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**What is the ruling on a person who abandons congregational Salah (Prayer) and prays alone?**

**The tenth question of Fatwa no. 4325**

**Q 10: Is the Salah of a person who prays alone considered valid if he abandons joining the congregational Salah?**

**A:** It is obligatory to offer Salah in congregation. If a person prays alone while a congregational Salah is being offered, he will be doing something opposite to the Sunnah (whatever reported from the Prophet). This view is based on the reported evidence of Shari`ah in this regard.

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

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