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Lesson 24

Conditions of Ghusl al-Janabah

Types of Ghusl

1. Al-Ghusl al-Tartibi (sequential ritual bathing)
2. Al-Ghusl al-Irtimasi (immersive ritual bathing)

✚ Ghusl is an act of worship that requires the intention of *Qurbatan ilallah* (seeking nearness to Allah) and one must know which Ghusl he is performing. Without the intention, Ghusl will be deemed invalid.

✚ For women, while performing Ghusl, it is not necessary to wash the hair that is over the shoulders or the hair-extensions. Only the hair which is immediately connected to the head must be washed.

✚ Contrary to Wudhu, it is not necessary to wash the body in a specific direction while performing Ghusl.

✚ For Ghusl, it is not necessary to rub the body while water runs over it, but if someone's body is hairy and it prevents water from reaching the skin or the entire body, it is necessary for him to rub that part to ensure that the water reaches under it.

✚ While washing the right side of the body and then the left side of the body, the private parts must be washed fully both times.

Two types of Ignorance (Jahl)

1. Al-Jahl al-Taqsiri



2. Al-Jahl al-Qusoori

- ✚ Al-Jahl al-Taqsiri – Culpable Ignorance; due to negligence. Such ignorance is not excused.
- ✚ According to some scholars, if someone did not observe sequence in Ghusl due to negligence, their previous Ghusl are invalid and consequently, they must repeat their prayers.
- ✚ Al-Jahl al-Qusoori – Such ignorance is excused because it was either due to misinformation or misunderstanding of the Fatwa.
- ✚ Your intention (Niyyah) would be considered valid if you are aware of what you are doing, such that if someone asks you, you can immediately tell him about the act.
- ✚ The scholars who believe that sequence should be maintained for Ghusl either prove their argument through the consensus of early scholars or the Hadith regarding Ghusl al-Mayyit, but both these proofs are not acceptable to the author.
- ✚ Muwalaat or washing one body part after the other without significant delay, is not a condition for Ghusl.
- ✚ Al-Ghusl al-Irtimasi: It is the type of Ghusl in which one submerges himself in water after making the intention of Ghusl.
- ✚ In Ghusl al-Irtimasi, one does not have to rub his body or wipe his hand all over the body. It is sufficient for him to fully submerge himself in the water.
- ✚ While doing Ghusl al-Janabah, if someone does an act that invalidates the Ghusl (like urination), he must complete his Ghusl and then as an obligatory precaution, also perform a Wudu.
- ✚ It is forbidden to do Wudhu after performing Ghusl al-Janabah.



- ✚ It is necessary to purify the body (of impurities like blood, semen, etc.) before/while performing Ghusl al-Janabah.
- ✚ If we suspect that there is something on our body that might prevent water from reaching the skin, we must inspect and ensure that water is reaching the skin. If we don't, our Ghusl will be considered invalid.
- ✚ While performing Ghusl, if a person doubts whether he has washed the previous body part or not, he must wash the previous part. This is not necessary in the opinion of those scholars who accept the Law of Exceeding (قاعدة التجاوز) in Ghusl also.
- ✚ If someone finished the Ghusl and then doubts whether he performed the Ghusl correctly or not, in this case, the Law of Completion will apply and his Ghusl will be deemed correct.
- ✚ If someone doubts whether he did Ghusl or not after offering the Zuhr prayer, his Zuhr prayer will be correct based on the Law of Completion and he must do Ghusl again for the next prayer.
- ✚ The Zuhr prayer in the previous case will be valid only until the person does not visit the bathroom after the prayer, because if he does, the Law of Completion will not be applicable and he must offer the Zuhr prayer again.
- ✚ When someone is performing an obligatory Ghusl, like Ghusl al-Janabah, he can combine the intention of as many Ghusls he wants. For example, one can perform Ghusl al-Janabah + Jumu'ah + Ghadir + Taubah + Ziyarah of Imam Husain (as), all in one.