

Different types of prayers in islam and their importance assignment

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Different types of prayers in islam and their importance Fardh is an Arabic word, which means compulsory or obligatory. The Five daily prayer i. e. , Fajr, Dhuhur, ' Asr, Maghrib and ' Isha are obligatory prayers. It is a sin to intentionally skip a Fardh Prayer. If a prayer is missed because of forgetfulness or due to some unavoidable circumstances, then offering the missed Prayer as soon as possible will rectify this mistake. The Holy Prophet, peace be upon him, offered extra Raka'at of Prayer in addition to those of Fardh Prayers.

These are called Sunnah Prayers. It is considered necessary by all jurists to offer these prayers. The willful neglect of Sunnah Prayers is censurable in the sight of Allah. Wajib prayers are necessary and willful neglect is considered sinful. However, if someone misses any of these due to unavoidable circumstances, Qadha (make-up of missed prayer) is not required. Nawafil plural form of an Arabic word Nafil which means voluntary or optional prayer. One may offer as many Nawafil Prayers as one wish.

However, Nawafil should not be offered during the forbidden times for Prayers. Nawafil should not be offered between ' Asr and Maghrib Prayer. It is preferable to offer Nawafil Prayers at home rather than in a mosque.

However, it is matter of personal choice and there is no compulsion in this matter. Some virtues stated too.. Ibn Salmaan says that he heard one of the companions of the Prophet Mohammad (Sallallahu Alaihe Wasallam) narrating, " When we had won the battle of Khaibar, we began to buy and sell among ourselves the booty that had fallen to our lot.

One of us went to Prophet Mohammad (Sallallahu Alaihe Wasallam) and said, ' O Apostle of Allah , no one else has earned so much profit as I have obtained in today's trade. ' ' How much did you earn ? asked the Prophet Mohammad (Sallallahu Alaihe Wasallam) . He replied, ' I kept on selling and buying till I earned a net profit of three hundred ' Ooqiyyah' of silver. ' The Prophet Mohammad (Sallallahu Alaihe Wasallam) said: " shall I inform you of something better than that ? " He exclaimed, " Do tell me, O Prophet of Allah ! The Prophet Mohammad (Sallallahu Alaihe Wasallam) remarked " Two rakaats nafl after (fardh) salaah. " The Prophet Mohammad (Sallallahu Alaihe Wasallam) once deputed in Jihaad a Jamaat towards Najd. They returned victorious very soon with a handsome booty. When the Prophet Mohammad (Sallallahu Alaihe Wasallam) saw the people envying them and wondering at their quick and lucrative return, he said to them, " Shall I inform you of a group of people who earn much more in a much shorter time ?

They are those who perform their Fajr with Jamaat and keep sitting after prayer till a little while after sunrise and then offer two rakaats of salaah. " According to Shaqeeq Balkhi, a very famous Shaikh, five things could be acquired through five channels; ??? an increase in provisions through ' Chaasht' ??? a light in the grave through Tahajjud, ??? a very satisfactory answer to Munkar and Nakeer through fasting and alms, and ??? room under the shade of Allah ' s Throne on the Day of Judgment through seclusion (i. e. Zikr).