# Where can we find Salat in the Quran ?!

One of the most famous question that many Muslims ask regarding their own religion, is their question,

"Where in the Quran do we find details how to perform Salat?"

This favorite question of potential believers exposes their ignorance of the Quran as well as proves that their religion is based purely on heresy and conjecture of their parents, scholars or local mullas.

There are two implications of the Question above:

1. An implication that challenges God's assertion and a subconscious effort to prove that God is wrong in His repeated assertions that Quran is "Complete", "Perfect" and "Fully Detailed".

2. An implication that Hadith contains the details of Salat and therefore Hadith other than the Quran can be used for religious law.

The fact is that there is NO hadith which gives us details of how to perform Salat. God controls everything and since God has condemned all Hadith other the Quran (The Quran is the only acceptable hadith), it is God's will that any hadith other than the Quran, not contain the details of Salat.

Those who are knowledgeable of the Quran know that there are two sources for the religion of Islam (Submission in English).

1. The Quran which is COMPLETE, PERFECT and fully details all religious LAW. 2. Religious practices given to Prophet Abraham and passed on to us generation to generation since the time of Abraham.

Quran teaches us in no uncertain terms that Abraham is the founder of Islam as it is practiced today. As such, what did Abraham contribute to our daily life as Muslims?

Quran teaches us that ALL RELIGIOUS PRACTICES IN ISLAM, (Salat, Zakat, Fasting, & Hajj) came to us from Abraham, generation after generation.

Majority of Muslims always ask, how can these practices come to us from Abraham and not from Muhammed. They do not trust that God Almighty can preserve His own religious practices (rituals) to give to us pure, clear and complete.

In other words, all religious practices in Islam existed before Muhammed. Muhammed's sole mission was to deliver the Quran. "Your ONLY mission (O Muhammed) is to deliver (Quran), while it is we who will call them to account." 13:40

"You (O Muhammed) have no duty EXCEPT delivering (Quran)." 42:48

"The messenger has no function EXCEPT delivering (Quran)..." 5:99

It is also interesting to know that many of these Muslims who ask the question do not know that, the Hadith and Sunna books do not have enough information about how to perform Salat, the number of Rakaat (units), or what to say in them.

The Hadiths and Sunna books are rather full of different Hadiths that give one instruction here and then reverse it in another, tell you that the Prophet prayed some numbers of Rakaat then give you another hadiths with a different number, or teach some non-sense like spitting under your left foot in the mosque instead of the right foot...etc.

NOT a single time, was the prophet Muhammed reported as telling the people; let me tell you how to perform your Salat prayers, or let me tell you the number of Rakaat in the prayers.

Had Muhammed willed or was of his duties to teach the community their prayer and the number of Rakaat, he would have done such that and in the public arena for everyone to witness it. It never happened. Because the Prophet Muhammed and the people before him were given the ways to pray, handed down from Abraham through generations of believers who kept the prayers intact as God promised. God would not have told Muhammed to follow the religion of Abraham when no one knows or practices that religion.

Abraham was the first recipient of the concept of Islam, and the first user of the word "Muslim" (Submitter in English).

"You shall strive in the cause of God as you should. He has blessed you, and imposed no hardship in your religion; the RELIGION OF YOUR FATHER ABRAHAM, Abraham is the one who named you "Muslims" in the beginning. Thus, the messenger serves as witness among you, just as you serve as a witness among the people. Therefore, you shall observe the Salat prayers, give the Zakat charity, and hold fast to God; He is your Lord; the best Lord, and the best supporter." 22:78

"Abraham was neither Jewish, nor Christian; he was a monotheist; a Muslim; he never was an idol-worshiper. The people most worthy of following Abraham are those who follow him and this prophet (Muhammed), and those who believed. God is the Lord of the believers." 3:67-68

"Then we inspired you (O Muhammed) to follow the religion of Abraham, monotheism; never was he an idol-worshiper." 16:123

Logically, if Muhammed was a follower of Abraham, and we are followers of Muhammed, then we are followers of Abraham. What did we and Muhammad learn from Abraham ???

The Quran teaches us that we learned ALL THE RELIGIOUS PRACTICES of Islam from Abraham. The whole Arabian society before and during the time of Muhammed had many followers of the religion of Abraham. Thus Abu Lahab, Abu Jahl, and the idolators of Quraish used to observe Salat prayers as we can see in 8:33-35.

"...Their SALAT PRAYERS at the shrine were no more than deceit and repulsion."

In Sura 73, few weeks after the revelation of the Quran, 73:20 is telling the Muslims to observe the SALAT and Zakat. Does it make sense that God would issue a commandment to observe something not already known.???

