

Ruling on giving a copy of the Qur'an with a translation to a kaafir

(English)

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Is it permissible to give for Da'wah to the non-Muslims a translation of the meanings of the Qur'aan which accompanies the original Arabic text as well?

Praise be to Allaah.

We put this question to Shaikh Muhammad ibn Saalih al-'Uthaymeen: what is the ruling on giving a kaafir a copy of the Qur'aan containing the text in Arabic and a translation and commentary amounting to half of the content?

He replied, may Allaah preserve him:

“What is known among the scholars is that it is not permissible to give a kaafir power over the Qur'aan (i.e., put it at his disposal), but if a kaafir is sincere in his desire to know more about the Qur'aan, a person can invite him to come to a library – either a public library or his own home library, where he can show him the Qur'aan.”

If you find a translation of the meanings of the Qur'aan without the Arabic text then there is nothing wrong with giving that to a kaafir. And Allaah knows best.