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[Authentic hadith] [Narrated by Bukhari]

This Hadīth is about the story of Māʻiz (may Allah be pleased with him) who went to the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) to confess that he had committed adultery. Initially, the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) wanted to verify his sanity, the validity of his confession, and whether or not he precisely understood what adultery meant. This was because he might have committed some introductory acts of adultery that would not amount to the crime of adultery itself, but thought that such acts were considered adultery. Therefore, the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) first asked him about kissing, winking and the like. When the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) verified that Māʻiz knew what real adultery was, he ordered him to be stoned to death after verifying the validity of his confession.

