

## **All about Rajab – “The Sacred Month”**

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In the name of Allaah, Ar-Rahman, Ar-Raheem

- a) Rajab is one of the sacred months and it is forbidden to fight in this month unless it is necessary to defend. We are not supposed to transgress the boundaries of Allaah in this month.
- b) There is no proof to confirm that there is special reward for good deeds done in Rajab, neither there is anything to confirm there is extra punishment for sins done in Rajab.
- c) All the ahadith describing the virtues and rewards of fasting, praying, charity etc. done in Rajab are weak or fabricated and can't be depended upon.
- d) The celebration of 27th of Rajab as laylatul Me'raj is a bid'ah [innovation in the religion].
- e) Any deed done in any other months is allowed to be performed in Rajab. For example: fasting Mondays or Thursdays etc... As long as they are not done because it is Rajab.
- f) Any deed (big or small, obligatory or optional) if done because it is Rajab then it is a bid'ah. ex: someone says I will give charity in Rajab because it is Rajab! This will be an innovation. However, if someone says I am giving charity in Rajab because I can and I am not doing that because it is Rajab then it is permissible.
- g) The Prophet sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam and the sahabah never singled out to do any good deeds in Rajab because it is Rajab.
- h) It is reported in Musannaf Ibn Abee Shaybah with authentic isnad that some sahabah performed Umrah during Rajab but they didn't do this because it is Rajab!