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the question

Is it permissible for me to go on leisure outings with my husband and children to places like parks, museums and exhibitions, without mixing or missing the prayers, knowing that by necessity I will uncover my face in these places. Is it permissible for us to accompany our children to beaches to swim, in spite of the immorality in these places and the prevalence of nakedness and permissiveness there? How should we respond to those who say that we are forbidden to enjoy that which Allaah has created, and that a person cannot lower their gaze to avoid seeing things that are forbidden by Allaah, because they are so widespread in these places?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

It is not permissible to go to places in which munkaraat (evil things) are widespread. There is sufficient enjoyment in the things which Allaah has permitted for us, and we have no need of that which He has forbidden to us.