

The Wisdom behind Sirri and Jahri Recitation

The fifth question of Fatwa no. (10665):

Q 5: Why are Zhuhr (Noon) and `Asr (Afternoon) Prayers offered as Sirri Salahs (Prayer with inaudible recitation) while Maghrib (Sunset) and `Isha' (Night) Prayers are Jahri Salahs (Prayer recited aloud)?

A: We do this following the example of the Prophet (peace be upon him). We offer Sirri Salah in the Salahs he recited inaudibly, and we offer Jahri Salah

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in the Salahs he recited aloud, as Allah stated, (Indeed, in the Messenger of Allâh (Muhammad peace be upon him) you have a good example to follow) (Surah Al-Ahzab, 33: 21). The Prophet (peace be upon him) stated, (Offer Salah in the manner you have seen me doing.) Narrated by Al-Bukahri in his Sahih (authentic) Book of Hadith.

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family and Companions!

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