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Basic Teachings of Islam

Salah – Prayer

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Wajibaat of Prayer

- **Wajibaat (Essential actions)**
- The omission of a Waajib does not invalidate the prayer as long as Sajdah Sahv before Salaam is performed.
- If Sajdah Sahv is not performed intentionally the prayer must be repeated.
- If he doesn't repeat the prayer it is still valid but sinful.

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- **How to perform Sajda Sahv**
- While sitting in the last Tasha-hud, complete the Tasha-hud.
- Do salam to your right (Turn your face to your right while saying 'Assalam-u-Alaikum Wa Rahmatu-Allah')
- Then prostrate twice.
- After second prostrate, sit back in Tasha-hud and complete the prayer (read Tasha-hud, Darood shareef, Dua and then do salam to both sides)

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- The recitation of Al-Fatiha with another Surah in the first two units of Fard (Prayers) and in all the units of Waajib, Sunnah and Nawafil.
- Fatiha should be read before the Surah and it is permissible that one may read smaller Surah or three short verses or one long verse equivalent to them.

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- To sit and read the first Tashah-hud in prayers of three or four units.
- As soon as the Tashah-hud is finished one must stand up for the third unit.
- If this is delayed after completing the Tashah-hud such that one reads the blessings on the Holy Prophet up to (Allahumma sallay 'ala Muhammadin) unintentionally, then he must perform the Sajdah Sahv.
- But it is permissible to read the blessings on the Holy Prophet in Sunnah Ghair Mu'akkadah and Nawafil prayers.

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- To read the Tashah-hud in the last sitting.
- Ending the prayer with the words of Salaam on both sides.
- In the third unit of Witr Prayer it is Waajib to say the Takbeer after reading the Fatiha and the Surah and then to read the Du'a (Al-Qunoot).

Wajibaat of Prayer

- It is Waajib for the Imam to read aloud the Fatiha and the Surah in Fajr, Maghrib and Isha Prayer as well as in Jumu'ah, Eid, Taraaweeh and Witr Prayer (in Ramadan only).
- Apart from Witr prayer in Ramadan, Imam only reads Quran aloud in the first two units of the prayer.
- As for the individual he is free to choose between reading aloud or in his heart but it is better for him to read aloud where the Imam reads loudly and read in heart where the Imam reads in heart.