



3332 - What is the proper way to erase forbidden images?

the question

The Prophet ordered that all images be destroyed.

Is it sufficient to erase just the eyes, or the face, or the head ?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

The image is the face, which must be erased so that the image disappears, because the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) forbade striking the “image”. (Narrated by al-Bukhaari).

The meaning is that it is forbidden to strike the face, as was explained in other ahaadeeth. The fact that “image” means the face means that the facial features must be erased. And Allaah knows best.