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Saying Prayer in Moving Vehicles

Question1: Is it correct to recite the obligatory prayers in vehicles that are moving?

Answer: The place of worship should be motionless; that is, it should be in such a way that the worshiper can pray with calm and motionless body. So prayer is not correct in places that cause the body to move involuntarily, such as cars and trains, except when due to time constraints, etc. one has to pray in such a place.

The Rule on the Destroyed Mosque

Question2: Due to the municipal development plan, they were forced to destroy a part of one mosque, does the destroyed part still enjoy the status of a mosque?

Answer: If there is no possibility of returning it to its original state, the religious rules of the mosque is not applied to it.

Changing the Intention of a Prayer to another Prayer

Question3: What is the duty of the worshiper if he notices that he has not performed the noon or maghrib prayers while saying the 'aṣr or 'ishā' prayers respectively?

Answer: If, before the special time for 'aṣr or 'ishā' prayers, he realizes that he has not prayed the noon or maghrib prayers, it is obligatory for him to change his intention to the noon or maghrib prayers. Of course, in 'ishā' prayer, it is necessary that he has not bowed for rukū' of the fourth rak'ah.

Inability to Observe Kaffārah for Fasting

Question4: If a person is not able to perform the kaffārah of intentional breaking of his fast, what is his duty?

Answer: If a person is not able to do any of the three options in intentional kaffārah, he should feed as many poor people as he can, and it is a precaution to ask for forgiveness, and if he is not able to feed any poor person. It is enough for him to ask for forgiveness, that is, to say with his heart and tongue: أستغفر الله (I ask God for forgiveness).

To Forget to Make Rukū

Question5: If a worshiper realizes during prostration that he has not performed rukū', is his prayer void, and what is his duty if the prayer is not void?

Answer: If during the first prostration or after it and before entering the second prostration, he remembers that he has not made rukū', he should get up and after standing, he should make rukū' and after that, he should perform two prostrations and finish the prayer. (For the extra prostration, it is a recommended caution to perform two prostrations of inadvertence after the prayer).

Note: If, without getting up and standing upright, one makes rukū' from sitting position, his prayer is void.

The Duty of the Congregant in Case of Mistake in Imam's Recitation

Question6: If the Imam of the congregation inadvertently makes a mistake in recitation but continues his prayer, can his prayer be considered correct and followed for the next prayers, or should it be established that he recites his next prayers correctly and correctly?

Answer: He can be followed in the next prayers. Of course, if a congregant realizes the Imam's mistake in recitation, he can (in a way that does not invalidate his prayer), make Imam understand his mistake to correct it; Otherwise, he must intend saying prayer individually (furādā) and say the recitation himself.

Computer Games

Question7: Is it permissible to play computer games?

Answer: In general, it is not allowed to play a game:
1. With lustful stimulus scenes;
2. Which promotes false and anti-Islamic symbols and content - such as Satanism, Zionism and the like;
3. Which insults Islamic symbols or Muslims;
4. In which something of financial value is taken from the loser and given to the winner.

Vaccine Injection to Attend the Arba'īn March

Question8: Considering that going to the Arbaʿīn ziyārah is conditional on receiving a COVID-19 vaccine; Can we present a fake certificate to cross the border?

Answer: The criterion in such matters is the relevant laws and regulations, and in any case it is not permissible to present a fake certificate.

How to Say Prayer Words

Question9: How should the words of prayer be recited? Is it enough if only the lips move during recitation?

Answer: In prayer, it is obligatory to say the words in such a way that uttering them is materialized. Therefore, saying them in one's mind, that is, passing the words in the mind or just moving the lips without pronouncing them, is not enough. The sign for the recitation to be materialized is that the worshiper - if he does not suffer from the heaviness in ear and there is no noise in the environment - can hear what he is reciting and uttering.