".....and observe the SALAT and ZAKAT, and lend God a loan of righteousness. Whatever you advance for your souls, you will find at God better and multiplied manyfold....." 73:20.

In 2:128 we see Abraham and Ismail implore God to teach them "THE RELIGIOUS PRACTICES OF ISLAM"

"As Abraham raised the foundation of Kaaba, together with Ismail, they prayed, 'Our Lord, accept this work from us; You are the Hearer, the Omniscient. Our Lord, and make us Muslims (Submitters) to You and from our descendants let there be a nation of Muslims (Submitters) to you; AND TEACH US HOW TO PRACTICE OUR RELIGIOUS DUTIES, and redeem us; You are the Redeemer, the Merciful'" 2:127-128

The Prophets and Messengers prior to Abraham were not given any religious practices. The human society was so primitive, only BELIEF IN GOD ALONE was all that is required for salvation. See for example Sura 71, entitles "Noah" Thus, religious practices appear in Quran ONLY after ABRAHAM; never before him.

"(O Children of Israel) you shall observe the SALAT PRAYERS & ZAKAT charity; you shall bow down with those who bow." 2:125

## MORE PROOFS THAT SALAT OBSERVED BEFORE MUHAMMED.

"O Mary (Mariam), you shall obey your Lord, and shall prostrate and bow down with those who bow down." 3:43

"(Jesus said) God has made me blessed wherever I go, and He commanded me to observe the SALAT PRAYERS and ZAKAT charity for as long as I live." 19:31

But the Jews and Christians lost the SALAT PRAYERS, changed it and invented their own.

"Generations came thereafter who LOST the SALAT prayers, and pursued their lusts." 19:59

If we look in the oldest prayer books for the Jews we can still see their prayers very similar to what the Muslims do today, they bow down and fall prostrate. There are remnant of the SALAT prayers among the Jews, namely the Samaritans, and the Christians (the Russian Orthodox Church). It is noteworthy that the Samaritan Jews have denounced the man-made commandments of Talmud, and decided to adhere to the word of God ALONE, i.e. Torah. (See "The Myth of God Incarnate", page 117)

# **MORE PROOFS:**

" And we granted him (Abraham) Isaac and Jacob as a gift, and we made them righteous. And we appointed them Imams who guide in accordance with our commandments. AND WE TAUGHT THEM RIGHTEOUS WORKS AND THE OBSERVANCE OF SALAT AND ZAKAT.' 21:72-73

Unfortunately, this plain Quranic truth is not accessible by those who keep trying to prove that Quran is not complete. First they have to come to sincere conviction that Quran is complete, perfect and fully detailed; they have to believe their Lord. Once they attain this conviction, the shields will be removed from around their hearts, the deafness will be removed from their ears and they will become worthy of the Quranic truth.

FASTING CAME TO US VIA ABRAHAM: then modified in the Quran.

"You are permitted to have sexual intercourse with your wives during the night of fasting; they are your confidantes, and you are their confidantes. God knew that you used to betray your souls in the past. He has redeemed you, and He has pardoned you. Henceforth, you may have intercourse with them, seeking what God has permitted for you." part of 2:187

"O you who believe, fasting is decreed for you, AS IT WAS DECREED for those before you, that you may attain salvation." 2:183

HAJJ (Pilgrimage) : came to us VIA ABRAHAM: Please note that the same verse also mention the SALAT prayers bowing down and prostrating.

"We pointed out to Abraham the location of the shrine, and directed him to worship NONE beside Me, and to purify My shrine for those who would visit it, those who would retreat therein, and those who would BOW DOWN AND PROSTRATE. And you shall declare (O Abraham) that the people shall observe HAJJ. They will then come to you, walking or riding, from the farthest places." 22:26-27

#### **MORE PRAYERS or SAME PRAYERS ?!**

All Muslims (Submitters) know that God ordered us to do five contact prayers (salat) every day. Traditional sectarian Muslims, call these five prayers, "fard" or obligatory. They believe that there are other prayers (Sunnah) which should also be done for extra credit. However we will illustrate here how the number of prayers, number of units, and even the names of the prayers are mathematically coded. This means that adding prayers disrupts the intricate code that God has created and designed into the contact prayers. Adding extra prayers to what God ordered is like a person taking extra medicine on his own to feel much better than what his/her doctor told him to take, it can kill him instead of helping him. Of course that does not mean that we should not worship to gain extra credit! On the contrary, God tells us exactly what we should do for extra credit.

