

Always Performing the Fajr Salah Early During Ramadhan

Q: Salaah-2: Because people usually do not have enough sleep during the nights of Ramadhan, it is difficult for them to stay awake between Sehri and fajr. Many sleep after Sehri with the intention of getting up for Fajr, but then fail to do so. As a result, many people are deprived of the rewards of performing salaah in congregation, while others miss their salaah completely. They would all however be able to perform their salaah with congregation if the Fajr salaah is performed soon after dawn. Is there any harm in doing this?

Answer: There will be no harm in always performing the Fajr salaah soon After dawn during the month of Ramadhan. In fact, this is best because more people will be able to attend the salaah. This is supported by a Hadith reported by Hadhrat Zaid bin Thaabit RADI. in which he states that they used to stand up for the Fajr after eating Sehri with Rasulullaah SAW. When the narrator asked Hadhrat Zaid RADI. what the duration was between eating and salaah, he replied that it was as long as it took to recite fifty verses of the Qur'aan.

This duration is an estimate and it would be best to perform the Fajr salaah approximately fifteen to twenty minutes after dawn (Subh Saadiq). This period of time is sufficient for people to relieve themselves and prepare for salaah. And Allaah knows best what is most correct.

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