



Tahiyyat-ul-Masjid and the Sunnah of Fajr Prayer

The second question of Fatwa no. 7396

Q 2: I entered the Masjid (mosque) after the Adhan (call to Prayer) of Fajr (Dawn Prayer). The time was too short for me to offer Tahiyat-ul-Masjid (two-unit Prayer to greet the mosque). Should I have waited for the Iqamah (call to start the Prayer) that would begin shortly or

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offered Tahiyat-ul-Masjid and then join the congregational Salah? If the time I have is sufficient only for either offering Tahiyat-ul-Masjid or the Sunnah of Fajr, which one should be performed?

A: If this is the case, perform the Sunnah of Fajr and it will be sufficient for Tahiyat-ul-Masjid even if there is enough time for both. In case the Iqamah (call to start the Prayer) of Fajr is pronounced before you finish the Sunnah of Fajr, it is better to stop the Sunnah and join the congregational Salah of Fajr after which you should offer the Sunnah or you may offer it after the sunrise.

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

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