"During the night, you shall meditate for extra credit, that your Lord may raise you to an honorable rank. And say, "My Lord, admit me an honorable admittance, and let me depart an honorable departure, and grant me from You a powerful support." 17:79-80

In this verse and several others, God tells us to meditate on Him and to fall prostrate during the night for extra credit. He does not tell us to do extra Contact prayers (Salat). In fact God tells us :

"...the contact prayers (Salat) are decreed for the believers at specific times." 4:103

#### SALAT (CONTACT PRAYERS ) IN THE QURAN:

Many Muslims do not know that all the five prayers are mentioned in the Quran, their time is clearly mentioned in several verses and that all the steps we do are found also in the Quran.

#### **{1} FIVE PRAYERS A DAY AND THEIR TIME :**

God gave us the times for the Salat (contact Prayers) in the Quran :

- (1) The Dawn Prayer (Fajr in Arabic) given in 11:114, 24:58
- (2) The Noon Prayer (Zuher in Arabic), given in 17:78
- (3) The Afternoon Prayer (Asr in Arabic), given in 2:238
- (4) The sunset Prayer (Maghrib in Arabic), given in 11:114
- (5) The Night Prayer (Isha in Arabic), given in 24:58

As you can see from the Quran, God tells us to do our Contact prayers (Salat) at specific times, and then He tells us what these times are.

### {2} TAKBEER (Glorification of God), Allahu Akbar :

The Takbeer (glorification of God) by saying Allahu Akbar for example can be found in 17:111, 2:185, 22 :37, 74:3, and 29:45

[17:110-111] " Say, "Call Him GOD, or call Him the Most Gracious; whichever name you use, to Him belongs the best names." You shall not utter your Contact Prayers (Salat) too loudly, nor secretly; use a moderate tone. And proclaim: "Praise be to GOD, who has never begotten a son, nor does He have a partner in His kingship, nor does He need any ally out of weakness," and magnify Him constantly. (Kabberho Takbeera) "

[29:45] You shall recite what is revealed to you of the scripture, and observe the Contact Prayers (Salat), for the Contact Prayers prohibit evil and vice. The remembrance of GOD (through Salat) is the most important objective. (La Thekro Allahu Akbar), GOD knows everything you do."

**{3} READING SURA 1, FATEHA, IN SALAT** : The mathematical evidence for Sura 1 is overwhelming and should be reviewed. It is discussed later in this file.

**{4} BOWING DOWN (Ruku) AND FALLING PROSTRATE (Sujood)**: Where in the Quran;

[22:77] "O you who believe, you shall bow, prostrate, worship your Lord, and work righteousness, that you may succeed."

See also, 2:43, 2:125, 5:55, 9:112, 22:26 and 48:29 For falling prostrate also see; 3:113, 4:102, 7:206, 13:15, 15:98, 16:49, 17:107, 19:58, 22:18, 25:64, 41:37, 48:29, 53:62, 76:26, and 96:19, WHAT WE SAY WHEN WE BOW DOWN : "Subhana Rabbya Al-Azeem), can be found in 56:74

[56:74] "You shall glorify the name of your Lord, the Great. ' (Fa-Sabbeh Be-Ism Rabbeka Al-Azeem)

WHAT WE SAY WHEN WE GET UP FROM BOWING DOWN: "Sami-a Allahu Le-man Hamedahu" (God hears those who praise Him)

[3:38] "That is when Zachariah implored his Lord: "My Lord, grant me such a good child; You are the Hearer of the prayers."

## AND,

[52:48] "You shall steadfastly persevere in carrying out your Lord's command - you are in our eyes - and glorify and praise your Lord when you get up."

WHAT WE SAY WHEN WE FALL PROSTRATE: "Subhana Rabbya Al-A'ala " can be found in 87:1

[87:1] "Glorify the name of your Lord, the Most High." (Sabbeh Ism Rabbeka Al-A'ala)

## **{5} SHAHADA (TASHAHHUD):**

La Elaha Ella Allah (There is no god but God).

The Shahada recited after the prostration of the second Rakaat and at the end of the prayers can be found in 3:18. This is the Shahada of God, the angels and those who possess knowledge. The Shahada of the hypocrites can be found in 63:1

[3:18] "GOD bears witness that there is no god except He, (La Elaha Ella Ho, Ho in reference to God, Allah) and so do the angels and those who possess knowledge. Truthfully and equitably, He is the absolute god; there is no god but He, the Almighty, Most Wise."

