Question 802) - Allaah says, "O you who believe, when the call is made for the salah of the Day of Jumu'ah hasten to Allaah's remembrance and leave trade."

A: Thus trade from the Azan of Jumu'ah until the end of the salah is prohibited. Rasulutlaah (S.A.W) has also forbidden Najash [to increase a bid and raise the price for others without intending to buy it oneself]; offering a highier price after the seller had already accepted the buyer's offer; and a city person going out and buying the crops of the farmers as they come to the city; and city-folk taking the goods of farmers and selling it for themselves.

NOTE: If someone owns two child slaves who are blood relations of each other, then he may not separate them in a sale by selling each to different masters. If one is a child and the other an adult it would be Makruh to separate them but the sale would be valid. If they are both adults then there is no harm in separating them.\*

\* Rasulullah (S.A.W) said, "He who separates a mother from her child, Allaah will separate him from his loved ones on the Day of Qiyamah."

Rasulullaah (S.A.W) gave 'Ali RADI. a gift of two small brothers. He asked, "What has happened to the brothers?" He said, "One is sold." Rasulullaah (S.A.W) said, "Join them. Join them."

This applies to relatives who cannot marry each other. Thus relatives who can marry or those who cannot marry but are not blood relatives are not included in this rule. Thus a cousin who is also a foster-brother would be included in the rule.

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