

## Good Deeds Extinguish Evil Deeds

إِنَّ الْحَسَنَاتِ يُذْهِبْنَ السَّيِّئَاتِ

﴿ الْحَسَنَاتِ ﴾

[Good deeds] Comes in the Quran 3 times and every time it is written without an alif.

It is normally written حَسَنَاتٍ

﴿ السَّيِّئَاتِ ﴾

[Evil deeds] Comes in the Quran 36 times and every time it retains its alif.

The omission of the alif in the word ﴿ الْحَسَنَاتِ ﴾ shows that even though ones good deeds may be small in number they are attached to that person, close to them, and don't separate from him.

As for the word ﴿ السَّيِّئَاتِ ﴾ the fact that it retains its alif shows us that the possibility of this evil deed leaving the person because the person can repent. If the repentance is accepted ALLAH will change the evil deeds into good ones. Also, following a bad deed up with a good deed will wipe out the former and extinguish it as water extinguishes fire. No doubt a small amount of good deeds can erase and wipe out a large amount of evil deeds. Also, even one good deed can be multiplied to a number that is beyond our comprehension.

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