120657 - He said to her, “Get in the car, I will divorce you”

the question

I am a short-tempered young man, and I do not know what I am saying when I get very angry, to such an extent that I feel as if I am not myself when I get angry. My wife was with me in the car and we argued, and she got out of the car and said to me, “Divorce me,” but she did not mean what she said, because she was upset. I said to her, “Get in the car, I will divorce you”, although I did not have the slightest intention of divorcing her. What is the ruling on this?.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

Your saying to your wife, “Get in the car, I will divorce you” is not regarded as a divorce, rather it is a promise of divorce, so divorce has not taken place.

You have to deal with the problem of being too angry, and beware of uttering the word of divorce in all situations, even if your wife asks for it. See the answer to question no. 658.

And Allaah knows best.