



The third question from Fatwa no. (4160):

Q 3: What is the ruling on slaughtering an animal for guests even though Allah (may He be Exalted) says: ﴿ and that on which Allah's Name has not been mentioned while slaughtering, (that which has been slaughtered as a sacrifice for others than Allah) ﴾ ?

A: It is permissible to slaughter an animal for a guest and the name of Allah is mentioned upon slaughtering it and it is not included in the general saying of Allah (may He be Exalted): ﴿ and that on which Allah's Name has not been mentioned while slaughtering, (that which has been slaughtered as a sacrifice for others than Allah). ﴾ This is because the meaning in the Ayah (Qur`anic verse) refers to the fact that it was offered for other than Allah (may He be Exalted)

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like slaughtering for the dead and so on as a means of drawing close to them. However, slaughtering for guests aims at serving them generously; not at worshipping them, for the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) ordered Muslims to serve guests generously.

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family and companions!

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