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

Question: "He says: Is the Hajj of a person who commits acts of shirk and he doesn't know and the proof has not yet been established upon him valid?"

Shaykh Saalih bin Sa'd as-Suhaymee (May Allaah preserve him): "We can't say that his Hajj is valid because whosoever associates someone else with Allaah in worship is a mushrik; his action is an act of shirk and his ruling is that he is a mushrik. Thus he who offers sacrifices for other than Allaah, makes vows for other than Allaah or calls upon and seeks deliverance from other than Allaah is a mushrik, and his worship is not valid. What is left is: is he excused or not (for his ignorance)? We don't speak about this. We say that his affair lies with Allaah. Yes."

السائل: يقول: من يقوم بأفعال شركية و هو لا يدري ولم تقم عليه الحجة فهل يصح حجه؟

الشيخ صالح السحيمي: لا نستطيع أن نقول إنه يصح حجه لأن من أشرك مع الله غيره فهو مشرك و عمله شرك ويحكم عليه بأنه مشرك، فمن يذبح لغير الله أو ينذر لغير الله أو يدعو غير الله ويستغيث بغير الله فهو مشرك و لا تصح منه العبادة، بقى هل يعذر أو لا يعذر، لا نتكلم في هذا، نقول أمره إلى الله. نعم