

146674 - Adhaan and iqamah for one who is praying alone

the question

I often offer the obligatory prayers on my own because there is no mosque near me. Do I have to give the adhaan and iqamah for every prayer, or is it permissible for me to pray without any adhaan or iqamah?.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

The Sunnah is to give the adhaan and iqamah. As to whether it is obligatory, there is a difference of opinion among the scholars. It is better and more on the safe side for you to give the adhaan then the iqamah, because of the general meaning of the evidence. But you should pray in congregation whenever possible. If there is a congregation or you can hear the call to prayer from a mosque near you, then it is obligatory for you to respond to the muezzin and attend the prayer in congregation. If you cannot hear the call and there is no mosque near you, the Sunnah is for you to give the adhaan yourself, then the iqamah. End quote.

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