



**Fatwa No. (10685 ):**

**Q2: What is the ruling on a person who claims to be Muslim by mouth only, saying: "I am a Muslim," while committing heretical and polytheistic actions. Is this person truly a Muslim? Is it permissible to eat from his or her slaughtered animals?**

**A2:** Whoever utters the two testimonies of faith believing in their significance and acting accordingly, is a believing Muslim. But whoever commits acts contradictory to their significance is a disbeliever even if he or she utters them, performs salah, and fasts. For example, if a person beseeches the dead for help or sacrifices for them out of reverence and glorification, his or her slaughter is forbidden for us to eat.

May Allah grant us success. Peace be upon our Prophet, his family, and Companions.

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