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Question

What is ray' of muftiyaan's about someone attending a *court* marriage ceremony for his Christian co worker?

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In the name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

Answer:

Allah has placed many Muslims to live in predominant non Muslim populated areas, there is every chance of intermingling between us and the non Muslim majority whether in business, school, commute, etc.

Islam does not prohibit us from befriending or communicating with non muslims as long as such friendship and communication does not alter or compromise our deen.

The Shariah mentions that all matters will be considered by its intended purpose. Therefore a Muslim attending a court marriage ceremony has no bearing in religion because this usually involves the agreement between spouses and the signing of documents and even if there is the taking of oaths, such oaths are taken using the new testament.

A Muslim witnessing such a ceremony has not committed any sin and it will be permissible due to there being no factor to make it impermissible.

Only Allah knows best

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¹ Qawaaid Fiqhiyya pg 12