Topic: Ghusl

Categories of Personal Spiritual Taharah

- 1. Wodu'
- 2. Ghusl
- 3. Tayammum

Tartibi or Sequential Ghusl

Procedure

In the *Tartibi* or Sequential *ghusl*, after making the *niyyah* (intention) of the *ghusl*, it is required to wash the head and neck first, then the right half of the body, and then the left half of the body.

Obligatory Ghusls

- 1. Ghusl of Janabah
- 2. *Ghusl* of touching a corpse
- 3. *Ghusl* of the corpse
- 4. Ghusl of Nadhr, pledge, covenant, etc.
- 5. *Ghusl* of *Hayd* (menstruation)
- 6. Ghusl of Nifas
- 7. Ghusl of Istihadah (undue menses)

1. Ghusl of Janabah

The state of *Janabah* results from two issues:

- a) Sexual intercourse whether or not using condoms and suchlike.
- b) Discharge of semen regardless of when asleep or awake, a small or large amount, with lust or without, voluntarily or involuntarily.

Prohibited Issues for *Jonob*

One who is in a state of *Janabah* is referred to as *Jonob*. *Five* acts are forbidden for a *Jonob*:

- i. Touching the script of the Noble Qur'an, or the name of Almighty Allah with any part of the body.
- ii. Entering Masjid al-Haram and *Masjid al-Nab*iy peace be upon him and his pure family or even passing through them.
- iii. Stopping and staying in other mosques, and the shrines of the *Ma'soom* Imams peace be upon them.
- iv. Entering a mosque with the intention of placing something in it.
- v. Reading the Sajdah ayah from the 'Aza'im Surahs, (The 'Aza'im Surahs (chapters) are those that contain verses (ayat) for the reading or listening of which sujood or prostration is obligatory).

'Aza'im Surahs are four surahs:

- 1. Surah al-Sajdah (Prostration), #32,
- 2. Surah Fussilat (Explained), #41,
- 3. *Surah al-Najm* (Star), #53,
- 4. Surah al-'Alaq (Clot), #96.
- ♣ The Janabah ghusl is mostahab in itself, obligatory for the mandatory salah and suchlike.
- ♣ Janabah ghusl replaces wodu'

2. Ghusl of touching the corpse

If one touches a dead person's corpse that has gone cold and has not yet been washed [the ghusl of the corpse] with any part of one's body, it is obligatory for him to perform the ghusl of "touching the corpse".

3. Ghusl of the corpse

4. Ghusl of Nadhr, pledge, covenant, etc.

5. Ghusl of the three bloods

These bloods are:

The 'three bloods' are the bloods that are discharged from a woman's womb.

- 1. *Hayd* (menstruation)
- 2. *Istihadah* (undue menses)
- 3. *Nifas* (childbirth)

At the end of her hayd cycle, it is mandatory for a woman to perform a *ghusl* for the *salah* and her other acts of worship that necessitates *wodu'*, *ghusl* or *tayammum*.

- ♣ All the criteria cited for the validity of the *wodu*', such as the water being *tahir*, and permissible for use, etc., are required for ghusl too, however, in ghusl it is not required to wash [in the specific direction] from top to bottom, and also in the sequential ghusl it is not required to wash the following [part] immediately after the previous.
- ♣ It is permissible for someone who is required to perform a number of ghusls
 to perform one ghusl with the intention of all of them.

Prohibitions for the Ha'id

A number of matters are prohibited for the Ha'id:

- 1. The acts of worship that require *wodu'*, *ghusl*, or *tayammum* are prohibited.
- ♣ The Ha'id is not obliged to perform the qada' of the salah she misses during the hayd period. However, it is mandatory for her to perform the qada' of fasting for the days she missed.
- 2. All the issues that are prohibited for someone who is in the state of *janabah*.

3. Vaginal intercourse. Anal intercourse is also prohibited with the *Ha'id*. However, other forms of courting, kissing, fondling, and suchlike are permissible.