

Prayer Service In Islam

"OBSERVE prayers in the early morning, at the close of the day, and at the approach of the night. Prayers are good deeds which drive away the evil doing." (Qur-an 11:116).

"Glorify Allah (by rendering prayers to Him) when it is evening and in the morning — praise be to Him in the heavens and the earth — and in the afternoon and at noontide" (30:17).

"Put up then with what they say; and celebrate the praise of your Lord before sunrise, and before sun setting, and during the night do thou praise Him, and in the extreme of the day, so that thou mayest be well-pleased" (20:130).

"OBSERVE prayers at sunset until the first darkening of the night and observe reading (the Qur-an) at day-break. Lo! the recital of the Qur-an (that is rendering prayer) is ever witnessed. And some part of the night awake for it, a largess for thee. It may be that your Lord will raise thee to a praised state" (17:78-79).

"Take aid by observing patience and prayer" (2:45).

"When you have fulfilled your prayer, remember Allah, standing and sitting and lying on your sides. And when you are in safety then be steadfast in prayer. Verily prayer is a timed ordinance on the believers" (4:103).

"That which leads man to infidelity is neglect of prayers."

"NO ONE of you must say his prayers in a garment without covering the whole body."

"Allah accepts not the prayers of a woman arrived at puberty unless she covers her head as well as the whole body."

"The five stated prayers erase the sins which have been committed during the intervals between them, if they have not been mortal sins."

"The prayers of a person will not be accepted, who has broken his ablution until he completes another abolution."

"ORDER your children to say the stated prayers when they are seven years of age, and beat them if they do not do so when they are ten years old."

"Tell me if any one of you had a rivulet before his doors and bathed five times a day therein whether any dirt would remain on his body? The companions said, 'Nothing would remain.' The Prophet said, 'In this manner will the five daily prayers as ordered by Allah erase all minor sins.'"

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