



Fatwa no. (8879):

Q: What is the ruling on reading the book entitled "Dala'il Al-Khayrat" written by Imam Muhammad Ibn Sulayman Al-Jazuly which has daily Awwad (oft-recited evocations) that include Tawassul (supplicating to Allah through an intermediary) through the Prophet (peace be upon him) and asking for his Shafa'ah (intercession), such as, "O, Muhammad! Our beloved! We supplicate to Allah through you, so please intercede for us with Allah" and also, "O Allah! We ask You to accept his Shafa'ah, as he is the most eminent intermediary to you. We swear on You by his right, as he is the greatest one whose right can be sworn . We plead to You through him, as he is the nearest path to You and who is most noble, sublime.

A: If this book includes Tawassul with the Prophet (peace be upon him) and pleading Allah through him to achieve one's requests, it is impermissible for you to read it, as Allah stated, ﴿ [Say: "To Allāh belongs all intercession."](#) ﴾ (Surah Al-Zumar, 39: 44).

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Allah also stated, ﴿ [Who is he that can intercede with Him except with His Permission](#) ﴾ (Surah Al-Baqarah, 2: 255). He also says, ﴿ [Have they taken \(others\) as intercessors besides Allāh? Say: "Even if they have power over nothing whatever and have no intelligence?"](#) ﴾ (Surah Al-Zumar, 39: 43). ﴿ ﴾

Adherence to the Qur'an and the Adhkar (Remembrances of Allah) authentically reported from the Prophet is enough, so you need not read the Awwad in such books as "Dala'il Al-Khayrat". These Adhkar are numerous, and they can be found in books such as "Riyad Al-Salihin" and "Al-Adhkar Al-Nawawiyyah" by Imam Al-Nawawi , "Al-Kalim Al-Tayyib" by Ibn Taimiyyah , "Al-Wabil Al-Sayyib" by Ibn Al-Qayyim (may Allah be merciful with them all), and other books written by Ahl Al-Sunnah (those adhering to the Sunnah).

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

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