

Hadrot Shaykh Muhammad Mehmet Adll al-Hakkani

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THE PRAYER OFFERED ON TIME

Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuh, Auzu Billahi Minashaytanir Rajeem. Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem, Wassalatu Wassalamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidul Awwalin wal Akhirin, Madad Ya Rasulallah, Madad Ya As'habi RasuLillah, Madad Ya Mashayikhina, Sheykh Abdullah Daghestani, Sheykh Nazim al-Haqqani. Dastur. Tariqatunas sohba, wal khayru fil jamiyya.

Allah Azza wa Jalla sent a blessing to us Muslims, in fact to all humans. However people do not recognize the value of the blessing¹. Thank Allah Azza wa Jalla that He created us Muslim. Let us be thankful for the blessings he gave us.

One of those blessings is prayer (namaz/salaa). Namaz is good and has many benefits. It is a great blessing given for our own good. But nobody knows its worth. People find praying very difficult. Most of the time people leave prayer and become droppers of prayer. Later, if Allah gives them guidance, they try to make up for these.

Of course Allah (JJ) assigned a separate reward for praying in a group, with the congregation². Prayer has a call to prayer³. There is praying the sunnat⁴, doing the tasbihat⁵, and performing the fard⁶ in a beautiful way. Then there is also praying with laziness. Or there are those whom Allah has not granted and they have never prayed since the start. If Allah gives them guidance later, they try to make up their prayers. Of course, the prayer performed later apparently is not even one in a thousand of the virtue⁷ of the prayer performed on time with its sunnats and manners⁸. So leaving a prayer for make up and praying it means leaving so much reward and virtue.

Let us assume they prayed it and made up for it, but there is no make up for the sunnats, they have have missed it already. If you want to pray the sunnat later, it does not count as sunnat, it counts as nafila⁹ namaz. The sunnat has a few types too, like the sunnat muakkada¹⁰ and ghayri-muakkada¹¹. The sunnat of Morning (Sabah) prayer, the first and last sunnat of Noon (Zuhr) prayer, the last sunnat of Night (Maghrib) prayer, and the last sunnat of Evening (Isha) prayer: these are all sunna muakkada, you have to pray them.

Then there are other sunnats. For example, to pray the last sunnat of Noon prayer two rakats is confirmed. We pray this as four rakats, this is unconfirmed. The first sunna of Afternoon (Asr) prayer and the first sunna of Evening prayer are unconfirmed, meaning they are unconfirmed sunnats. But even if these prayers are unconfirmed, they have a much higher rating than the nafila.

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That is why people should not take prayer lightly, should not take the sunnats lightly. The fard can be made up like this or like that, but the sunnat has no make up. If you have already missed it, you have missed a great prize.

You might pray it here and there or you might not. We are saying this so that you may gain more rewards, gain more virtues. We recommend this to people who want their hereafter built more. If there are people who do not pray at all, to them we recommend two rakats a day so they may start praying. It is two rakats a day until they get used to it. Once they get used to it, Allah willing those people will also pray the namaz they did not pray and make up the rest.

Namaz is the worship our Holy Prophet (SAW) called "the light of my eyes". Those who do it would benefit their world. The dua¹² of those who do not do it are not accepted. Shaykh Mawlana (QS) used to say even if a dua is made for them, it would not be accepted. Even if a wali¹³ makes dua for those who do not pray, it would not be accepted. Shaykh Mawlana would say, "I am making dua for you, you should also at least pray two rakats a day."

May Allah (JJ) make it easy for us to perform this worship Inshallah. May Allah Azza wa Jalla save us from laziness Inshallah.

Wa Minalllah at-Tawfeeq.

Al-Fatiha.

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Adab 9. Supererogatory 10. Confirmed 11. Unconfirmed 12. Supplication 13. Saint

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