# BUT WHY CAN'T WE.....?

But why can't we pray more than what God told us to pray? There are two parts to the answer of this question. The first part has to do with the source of our religious practice. If God tells you in the Quran to pray five specific prayers, and you say,"But the Hadith books said to pray more". Does this mean God does not know what to order ?! Does this mean God is not clear? when He said the prayers are set for specific times. All Muslims world-wide agree on the five Contact Prayers (Salat), how many units they should be, and when they should be prayed. But no two sects agree on the Sunnah prayers. Isn't this exactly like the example given in the Quran :

"God cites the Example of a man who deals with disputing partners (i.e. Hadith), compared to a man who deals with only one consistent source (i.e.Quran). Are they the same ? Praise be to God; most of them do not know. (39:29)

The second part of the answer has to do with the mathematical proof of the Contact Prayers (Salat).

### SALAT AND MATHEMATICS:

We all heard about the Mathematical Miracle of the Quran, but few knew that the Mathematical Miracle also involved the Contact Prayers (Salat in Arabic). While the Mathematical Miracle of the Quran is built on the number 19, see 74:30, that of the Contact Prayers (Salat) is built on both number 19 and 17, where number 17 is the total number of units (Rakaat) of the Salat that we are supposed to do every day.

Total of 17 units As you know we have to pray these units in this order, Fajr, Zuhr,Asr,Maghrib, &Isha that is 2, 4, 4, 3, 4 units, this number that has to be in this order is a multiple of 19, actually 24434=19x1286

From this we can see that the number of units (Rakaat) of prayer is an important part of the Mathematical code and adding or subtracting prayers or units of prayer disrupts this coding that is here not because of coincidence but because God who controls everything especially His own prayers put it there.

This Mathematical code proves to us that the prayer we have today is protected by God since started by Abraham and that the order we do it is the right order with each prayer has the right number of units Rakaat).

But there is more !!!! If we look at the number of the letters which spell the names of the prayers in Arabic (Fajr, Zuhr, Asr, Maghrib"Mgrb" & Isha) the total is 17 letters which is the total number of units (Rakaat) we perform every day.

Sura number 1, the Key (Fateha) is the major part of our prayer, it has to be recited 17 times a day (the number of Rakaat). Sura 1,has 7 verse, both the 1 and the 7 that form the number 17 can be appreciated right there, nothing in God's system is a coincidence.

If we look at the gematrical value (the numeric equivalents) of the Arabic letters that form the names of the 5 daily prayer we find another miracle. The gematrical value of Dawn(Fajr) prayer for example is 283 (Feh=80, Jeem=3,& Ra=200). The other Gematrical values for the rest of the 5 prayers are,Noon (Zuhr)=1105, Afternoon (Asr)=360, Sunset (Maghrib)=1242 and Night (Isha)= 372

The total value of these 5 Arabic Names for prayers, that has to be 17 units (Rakaa) and their names has to be exactly 17 letters is 3362. To appreciate this mathematical Miracle we have to involve all these factors, the 3362+17 (Units) +17(Letters) +5 (times of prayers) = 3401 3401 = 19x179, again you can see that 179 adds to 17 which is the number of units (Rakaat) that God wants us to do.

This is a continuation of the topic of Salat and Mathematics.

Now let us only add the Gematrical value of these Arabic letters in the names of the five prayers without repeating the same letter, for example Fajr and Asr both have "Ra" in it, we will only add the Gematrical value of one "Ra". If we do so, we will have 13 Arabic letters that have a Gematrical value of 2692. If we add this Gematrical total, + the number of times we pray each day (5) + the number of Sura we recite consistently in our prayer (Fateha) (1), we get

2692+5 (Times)+1 (Sura1)=2698 = 19x142.

This number, 2698, is not only a multiple of 19, but it is also the number of times that the word GOD (Allah) is mentioned in all the Quran.

How about the word Salat (Contact Prayers ) in the Quran itself, is it part of the Miracle ?

The answer is yes. The word "Salat" occurs in the Quran 67 times, and when we add the numbers of Suras and verses of these 67 occurrences, the total comes to 4674, or 19x246, another multiple of 19.

