

"Those who establish Prayer and pay Purifying - due and they believe in the life Hereafter" (27 : 3).

وَأَسْتَعِينُوا بِالصَّبْرِ وَالصَّلَاةِ وَإِنَّهَا لَكَبِيرَةٌ إِلَّا عَلَى الْغَافِقِينَ

"Seek help in patience and in worship. And truly it is hard save for the humble minded" (2: 45).

إِنَّمَا يَتُوبُ عَلَى ذُنُوبِهِ مَنِ اعْتَدَى بِهَا وَلِلَّهِ الْآخِرَةُ الْأُولَىٰ
وَأَقَامَ الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَى الزَّكَاةَ وَلَمْ يَحْشُرْ إِلَّا اللَّهَ

"He only shall tend Allah's mosques who beneves in Allah and the Last Day and observes proper Prayer and pays the Purifying-due and fears non except Allah. For such (only) is it possible that they can be rightly guided" (9 : 18).

The verse of the Quran to be used in the map of Britian which includes the colour photographs of mosques.

إِنَّ السُّجُودَ قَوْلًا وَمَعْرُوفًا

"And mosques are only for Allah, So pray not to anyone along with Allah."
(72:18)

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"Establish Prayer at the ends of the day in some watches of the night" (11 : 14).

وَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ بِاللَّيْلِ وَالْإِبْكَرِ ﴿١٤﴾

".... And hymn the upraise of your Lord at fall of night and in the early hours" (50 : 39).

وَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ قَبْلَ طُلُوعِ الشَّمْسِ وَقَبْلَ الْغُرُوبِ ﴿٣٩﴾

"And hymn the praise of Your Lord before the rising and before the setting of the sun" (50: 39).

رَبِّكَ أَتَى السَّمَاءَ وَكَانَ النُّجُومُ ﴿٤٩﴾

"And in the night-time hymn His praise, and at the setting of the stars" (52 : 49).

Why Muslims should establish Prayer?

أَتْلُو مَا أُوحِيَ إِلَيْكَ مِنَ الْكِتَابِ
وَأَقِمِ الصَّلَاةَ إِنَّ الصَّلَاةَ تَنْفَعُ عَنِ الْقَعْقَاعِ
وَالشُّكْرِ وَالذِّكْرِ أَكْبَرُ وَأَكْبَرُ وَأَكْبَرُ مَا تَصِفُونَ ﴿٤٥﴾

"Recite that which has been inspired in you of the Book, and establish Prayer. Truly! Prayer preserves from loathsome deeds and inequity, but verily remembrance of Allah is more important" (29 : 45).

فَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ رَكْعَتَيْنِ
وَأَعِذْ بِكَ مِنَ الْيَاقُوتِ ﴿٩٩﴾

"But hymn the upraise of your Lord, and be of those who make prostration (to Him). And serve Your Lord till the inevitable comes to You" (15 : 98 - 99).

The Glorious Qur'an provides with the examples of those people of the past who were heedless of their Prayer:

فَلَقَدْ هَمَمْنَا
فَلَقَدْ هَمَمْنَا الْفُلُوكَ وَالْأَنْجَارَ وَالْأَنْجَارَ وَالْأَنْجَارَ

"Now there has succeeded them a later generation who have ruined Prayer and have followed lusts. But they will meet deception" (19 : 59).

Establishment of Prayer is the clear sign of Faith:

الَّذِينَ يُؤْمِنُونَ بِالْغَيْبِ وَيُقِيمُونَ الصَّلَاةَ وَمِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ يُنْفِقُونَ
يُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿٢٠٠﴾

"And if you are in fear, then (Pray) standing or on horseback. And when you are again in safety, remember Allah" (2 : 239).

Five obligatory Prayers and their timings:

مَا تَزْكُرُونَ
وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ
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وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ
وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ

"There fore (O Mūhammad), bear with what they say, and celebrate the praises of your Lord before the rising of the sun and before the going down thereof. And glorify Hum some hours of the night, and at the two ends of the day, that you may find acceptance" (20 : 130).

All five obligatory Prayers must be established at their prescribed timings:

إِنَّا كُنَّا نَمُنُّ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ بِكَ تَزْكُرُونَ

"Certainly Prayer at fixed hours has been enjoined on the believers" (4 : 103).

فَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ
وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ
وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ
وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ
وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ

"So glory be to Allah when you enter the night and when you enter the morning - to Him be praise in the heavens and the earth! - and at the sun's decline and in the noonday" (20 : 18).

Prayer must be established throughout the day:

إِنَّا كُنَّا نَمُنُّ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ بِكَ تَزْكُرُونَ
وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ
وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ
وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ
وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ

Establish Prayer at the going down of the sun until the dark of night, and (the recital of) the Qura'an at dawn (17 : 78).

وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ
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وَمِنْ مَّا تَزْكُرُونَ

"Be guardians of Your Prayers, and of the mid-most Prayer, and stand up with devotion to Allah" (2 : 38).

إِنَّا كُنَّا نَمُنُّ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ بِكَ تَزْكُرُونَ

The method of Prayer in the battlefield:

وَاِذَا كُنْتَ فِيهِمْ فَأَقِمْ لَهُمُ الصَّلَاةَ فَاتِمًّا طَائِفَةٌ
مِّنْهُمْ مَعَكَ وَلْيَأْخُذُوا بَأْسَابِحِهِمْ فَاذْهَبُوا فَالْيَسْرُ
لَهُمْ وَرَأَيْكُمْ وَكَانَ ثَلَاثَةً اٰخَرُونَ لَمْ يُصَلُّوا
فَلْيَصَلُّوا مَعَكَ وَلْيَأْخُذُوا بِحَبْلِهِمْ وَاتَّقِمْ لَهُمُ

Prayer may be shortened on the journey:

وَأَفْصَحْتُمْ
فِي الْأَرْضِ قَلِيلًا عَلَيْهِمْ جُنَاحٌ أَنْ يَقْتُلُوا إِمْرًا الصَّالِحِينَ إِنْ خِفْتُمْ
أَنْ يَفْشِيَكُمْ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنَ الْكُفْرِ بِمَا كُنْتُمْ تُعْمَلُونَ ۖ فَاعْلَوْا ۚ إِنَّا

Friday congregation Prayer:

بَنَاتِهَا الَّذِينَ اسْتَوٰا اَنفُسَهُۥم بِالْمَلٰٓئِكَةِ مِنْ يَوْمِ الْجُمُعَةِ
فَاتَّخَذُوْا اِلٰهًا وَّكُرْهُوْهُ وَاٰتٰىهُمُ الْبَيْعَ وَذَلَّلَكُمْ فَارْلَكُمْ اِنْ كُنْتُمْ
تَعْلَمُوْنَ ﴿٥﴾

Prayer at the state of fear:

فَإِنْ خِفْتُمْ فِرَاجًا لَا تُزَكِّيَانَا فَإِذَا بَيْنَكُمْ
مَاذَكُرُوا اللَّهَ كَمَا عَلَّمْتُمْ مَا لَمْ تَكُونُوا تَعْلَمُونَ

"And Allah loves the purifiers" (9 : 108).

Pure water be used for ritual purity"

وَيُنَزِّلُ
عَلَيْكُمْ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ مَاءً لِيُطَهِّرَ بِهِ

"..... and sent down water from the sky upon you, that thereby He might purify you " (8 : 11)

Al-Salat (the Prayer) must be established with Al-Wudu (the ablution):

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِذَا قُمْتُمْ إِلَى الصَّلَاةِ فَاغْسِلُوا
وُجُوهَكُمْ وَأَيْدِيَكُمْ إِلَى الْمَرَافِقِ وَانْسُؤُوا رُءُوسَكُمْ
وَأَرْجُلَكُمْ إِلَى الْكَعْبَيْنِ

"O You who believe! When you rise for prayer, wash your faces, and your hands upto the elbows, and lightly rub your heads and (wash) your feet upto the ankles"

Al-Ghusl (The Bath):

وَأَن كُنْتُمْ جُنُبًا فَاطَّهَّرُوا

And if you are unclean, purify yourselves (5 : 7).

