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Importance of Prayer-Times

21. How and When?

.قَالَ أَبُو عَبْدِ اللَّهِ الصَّادِقُ (ع): إِذَا صلَّيْتَ صَلاةً فَرِيضَةً فَصلِّهَا لِوَقْتِهَا صَلاَةً مُوَدّع تَخَافُ أَنْ لاَ تَعُودَ إِلَيْهَا

Imam As–Sadiq (peace be upon him) has said: "When you offer an obligatory prayer, offer it at its stipulated time in a manner as if it is your last prayer and you fear you shall never get a chance to offer any prayer again."

Al-Mahajjatul Baidha, Volume 1, Page 350

22. Importance of the Times of Prayers

قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ (ص): قَالَ اللَّهُ عَزَّ وَ جَلَّ: إِنَّ لِعَبْدِي عَلَيَّ عَهْداً إِنْ أَقَامَ الصَّلَاةَ لِوَقْتِهَا أَنْ لاَ أُعَذَبَهُ وَ أَنْ أَدْخُلَهُ الْجَنَّةَ بِغَيرِ حِسَابِ

The Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him and his progeny) has reported that Allah, the Mighty, the Glorious has said: "I have a covenant with My servant that if he offers his prayers at their stipulated times, I shall not chastise him and shall place him in Paradise without any reckoning."

Kanzul `Ummal, Volume 7, Tradition 19036

23. The Noble Prophet and Prayers

.قَالَتْ عَائِشَةُ: كَانَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ (ص) يُحَدِّثْنَا وَ نُحَدِّثُهُ فَإِذَا حَضَرَتِ الصَّلاَةُ فَكَأَنَّهُ لَمْ يَعْرِفْنَا وَ لَمْ نَعْرِفْهُ

`Aishah narrates: "We would be engaged in conversation with the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon

him and his progeny), but with the arrival of the time of prayers it would appear as if he neither knew us nor we knew him."

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24. Prayers at their Times

قَالَ الصَّادِقُ (ع): إِنَّ الْعَبْدَ إِذَا صَلَّى الصَّلَاةَ فِي وَقْتِهَا وَ حَافَظَ عَلَيْهَا ارْتَفَعَتْ بَيْضَاءَ نَقِيَّةً تَقُولُ حَفِظْتَنِي حَفِظُكَ اللَّهُ وَ إِذَا لَمْ يُصَلِّهَا لِوَقْتِهَا وَ لَمْ يُحَافِظْ عَلَيْهَا ارْتَفَعَتْ سَوْدَاءَ مُظْلِمَةً تَقُولُ ضَيَّعْتَنِي ضَيَّعَكَ اللَّهُ.

Imam As–Sadiq (peace be upon him) has said: "When a person maintains his prayer and offers it at its stipulated time, it ascends in the form of a pure white light and calls out to him: "You have guarded me, may Allah protect you." But if he does not maintain his prayer and does not offer it at its decreed time, it ascends as a dark and gloomy form and says to him: You have destroyed me, may Allah destroy you."

Al-Mahajjatul Baidha, Volume 1, Page 340

25. A Beloved Entity

.قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ (ص): أَحَبُّ الأَعْمَالِ إِلى اللَّهِ الصَّلاَةُ لِوَقْتِهَا ثُمَّ بِرُّ الْوَالِدَين ثُمَّ الْجهَادُ فِي سَبِيل اللَّهِ

The Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him and his progeny) has said: "The most beloved of deeds in the eyes of Allah are: offering prayers at the stipulated times; (then) goodness and kindness towards parents; (and then) Jihad in the way of Allah."

Kanzul `Ummal, Volume 7, Tradition 18897

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