



## *Sharayi' al-Islam (Salat)*

### Lesson 3

#### The Times of Prayers

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The **specific time** of the *zuhr* prayer extends from the moment the sun crosses the meridian up to the time required to perform it and the specific time for the '*asr* prayer is the time required to perform it (four *rak'ahs*) just before the sunset. The time in between is the **common time** for the two *salats*.

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The **specific time** for the *maghrib* prayer extends from sunset until the time required to perform it (three *rak'ahs*). The specific period of the '*isha* prayer is the time required to perform it before midnight. The time between these two specific times is the **common time**.

The time for the *fajr* prayer begins with the **second fajr** (widely spread brightness of the daybreak in the horizon) and lasts **until sunrise**.

Points:

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✚ The *zawal* (the inclination of the sun away from the center of the sky) is known **when the shadows start extending** after getting short.

✚ *Maghrib* (sunset) is known by the **disappearance of the disc** of the sun. However, the **most famous opinion** is that *maghrib* is **when the redness disappears from the eastern horizon**.