

Fiqh of Jumuah (Friday) Prayer

*Jumuah prayer is Fard (mandatory) prayer upon every Muslim man who is:

- 1- Free (not being enslaved).
- 2- Mentally stable.
- 3- Reached puberty.
- 4- Resident in his city and able to go to Jummah prayer.
- 5- Doesn't have valid excuses that prevent him from attending Jumuah.

Who is Excused from Attending Jummah Prayer?

Jumuah prayer is mandatory upon every Muslim man and to be performed in *Jam'aa* congregation except:

- 1- Enslaved person.
- 2- Women.
- 3- Young boys.
- 4- Sick man.
- 5- Travelling man. There are two opinions on that case:
 - a. He is excused from Jummah prayer.
 - b. Jumuah is still mandatory upon the travelling man if he is in a city and hears the *Athan* (The call for Jummah prayer).
- 6- Men with valid excuses that prevent them from attending congregational prayer.

Time of Jummah Prayer:

Jumuah time **begins** when the sun is in the middle of the sky (*Zawaal*). It is permissible to pray it before (*Zawaal*) and **ends** with the ending of *Dhuhr* prayer.

Number of Rakaat of Jummah prayer

Jummah prayer is two Rakaat in congregation.

It is preferred to read:

- a. *Surat Al-Jumuah* or *Surat Al-Alaa* in the first Rakaat after Al-Fatiha.
- b. *Surat Al-Munafiqoon* or *Surat Al-Ghashiyah*.

Condition of Coming Late to Jummah Prayer

1- If a man reaches one complete Rakaat of Jummah prayer, he should join the Imam and make up the missed Rakaat in Jummah is counted for him.

2- If a man reached less than one Rakaat for example, he reached the last two Sajdah or Tashahud:

Op.1. : Jumuah counts for him. He should stand up after Tasleem to make up for the two missing Rakaat.

Op.2. : Jumuah does not count for him and he should stand up after Tasleem and pray four Rakaat.

Sunnah of Jummah

- Jummah prayer has Sunnah after it. It is two or four Rakaat.

Hanafi Math'hab: to pray two or four in the Masjid.

Op.2. : It is *preferable* to pray two or four at home after Jummah prayer.

Conditions of Khutbah of Jummah

-Khutbah of Jummah must be two parts. There are some conditions that must be in Khutbatul Jummah:

1- *Shahadah* (Testimony of La ilaha Illa Allah and Muhammed is the final messenger of Allah).

- *It is preferable to praise Allah (SWT) and send peace and blessings upon the prophet (Salla Allahu Alayhi Wa Sallam), Reading one Ayah from the Quran, and give advice of having Taqwa (awareness of Allah).*

2- Some scholars believe that Khutba must be fully in Arabic language and some said It is **not** a condition for -Khutbah to be fully in Arabic language. Imam should give the khutba in the language of the audience and this opinion is the stronger one.

Some of Etiquettes of the Khutbah of Jummah

1- in *Op.1*. It is preferable for the *khateeb* (Imam) to give the Khutbah while standing and to sit between the two khutbah.

Op.2. It is mandatory for the *khateeb* (Imam) to give the Khutbah while standing and to sit between the two khutbah.

2- For the Imam to give Salam to people who are attending the Jummah prayer.

3- Khutbah should not be long.

Etiquette of Praying Jummah

Whoever is going to attend Jummah prayer should follow these etiquette and manners:

1- Taking a *Ghusul* (a shower with the intention of praying Jummah) at any time starting from Fajr till Jumuah time.

2- Being neat and in the best clothes a Muslim can have.

- It is preferable to even have some special clothes for Jummah prayer.

3- Going early to prayer and staying in the Masjid praying and remembering Allah.

4- Should not cut through rows.

5- Sitting closer to the Imam if possible.

6- Should not ask others to give up their place so you can take their seat.

- 7- To pray two Rakaa before sitting.
- 8- It is *prohibited* to speak during Khutbah; while the Imam is speaking.
- 9- It is not allowed to ask someone to stop talking, otherwise, Jumuah does not count.
- 10- Should not be distracted with any items in hand, or pretending to draw or write on the carpet of the Masjid.
- 11- It is prohibited to buy and sell on Friday during Jummah prayer until it is done.
- 12- Reciting Surat Al Kahf.
- 13- Sending much peace and blessings upon prophet Muhammed(Salla Allahu Alayhi Wa Sallam).

Speaking After Khutab and Before Jummah Prayer

Op.1. : It is disliked to talk after Khutba right before the Jummah prayer.

Op.2. : It is permissible for a need.

Resources:

Summary from the book “ The complete blessing in understanding of the Quran and the authentic Hadith of Sunnah) Sheikh Adel Al Azzazi.

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