

Living in the west with al-Wala' wal-Bara'

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Question: Are we sinful if we do not call the Kuffâr to Islâm while we are residing amongst them? In general, most of them know about Islâm however it is in an incorrect way.

Answer: Da'wah to Islâm is a tremendous virtue and it is the work of the Prophets and people of rectification. If you perform it then you have followed them and if you didn't, then you must at least manifest the Deen. Manifesting the Deen is not merely in you praying and fasting in front of them. On the contrary, you are to manifest your *Barâ'ah* [disavowal] toward them and their Deen and by hating them and their Deen due to the words of the Most High:

"Certainly, there is for you a good example in Ibrâhîm and those with him when they said to their people: "Verily we are free from you all and that which you worship besides Allah. We disbelieve in you. And there has appeared between you and us enmity and hatred forever until you believe in Allah alone."

Look here at his words: ***"From you all and that which you worship.."*** Hence, he began with *Barâ'ah* from them before their objects of worship. That is because there are some who declare their disavowal from their objects of worship while not declaring their disavowal from them. Look at his words: ***"We have disbelieved in you..."*** and not only disbelieving in their objects of worship. And [look] at his words: ***"and their has appeared..."***-meaning: manifested towards them. and [look] at his words: ***"Enmity and hatred..."*** so, he proceeded with enmity over hatred [mentioning it first]. That is because there are some who hate them but they do not oppose them with enmity. Therefore, whoever is mixing with them, then he must actualize this Millah of Ibrâhîm, otherwise, it is not allowed to reside among them.

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