



Sharayi' al-Islam (Salat)

Lesson 1

The Number of the Prayers

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The Chapter of Prayer

To have full knowledge of *salah*, it is necessary to demonstrate four pillars:

First: The Preliminaries of *Salah*

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The (Nine) Obligatory Prayers

- 1) The Daily Prayers
- 2) The Friday prayer
- 3) The prayer of the two *eids* (*Fiṭr* and *Aḍha*)
- 4) The Prayer of the eclipses (solar and lunar)
- 5) The prayer of earthquake
- 6) The *Ayat* prayer
- 7) The prayer of *tawaf* (circumambulation around *Ka'bah*)
- 8) The prayer over the dead
- 9) The prayer of vow (نذر) and alike

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✚ All the prayers (established by the Holy Prophet and his progeny) other than the obligatory ones are *mustahabb* (recommended).



✚ The Daily Prayers

- ✚ The daily prayers are five, consisted of seventeen *raka'at* (plural of 'رَكْعَةٌ') in the hometown; two *rak'ahs* for the *fajr* prayer, three for the *maghrib*, and four for each of the other three. These last three ones would have two *rak'ahs* when travelling.

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