
Young woman not proposed to - is this punishment from Allaah

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

If a young woman is not proposed to, is this a sign of punishment from Allaah Azz awa Jal?

Question: My older sister and I have not been married yet, even though our female friends have married and have produced children. Is this from the Anger of Allaah upon us?

Shaykh Abdul-Azeez ibn Baaz (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ):¹

‘That is not necessarily the case, there could be other reasons other than sin. Our Lord, the Most-Wise and All-Knowing – Most Magnificent, Most High. He perhaps trials a person with other means other than sins.

Allaah Ta'aala says:

وَمَا أَصَابَكُمْ مِنْ مُصِيبَةٍ فِيمَا كَسَبْتُمْ أَيْدِيكُمْ وَيَعْفُو عَنْ كَثِيرٍ

[**And whatever of misfortune befalls you, it is because of what your hands have earned. And He pardons much.**]²

It could perhaps be other than sin, and perhaps it could be something else which a woman did that caused the cancellation of that need, and it perhaps could be sins and mistakes which she carried out which prevented her from her need.

There are many reasons, from them are sins and perhaps other reasons other than sins.

It is upon you both to ask Allaah and implore Him to make your matter easy and receive glad tidings. A person asks his Lord, in Sajdah, in prayer during the last part of the night, he asks his Lord and Allaah gives him what he loves of marriage and other matters.

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¹ (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah have mercy on him

² Soorah Shuraa: 42:30