128158 - How to separate children in their beds

the question

We hope that you can explain how to separate children in their beds, as is mentioned in the hadeeth of the Messenger (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him). Does it mean separating boys and girls, or separating boys from one another and girls from one another? Does it mean giving each of them a separate bed or should each one have a separate room?.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

The hadeeth is general in meaning and includes both boys and girls. Separating means giving each boy and each girl a separate bed, even if they are in the same room, because one being with another in the same bed may be a means that leads to immorality. May Allaah help us all to do all that is good. End quote.