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Year 10

The Salah of Our Prophet @ & Our Lack of Khushu



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- To describe the salah and khushu of the Messenger
- To examine why we lack khushu
- To reflect on the healing power of salah

Our Beloved



[A] Can you recall incidents from the sirah which give us a glimpse into the salah and khushu of the Messenger ?



The Most Amazing Thing

'Aṭā' entered with 'Ubayd b. 'Umayr upon 'Ā'ishah (raḍiy Allāhu 'anhā)

Ibn 'Umayr asked 'Ā'ishah to tell them about the most amazing thing which she had witnessed from the Messenger of Allah .

How do you think she replied?

Hadith of Hudhayfah



[A] What can we learn from this detailed account?

The Salah of the Prophet

- His utmost comfort and joy was in salah. He LOVED salah.
- Highest level of khushu any human being can have.
- When standing up to pray, the Prophet's head would be lowered. In sajdah, he would separate his arms from his body so widely that the whiteness of his armpits was visible. In the final tashahhud, his blessed gaze would not go beyond the finger he was pointing with. What are all of these an embodiment of?
- Long long salah, especially in private.
- Even his public prayer: he would stand for so long after rukū' that his Companions & would think he had forgotten.
- He would weep and cry.



"There wasn't a horseman amongst us on the day of Badr except for Miqdad a. I observed that all of us were sleeping except the Messenger of Allah who was under a tree, praying and crying until the morning."

- 'Ali b. Abī Ṭālib 🍭

Our lack of khushu

[A] Why do we lack and struggle so much with khushu?



Keywords

Hedonism: **pleasure** (in the sense of the satisfaction of desires) is the highest good and proper aim of human life

Apathy: lack of interest, or the attitude of not caring

Materialism: the belief that having **money and possessions** is the most important thing in life 66

"If you don't find sweetness and joy in the deed you perform, then doubt its sincerity, for Allah is Shakūr (Most Appreciative and Rewarding)."

- Ibn Taymiyyah (raḥimahullāh)

My Adhkar Bank

<u>Istiftah</u>

ٱلْحَمْدُ لِلهِ حَمْدًا كَثِيْرًا طَيِّبًا مُّبَارَكًا فِيْهِ.

All praise is for Allah; an abundant, sincere and blessed praise (Muslim).

Anas & narrated that a man came panting and joined the row (of congregants in ṣalāh), and then uttered [the above]. When the Messenger of Allah & finished his ṣalāh, he said, "...I saw twelve angels competing with each other to ascend with it." (Muslim).

Between the two sajdahs

ٱللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِيْ ، وَارْحَمْنِيْ ، وَعَافِنِيْ ، وَاهْدِنِيْ ، وَارْزُقْنِيْ.

O Allah, forgive me, have mercy on me, grant me wellbeing, guide me and grant me sustenance (Abū Dāwūd).

Salah & Mental Health

[A] Write 2:45

وَٱسْتَعِينُواْ بِٱلصَّبْرِ وَٱلصَّلَوٰة وَإِنَّهَا لَكَبِيرَةٌ إِلَّا عَلَى ٱلْخَشِعِينَ ﴿٤٤ ﴾ ٱلَّذِينَ يَظُنُّونَ أَنَّهُم مُّلَقُواْ رَبِّمْ وَأَنَّهُمْ إِلَيْهِ رَجِعُونَ ﴿٤٦ ﴾

The healing power of salah

أرحْنَا بِالصَّلَاة



[A]

Imagine you are a young child who was fortunate to have witnessed the Prophet praying. Many years later, you are describing the salāh of the Prophet to your grandchildren.

How would you describe his salāh?



Come up with 5 questions designed to test someone's knowledge of what we have learnt today.

Practising What We're Learning

Let us pray_____with the highest level of khushu we can, with the help of Allah