

Second question of Fatwa No. 7353:

Q2: Why do some people curse Islam? What is the ruling on them especially if they are blood relatives; for instance a brother or a father? What is the ruling on the shrines of Ibrahim Al-Dusuqy, Al-Sayyid Al-Badawy, and Al-Husayn. Finally, what is the ruling on Masjids (mosques) that contain graves? Do they fall under the Hadith in which the Messenger (peace be upon him) said what means: (Let there be the curse of Allah upon the Jews and the Christians for they have taken the graves of their Prophets as places of worship.)?

A: First of all, cursing Islam is an act of serious Riddah (apostasy)

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if the person who curses claims to be a Muslim. If a person is aware that another person is committing this sin, it is his duty to forbid Munkar (that which is unacceptable or disapproved of by Islamic law and Muslims of sound intellect) and advise him for hopefully he may accept the advice, give up Munkar, and do Tawbah (repentance to Allah). This duty is more emphasized amongst one's relatives as the Prophet (peace be upon him) said: ("Whoever among you sees Munkar should rectify it with his hand; and if he has not strength enough to do it, then he should do it with his tongue; and if he has not strength enough to do it, (even) then he should (abhor it) from his heart, and that is the least of Faith.")

Second, it is not permissible to bury the dead in Masjids or to build graves under them. Moreover, it is not permissible to perform Salah (Prayer) in Masjids which are built over graves for the Prophet (peace be upon him) said: (Beware of those who preceded you and used to take the graves of their prophets and righteous men as places of worship, but you must not take graves as Masjids; I forbid you to do that.) (Related by Muslim in his Sahih "authentic" Book of Hadith).

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions.

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