

# *Salah & Taharah Series*

## **Note for Teachers**

The **exact** manner of the *Salah* has been deliberately left flexible in the infinite wisdom of Allah (swt) and the Prophet (pbuh) acted out the Qur'an by performing the *Salah* with different variations in the execution and timings, in line with the spirit and letter of Allah (swt)'s revelation. The perfection of the *Deen* as declared by Allah (swt) includes these flexibilities.

Ironically it is these very flexibilities that are used by some to emphasize the otherness of Muslims not belonging to his/her sect. These ritualistic practices are not what define a Muslim as is made clear in this beautiful verse:

It is not righteousness that ye turn your faces Towards east or West; but it is righteousness- to believe in Allah and the Last Day, and the Angels, and the Book, and the Messengers; to spend of your substance, out of love for Him, for your kin, for orphans, for the needy, for the wayfarer, for those who ask, and for the ransom of slaves; to be steadfast in prayer, and practice regular charity; to fulfill the contracts which ye have made; and to be firm and patient, in pain (or suffering) and adversity, and throughout all periods of panic. Such are the people of truth, the Allah-fearing. (Surah Al Baqarah 2: Verse 177)

We must be gentle with fiqh. In matters of fiqh we must be flexible. In matters of Aqeedah (faith) this does not apply. Theology is black and white. Sunnah and bid'a are black and white. But in matters of fiqh do not try to enforce our opinion on others. It is their prerogative.

1. What is Prayer - Concept of prayer in different religions – power point presentation & transcript
2. Significance of Salah 1 - To understand that Salah is a peg in our life - power point presentation & transcript
3. Significance of Salah 2 - To understand that Salah is a peg in our life - power point presentation & transcript
4. Balancing act
5. Taharah 1
6. Taharah 2
7. Taharah 3
8. Taharah 4
9. Taharah 5
10. Adhan
11. Time Factor
12. Covering for Salah

13. Salah positions & words – part 1
14. Salah positions & words – part 2
15. Levels of Salah
16. Concentration versus Distraction in Salah (not recorded)
17. Devil
18. Defense against Shaytan (activity based class) & Salah wrap-up

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