Lesson 24

Topic: salah

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Salah is the pillar of the religion.

"If it is accepted [all] other deeds are accepted, and if rejected [all] other deeds are rejected"

"If there was a river close to your house and you washed in it five times a day... The example of salah is like that of the river; whenever one prays, one's sins are explated."

"He is not of me, who treats his salah without due consideration"

"لا ينالُ شفاعتى مَن استخفَّ بالصلاة"

"Whoever treats his salah without due consideration will not attain my intercession."

The Daily Obligatory Salah

... are five:

- 1. The Duhr (noon) salah; which is four rak'ah,
- 2. The 'Asr (afternoon) salah; four rak'ah,

3. The Maghrib (after sunset) salah; three rak'ah,

4. The 'Esha' (evening) salah; four rak'ah,

5. The Sobh (morning) salah; two rak'ah.

Preliminaries of the Daily Salah 1. The Times of Salah

The Times of Duhr and 'Asr Salah

The Specific Time

The specific time of the Duhr salah is from the onset of noontime until such time that is required to perform the Duhr salah

If due to negligence one performs the 'Asr salah during this time, his salah would be batil (void).

As for the specific time for the 'Asr salah, it is the required time to perform the 'Asr salah before the sun sets.

The Common Time

The common time for the Duhr and 'Asr salah is the time between the specific time of the Duhr salah and the specific time for the 'Asr salah

If one were to perform the 'Asr salah in its entirety before the Duhr in negligence during this time, his salah would be valid and considered as 'Asr, and he must perform the Duhr salah after that.