197972 - He committed homosexual acts with someone, and now his brother wants to marry the sister of that person. What is the ruling?

the question

Is it permissible for the brother of someone who committed homosexual acts to marry the sister of the man with whom he committed those acts, or is that haraam?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

Firstly:

Homosexuality is a grave major sin, because of which Allah destroyed the people of Loot and demolished their cities on top of them, turning them upside down, because of what their deeds involved of deviation and going against sound human nature.

Allah, may He be exalted, says (interpretation of the meaning):

“And (remember) Lout (Lot), when he said to his people: ‘"Do you commit the worst sin such as none preceding you has committed in the Alameen (mankind and jinns)?

‘Verily, you practise your lusts on men instead of women. Nay, but you are a people transgressing beyond bounds (by committing great sins).’

A nd the answer of his people was only that they said: "Drive them out of your town, these are indeed men who want to be pure (from sins)!’

Then We saved him and his family, except his wife; she was of those who remained behind (in the torment).

And We rained down on them a rain (of stones). Then see what was the end of the Mujrimoon

(criminals, polytheists, sinners, etc.)”

[al-A ‘raaf 7:80-84].

“So As-Saeehah (torment - awful cry, etc.) overtook them at the time of sunrise;

And We turned (the towns of Sodom in Palestine) upside down and rained down on them stones of baked clay.

Surely! In this are signs, for those who see (or understand or learn the lessons from the Signs of Allah).

And verily! They (the cities) were right on the highroad (from Makkah to Syria i.e. the place where the Dead Sea is now)”

[al-Hijr 15:72-76].

And there are other similar passages.

At-Tirmidhi (1456), Abu Dawood (4462) and Ibn Maajah (2561) narrated that Ibn ‘Abbaas (may Allah be pleased with him) said: The Messenger of Allah (blessings and peace of Allah be upon him) said: “Whoever you find doing the action of the people of Loot, execute the one who does it and the one to whom it is done.”

Clased as saheeh by al-Albaani in Saheeh at-Tirmidhi.

Ahmad (2195) narrated from Ibn ‘Abbaas (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Prophet of Allah (blessings and peace of Allah be upon him) said: “May Allah curse those who do the action of the people of Loot, may Allah curse those who do the action of the people of Loot,” three times.

Classed as hasan by Shu‘ayb al-Arna’oot in Tahqeeq al- Musnad.

Secondly:

It is permissible for the brother of the one who committed homosexual acts to marry the sister of

the one with whom he committed those acts, because he has nothing to do with his brother’s sins and, likewise, the sister has nothing to do with her brother’s sins. So there is no way that this could make the marriage prohibited.

And Allah knows best.