

## Eating the meat sacrificed by one who does not pray

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

**Question:** My father is a man who does not pray. He sacrifices for us on the Day of 'Eed. What is the ruling on this sacrifice when he slaughters or entrusts it to someone else?

**Shaykh Muqbil ibn Haadee al-Waadi'ee** (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ)<sup>1</sup>: If he slaughters then it is Haraam based upon the most correct of the statements of the people of knowledge. Because the one who abandons the prayer is considered a disbeliever due to the Hadeeth:

العَهْدُ الَّذِي بَيْنَنَا وَبَيْنَهُمُ الصَّلَاةُ ، فَمَنْ تَرَكَهَا فَقَدْ كَفَرَ

**"The covenant that is between us and them is the prayer; whoever abandons it then he has disbelieved."**

And the Hadeeth:

ليس بين العبد وبين الشرك والكفر إلا الصلاة

**"There is nothing between the slave Shirk and disbelief except the prayer."**

Na'am. Who reported the Hadeeth...? (After someone answers the Shaykh says:) Na'am, Muslim reported it. From the Hadeeth of whom? Huh? (After someone answers the Shaykh says:) From the Hadeeth of Jaabir. However, if other than him from those who pray were to slaughter then there is no harm (in eating it), insha'allaah.

<sup>1</sup> (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him