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَقْرَبُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَأَنتُمْ سُكَرَى
حَتَّى تَعْلَمُوا

"(Draw not near to Prayer) when you are polluted ... till you have bath" (4 : 43)

Tayammum (Sand ablution):

وَأَن كُنْتُمْ مَرِيضًا أَوْ عَلَى سَفَرٍ أَوْ جَاءَتْكُمْ
أُمُودٌ مِّنَ الْمَاءِ أَوْ لَسْتُمْ بِمُحْسِنِينَ فَامْسَحُوا بِوُجُوهِكُمْ
وَأَيْدِيكُمْ بِالْأَرْضِ فَامْسَحُوا بِرُءُوسِكُمْ وَأَيْدِيكُمْ إِلَى الْكَعْبَيْنِ

"And if you be ill, or on journey, or one of you comes from the closet, or you have touched women, and you find not water, then go to high clean soil and rub your faces and your hands (there with). Surely! Allah is Benign, Forgiving" (4 : 43).

Al-Salat should be established in congregation:

The Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) has been enjoined for the first time by Allah for the establishment of Prayer:

يَا أَيُّهَا الرَّسُولُ ۚ بَاقِلِ الْإِيلَاقِ ۚ وَاقِلْ مِنْهُ قَلِيلًا ۚ
أَوْزِدْ عَلَيْهِ وَرِيقَ الْقُرْآنِ تَرْتِيلًا ۝

"O You wrapped up in your rainment! Keep vigil the night long, save a little) half thereof, or abate a little there of or add a little there to - and recite the Qura'an in a, clear and distinct manner." (72:1-4)

يَا أَيُّهَا الْمَدِينُ ۚ قُتِبَ عَلَيْكَ تَرْكَكِ ۚ وَرَبُّكَ مُكْرِ ۚ وَبَابُكَ مُطْفِئُ ۝

"O you enveloped in your cloak, arise and warn! Your Lord magnify, your raiment purify" (74 : 1-4)

The Prophet (peace be upon him) has been enjoined to admonish his family for the establishment of Prayer:

وَأْمُرْ أَهْلَكَ بِالصَّلَاةِ
وَسَلِّ عَلَيْهِمْ ۚ إِنَّكَ أَمْرٌ ذُو فَضْلٍ ۚ وَالْمُؤْمِنُ وَالْمُؤْمِنَةُ
الْكَافِرِينَ ۝

"And enjoin upon your people Prayer and be constant therein. We ask not of You a provision; We provide for You. And the sequel is for righteousness." (20 : 132).

Al - Salat the Prayer is an incumbent duty:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا ارْكَعُوا وَاسْجُدُوا وَاعْبُدُوا
رَبَّكُمْ ۚ إِنَّكُمْ أَعْيُنُكُمْ لَأَرَأَيْتُمْ كَيْفَ تَتَوَكَّلُونَ ۝

"O you, believe! Bow down and prostrate yourselves, and worship your Lord, and do good, that happy you may prosper" (22 : 77)

فَأَقِمْ وَجْهَكَ لِلدِّينِ حَنِيفًا ۚ فِطْرَتَ اللَّهِ الَّتِي فَطَرَ النَّاسَ ۚ لَا تَمْلِكُ لَهُمْ أَرْحَامٌ وَلَا أَوْلِيَاءُ ۚ يَسْعَىٰ عَنِ الْكَافِرِينَ ۝
وَأَقِمْ الصَّلَاةَ وَآتِ الزَّكَاةَ
وَأَعِصِ مِائِلَهُ ۚ هُوَ مَوْلَاكَ فَنِعْمَ الْمَوْلَىٰ وَنِعْمَ الْحَصِيرُ ۝

"So establish Prayer, pay the Purifying due, and hold fast to Allah":

Al- Taharah (The Ritual Purity) :

وَاللَّهُ يُحِبُّ الْمُطَهِّرِينَ ۝

وَأَذْكُرُ فِي الْكِتَابِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ إِذْ كَانَ
صَادِقَ الْوَعْدِ وَكَانَ رَسُولًا نَبِيًّا ۖ وَكَانَ بِأَمْرِهِمْ بِالْأَسْوَءِ
وَأَذْكُرُ وَكَانَ عِنْدَ رَبِّكَ

"And make mention in the Book of Ishmael. Certainly he was a keeper of his promise, and he was a messenger (of Allah), a Prophet. He enjoined upon his people Prayer and almsgiving and was acceptable in the sight of his Lord" (19 : 54 - 55)

Allah enjoins Prophet Moses (peace be upon him) to establish Prayer:

