

Lesson 42: Mubtil Doubts that Invalidate the Prayer

Eight kinds of doubts are such that if they occur then the Prayer is rendered invalid. The prayer has to be offered again.

1. Doubt about the number of *rak'ats* in a two *rak'at* prayer like Fajr, or *qasr* of Zuhr, Asr and 'Isha.
2. Doubt about the number of *rak'ats* in a three *rak'at* prayer i.e. Maghrib.
3. Doubt during a four *rak'at* prayer whether it was the first, the second or the third *rak'at*.
4. Doubt during a four *rak'at* prayer before finishing the *dhikr* of the second *sajdah* whether it was the second or the third *rak'at*.
5. Doubt during a four *rak'at* prayer whether it was the second, the fifth or a higher *rak'at*.
6. Doubt during a four *rak'at* prayer whether it was the third, the sixth or a higher *rak'at*.
7. Doubt during a four *rak'at* prayer whether it was the fourth, the sixth or a higher *rak'at*.
8. To forget in a four *rak'at* prayer the number of *rak'ats* already prayed.

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