

Is there virtue in day of 'Arafat falling on Friday?

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In the Name of Allaah the most Kind the most Merciful

Question: Has anything come from the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) regarding the virtue of Hajj being on Friday?

Shaykh Ibn Uthaymeen (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ)¹: No. There has not come anything from the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) regarding the virtue of Friday coinciding with the Day of 'Arafat. However, the scholars say that if it coincides with Friday then it contains goodness:

Firstly: The Hajj will be like the Hajj of the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ); because the Messenger's standing at Arafat coincided with Friday.

Secondly: On Friday there is an hour wherein no Muslim slave catches it whilst standing in prayer and asking Allaah for anything except that He will give it to him. Therefore, this is better in terms of being responded to.

Thirdly: The Day of Arafat is an 'Eed and Friday is an 'Eed. So if two 'Eeds coincide then this contains goodness.

As for that which is widespread from the Hajj on Friday equalling seventy pilgrimages this is not authentic.²



 $^{^1}$ (رَحِمَهُ الله) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him

² Source: Silsilah Al-Liqaa' Ash-Shahree (no. 34)

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