12729 - Giving blood to a kaafir who is not hostile towards Islam and who is not in a state of war with us

the question

What is the ruling about giving blood in land of Kufr that will be probably given to a Kaafir?

There is the case of children suffering from blood illness and they are in desperate need of blood platelets? Is the ruling the same?

I was told by an imaam that blood should not be given?

Can you please answer with daleel?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

Shaykh Ibn Baz (may Allah have mercy on him) was asked about that and he said:

“I do not know of any reason not to do that, because Allah says in His Book (interpretation of the meaning):

“Allah does not forbid you to deal justly and kindly with those who fought not against you on account of religion nor drove you out of your homes” [al-Mumtahanah 60:8]

So Allah tells us that He does not forbid us to deal justly and kindly with those kaafirs who are not fighting us and who have not driven us out of our homes, or with those who are in urgent need of help. The mother of Asmaa’ bint Abi Bakr al-Siddeeq (may Allah be pleased with her) came to her daughter in Madeenah, at the time of the peace treaty between the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and the people of Makkah, and she was still a kaafir, to ask her to uphold the ties of kinship. Asmaa’ consulted the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and he

told her to uphold the ties of kinship, saying, “Uphold the ties of kinship with your mother even though she is a kaafir.”

If a kaafir who has a peace treaty with the Muslims or is under the protection of the Muslims, and is not hostile towards Islam and is not in a state of war with us is in urgent need, then there is nothing wrong with giving blood to him. You will be rewarded for that, because there is nothing wrong with you helping one who is in urgent need of charity or help.

From Kitaab Fatawa Noor ‘ala al-Darb, vol. 1, p. 376

Based on the above, if the kaafir is hostile or in a state of war with the Muslims, then it is not permissible to give him blood, because by doing so you are helping him in his aggression against the Muslims. This is a very serious matter. We ask Allah to keep us safe and sound.