إِنِّي أَنَا اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنَا
فَاعْبُدْنِي وَأَقِمِ الصَّلَاةَ لِذِكْرِي

"Certainly! I , even, I am Allah. There is no God save Me. So serve Me and establish Prayer for My remembrance" (20 : 14)

The covenant of Allah with Children of Israel:

وَأَذْكُرُ
أَخَذْنَا مِيثَاقَ بَنِي إِسْرَءِيلَ أَن لَّا تَعْبُدُونَ إِلَّا اللَّهَ وَبِالْوَالِدَيْنِ
إِحْسَانًا وَبِذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَالْيَتَامَىٰ وَالْأَسْفَافِ عَدُوًّا وَقُولُوا
وَقَاتِلُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَالْحَصْلَةُ وَوَعَدْنَا آلَ إِبْرَاهِيمَ ثُمَّ
تَوَلَّوْنَا لَا يُلَاقِيكُمْ فِيهَا مَوْلَا ۚ وَأَعَدْنَا لِلشَّارِكِينَ

"And remember when We made a covenant with the Children of Israel, (saying) : Worship none save Allah (only) ... and establish Prayer and pay the Purifying due. Then, after that, you slid back, save a few of you, being averse" (2 : 83)

Prophet Moses (peace be upon him) and the establishment of Mosques:-

وَأَوْفَىٰ بِمَا عَاهَدُوا عَلَيْكَ
لَنَجْزِيَنَّكَ بِمَا عَهِدْنَا لَكَ وَنَجْعَلُكَ يَتِيمًا
وَنَجْعَلُكَ الْبَاقِيَةَ

"And We inspired Moses and his brother (saying) : Appoint houses for you people in Egypt and make your houses oratories, and establish Prayer, and give good news to the-believers" (10 : 87)

Prophet Shoaib (peace be upon him) :

قَالَ إِنِّي خَشِيتُ الْمَوْلُودَ أَنَّ يَنْشُرَكُمْ
لَقَدْ مَنَّ اللَّهُ عَلَىٰ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ وَأَمَّا أَنْتُمْ فَتَأْتُوا
بِالْحَقِّ لَوْلَا الْحَقُّ لَآتَىٰكُمْ

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Prophet Abraham (peace be upon him) :

رَبِّ اجْعَلْنِي مُقِيمَ الصَّلَاةِ وَمِنْ ذُرِّيَّتِي رَبَّنَا وَتَقَبَّلْ دُعَاءِ ﴿١٤﴾

" My Lord! Make me to establish proper Prayer, and same if my posterity (also); our Lord! and accept the Prayer" (14 : 40)

رَبَّنَا إِنِّي أَسْكَنْتُ مِنْ ذُرِّيَّتِي بِوَادٍ غَيْرِ ذِي زَرْعٍ عِنْدَ بَيْتِكَ الْمُحَرَّمِ رَبَّنَا لِيُقِيمُوا الصَّلَاةَ فَاجْعَلْ أَفْعَدَةً مِنَ النَّاسِ تَهْوِي إِلَيْهِمْ وَارْزُقْهُمْ مِنَ الشَّجَرِاتِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَشْكُرُونَ ﴿٣٧﴾

"Our Lord! Certainly! I have settled some of my posterity in a uncultivable valley near to Your Holy House (the valley of Makkah) our Lord! That they may establish proper Prayer; So incline some hearts of men that they may yearn toward them, and provide you them with fruits in order that they may be thankful"

(14 : 37)

Prophets Isaac and Jacob (peace be upon them):

وَوَعَدْنَا
لِإِسْحَاقَ وَيَعْقُوبَ نَافِلَةً وَأَوْفَيْنَاهُمَا وَلِإِسْحَاقَ
وَيَعْقُوبَ لِيُؤْتِيَهُمَا بَعْدَكَ وَوَعَدْنَا لَهُمَا وَكَانَ
الْحَقُّ بِمَا وَعَدْنَا
عَبِيدِينَ ﴿٧٣﴾

"And We bestowed upon him Isaac, and Jacob as a Grandson. Each of them We made righteous. And we made them chiefs who guide by Our Command; and We inspired in them the doing of good deeds and the right establishment of Prayer and the giving of alms., and they were worshippers of Us (alone)"

(21 : 72 - 73)

Prophet Ishmael (peace be upon him):