



Sharayi' al-Islam (Salat)

Lesson 27

Acts of *Salah/Qira'ah*

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Obligatory Acts of *Salah*

1. *Niyah*
2. *Takbirat al-Ihram*
3. *Qiyam*
4. *Qira'ah*

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Qira'ah

Qira'ah is *wajib* and it means that **reciting *Surat al-Fatihah*** is necessary in every two-*rak'ah* prayer, and in the first two *rak'ahs* of every four-*rak'ah* and three-*rak'ah* prayer.

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Points:

✚ *Salat* is invalid when any error is made in the *qira'ah* intentionally, even in a single letter or in the *tashdid* or in the parsing (*I'rab*).

✚ Reciting the **translation** of *Surat al-Fatihah* into any other tongue **does not suffice**.

✚ **The order of its words and verses** should be observed in the way it is reported. If one reverses the order out of forgetfulness he must repeat the *qira'ah* unless he has performed the *ruku'*. **If he has already made the *ruku'*, he may continue his *salat*.**

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✚ The person who is unable to recite *Surat al-Fatihah* correctly is **required to learn it**.



✚ **The dumb has to move his tongue** making a gesture of recitation, with passing it through his mind.

✚ The *musalli* has **an option between reciting *Surat al-Fatihah* and saying the *tasbih* (سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ وَلَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ) in the last two *rak'ahs*** of four-

✚ *rak'ah* prayers. However, it is better for the imam to recite the surah.

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