

It is Wrong to Distribute Handbills such as Farmaan Mustafawi

Q: Imaan-96 : Some days ago I received a letter that bears neither my name nor address. It stated that someone saw a dream in which Rasulullaah SAW. told him to tell the Muslims to perform salaah and that Qiyaamah was imminent. It stated further that if I make copies of this letter and distribute to ten persons, I will receive tremendous benefit and if I do not, I will suffer much harm. It stated that a person who complied received fifteen thousand Rupees and another person who did not pay heed lost his son. How is it to entertain this belief? Also, what about the Farmaan Mustafawi handbills that are distributed? I have enclosed both the letter and the Farmaan Mustafawi handbill.

Answer: The Farmaan Mustafawi is a testament that is fictitious and fabricated. It is a plot of some enemy of Islaam to weaken the beliefs of the Muslims and to disillusion them about Islaam. When any of the prophesies stated in the testament does not take place (such as the appearance of Hadhrat Isa ALY. and Dajjaal in the year 1380 A.H.) it creates doubts in the minds of Muslims and causes them to lose confidence in the other prophesies that Rasulullaah SAW. made. In fact, it may ultimately cause them to even doubt whether Rasulullaah SAW. was Allaah's Nabi or not.

The common Muslim fails to realise this and they fall into the trap of fascinating mention of salaah, fasting, Taubah, etc that these leaflets speak about. They then copy, print and distribute large numbers of these letters throughout villages and cities, thereby aiding only in the destruction of wealth and Imaan. It is sinful and foolish to believe that the distribution of such letters will cause benefit or harm. Muslims need to stay away from such things. And Allaah knows best what is most correct.

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