Offering Funeral Prayers for a debtor

Sixth and eighth questions from Fatwa No. 9686

Q 6: Should we perform the Funeral Prayer for a Muslim who owes a debt?

A: If one dies as a debtor, we should hasten paying his debts. If we are not able to do so, one can guarantee paying these debts. But if this is not affordable before offering the Funeral Prayer, then we should perform the Funeral Prayer even if we have not paid his debt. The Sunnah of the Prophet (peace be upon him) is to perform the Funeral Prayer for Muslims

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even if they are debtors.

Q 8: Should the corpse of a young boy be washed before burying him?

A: The corpse of a young boy has to be washed and shrouded and we should also perform the Funeral Prayer for him before burying him, as with adults.

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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