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Question

Assalamualaikum. Would be grateful if you could help. Are three talaqs issued in one sitting considered as one or three? Can the couple get back together if they want?

Many scholars have differed opinions about this issue. So, which is which? Jazak Allahu Khayran

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

Answer:

Wa Alaikum Assalam.

With regards to a sensitive and personal topic such as Talaq we are to **Always consider** the minutest given details such as; specific words/phrases used, stipulated conditions attached to the granting of Talaq etc.

Let us consider the following facts in your circumstance before concluding with an answer;

1. The words "I give you 3 Talaq" were clearly and audibly pronounced.
2. The above occurred in the same place at the same time.
3. The husband was conscious of his decision.

Also keep in mind that the fatwa issued will be the preferred ruling according to the scholars of the Hanafi Mazhab.

The three Talaqs **would be considered as having taken** place in that **specific incident** but the husband will be guilty of issuing Talaq against the sunnat method taught to us by the prophet (s.a.w.).¹The sunnat method of Talaq is to pronounce only one Talaq in one “Tuhr” (when the woman is not in her menstrual cycle).If the husband wants to grant more than one, then he is allowed to grant one Talaq per Tuhr according to sunnat.In such a method, the husband is given enough time to reconcile and rethink his decision if necessary.²

There will be no possibility of the couple getting back together unless the now divorced wife marries someone else and that second marriage doesn't work out and she receives Talaq,then she can return to the first husband with a new nikaah.

Only Allah knows best

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¹ Badaai' Us Sanaai' pg.248,vol 4,Darul Hadeeth Cairo 2005 print

² Badaai' Us Sanaai' pg.242,vol 4,Darul Hadeeth Cairo 2005 print