One more miracle that shows how much God is in control of everything is the next one, but it is also more difficult than the first ones. This miracle proves that Sura 1 (Fateha) is the essence of our prayer and that the numbers of bowing and falling prostrate and saying Shahada (Tashahhuds) during our prayers are controlled by God. If we write down the number of the prayers with their bowings, prostrations and Shahadas, we get :

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This long number consists of the number of the sura that we recite in every prayer, Sura 1, (1) followed by the number of the first prayer (1), then the number of times that we recite sura 1 in this prayer (2), then the number of bowings (Ruku') (i.e. 2), then the number of prostrations (4), then the number of Shahada (Tashahhuds) (1 in first prayer), then we start over again with the number of second prayer (2) followed by the number of sura 1 that we recite in 2nd prayer (4), then the number of bowings (Ruku') (4) , then the number of prostrations (8) in this prayer, then the number of Tashahhuds (2), then the number of the third prayer (3), and so on to the last prayer of the day. This long number is a multiple of 19 and confirms the minute details of the prayers. One may ask what are all these numbers, does God really care. The answer is actually in 72:28

"This is to ascertain that they have delivered their Lord's messages. He is fully aware of what they have. HE HAS COUNTED THE NUMBERS OF ALL THINGS." 72:28, notice that 7+2+2+8=19

From all of these findings we can see that God designed the times of the prayers, the number of units in each prayer, even the names of the prayers in a very specific way. Unfortunately human beings have tendency to make things more complex and difficult than what God gives us.

#### THE CORRUPTION OF SALAT:

Those who refused to believe God in His book, the Quran that the Quran is complete, perfect and fully detailed are deprived by God from performing the correct Salat. God let them wonder in the dark and pick bets and pieces that nullified their salat for them. They insisted that God is not enough for them and God insisted on leaving them in the dark. God did not wrong them but they are the ones who wronged their own souls. The following are some specific examples of how Salat has been corrupted and lost its form as given by God and as practiced by the Prophet Muhammed himself. It is the corrupted scholars and their blind followers who practice this corruption up to this time.

**CORRUPTION ONE** Ablution: Verse 5:6 give four steps for ablution. However, the potential muslims of today have their own rules.

[5:6] "O you who believe, when you observe the Contact Prayers (Salat), you shall: (1) wash your faces, (2) wash your arms to the elbows, (3) wipe your heads, and (4) wash your feet to the ankles. "

# **CORRUPTION TWO :**

[72:18] "The places of worship belong to God; do not call on anyone else besides God."

The overwhelming majority of the mosques of the world do not follow the following crucial commandment. The name of Muhammad is placed next to the name of God in most mosques. The name of Muhammad is called upon together with the name of God in Azaan. The Muslims nullify their Salat by adding the name of Muhammad to the shahaada decreed by God "La ellaha ella Allah" [3:18 & other verses]

## **CORRUPTION THREE :**

[2:37] "Adam received from his Lord words, whereby God redeemed him; He is the Redeemer, Most Merciful." (2:37)

Adam had to utter specific words in order to be redeemed by God. Similarly, God has given us specific words - the words of Sura 1, Al fateha, in order to establish daily contact (salat) with Him, in order to be redeemed. The Muslims of today when praying in congregation ignore the first numbered verse of the Quran, the first verse of sura Alfatihah, the Basmallah. Instead, when they reach the end of Al-fatihah, they shout in unison: "AAAAMEEEN" - a non-Arabic, a non-Quranic word!!!! They removed the verse that has the words of God and added instead a non-Quranic word.

### **CORRUPTION FOUR :**

The Quran commands us to use a moderate tone is Salat. But the potential Muslims have their own rules regarding the tone used, they pray in complete silence in some part of the prayers in defiance of the decree in the Quran. in 17:110

[17:110] You shall not utter your Contact Prayers (Salat) too loudly, nor secretly; use a MODERATE tone." 17:110

### **CORRUPTION FIVE:**

After reciting Al-fatihah the potential Muslims recite other chapters from the Quran. An addition that is not supported by the Quran and which introduces into the Salat other names to share with the name of God, for which our Salat should be devoted. One of their favorite Suras is Sura 112. What logical sense does it make that when we are performing our contact prayers (Salat) that we tell God, "Say/Proclaim, 'He is the One..'"!? This statement should be directed to the creatures of God and not to the One who is KNOWER of Everything.

Sura 112:1-4 is reproduced below.

[112:1-4] Proclaim, "He is the One and only GOD. "The Absolute GOD. "Never did He beget. Nor was He begotten. "None equals Him."

## THEY STILL INSIST :

Even after showing all this Quranic evidence to those who do not believe God, you will note that they insist on their ways. They may ask you again and after all that ; "Where are the details of SALAT prayers in the Quran"? Until they decide to believe their Creator in His repeated assertions that the Quran is complete, perfect and fully detailed, they can never see the Quranic truth. This is documented in 18:57;

"Who is more wicked than one who is reminded of the verses of His Lord, then disregard them, while unaware of his sin? Consequently, we place shields on their hearts, to prevent them from understanding (Quran), and deafness in their ears. Thus, if you invite them to the guidance, they can NEVER EVER be guided." 18:57