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ECLIPSE PRAYER

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SOLAR ECLIPSE

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INTRODUCTION

SURAH AZ ZUMAR 16

لَهُمْ مِّنْ فَوْقِهِمْ ظُلَلٌ مِّنَ النَّارِ وَمِن تَحْتِهِمْ ظُلَلٌ ۗ ذَٰلِكَ يُخَوِّفُ اللَّهُ بِهِ عِبَادَهُ ۗ يَا عِبَادِ فَاتَّقُونِ

They shall have coverings of Fire, above them and covering (of Fire) beneath them. With this Allah does frighten His slaves: "O My slaves, therefore fear Me!"

SURAH AL FURQAN 62

وَهُوَ الَّذِي جَعَلَ اللَّيْلَ وَالنَّهَارَ خِلْفَةً لِّمَنْ أَرَادَ أَنْ يَدَّكَّرَ أَوْ أَرَادَ شُكُورًا

And He it is Who has put the night and the day in succession, for such who desires to remember or desires to show his gratitude

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THE SUN

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6. الشَّمْسِ تَسْجُدُ – it prostrates
7. الَّذِي خَلَقَهُنَّ – it is created by Allah (سبحانه وتعالى), so not prostrate to it
8. الشَّمْسِ سِرَاجًا – it is like a great lamp

AYAT REFERENCE OF THE DESCRIPTION OF THE SUN

1.

الرحمن - الآية 5

الشَّمْسُ وَالْقَمَرُ بِحُسْبَانٍ

2.

يونس - الآية 5

هُوَ الَّذِي جَعَلَ الشَّمْسَ ضِيَاءً وَالْقَمَرَ نُورًا وَقَدَرَهُ مَنَازِلَ لِتَعْلَمُوا عَدَدَ السِّنِينَ وَالْحِسَابَ ۗ مَا خَلَقَ اللَّهُ ذَلِكَ إِلَّا بِالْحَقِّ ۗ يُفَصِّلُ الْآيَاتِ لِقَوْمٍ يَعْلَمُونَ

3.

الرعد - الآية 2

اللَّهُ الَّذِي رَفَعَ السَّمَاوَاتِ بِغَيْرِ عَمَدٍ تَرَوْنَهَا ثُمَّ اسْتَوَىٰ عَلَى الْعَرْشِ ۗ وَسَخَّرَ الشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ كُلًّا يَجْرِي لِأَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى ۗ يُدَبِّرُ الْأَمْرَ يُفَصِّلُ الْآيَاتِ لَعَلَّكُمْ بِلِقَاءِ رَبِّكُمْ تُوقِنُونَ

4.

ابراهيم - الآية 33

وَسَخَّرَ لَكُمُ الشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ دَائِبِينَ ۖ وَسَخَّرَ لَكُمُ اللَّيْلَ وَالنَّهَارَ

5.

الأنبياء - الآية 33

وَهُوَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ اللَّيْلَ وَالنَّهَارَ وَالشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ ۗ كُلٌّ فِي فَلَكٍ يَسْبَحُونَ

6.

الحج - الآية 18

أَلَمْ تَرَ أَنَّ اللَّهَ يَسْجُدُ لَهُ مَنْ فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ وَمَنْ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَالشَّمْسُ وَالْقَمَرُ وَالنُّجُومُ وَالْجِبَالُ وَالشَّجَرُ
وَالدَّوَابُّ وَكَثِيرٌ مِّنَ النَّاسِ ۗ وَكَثِيرٌ حَقَّ عَلَيْهِ الْعَذَابُ ۗ وَمَنْ يُهِنِ اللَّهُ فَمَا لَهُ مِنْ مُّكْرِمٍ ۗ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَفْعَلُ مَا

يَشَاءُ ﴿۱۸﴾

7.

فصلت - الآية 37

وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ اللَّيْلُ وَالنَّهَارُ وَالشَّمْسُ وَالْقَمَرُ ۗ لَا تَسْجُدُوا لِلشَّمْسِ وَلَا لِلْقَمَرِ وَاسْجُدُوا لِلَّهِ الَّذِي خَلَقَهُنَّ إِن
كُنْتُمْ إِيَّاهُ تَعْبُدُونَ

8.

نوح - الآية 16

وَجَعَلَ الْقَمَرَ فِيهِنَّ نُورًا وَجَعَلَ الشَّمْسَ سِرَاجًا



SURAH ASH SHAMS

- Surah Ash Shams is about purification of the self. Successful is the one who purifies his self and humiliated is the one who corrupts it.

SURAH ASH SHAMS 9 TO 10

9.

قَدْ أَفْلَحَ مَنْ زَكَّاهَا

Indeed he succeeds who purifies his ownself (i.e. obeys and performs all that Allah ordered, by following the true Faith of Islamic Monotheism and by doing righteous good deeds).

10.

وَقَدْ خَابَ مَنْ دَسَّاهَا

And indeed he fails who corrupts his ownself (i.e. disobeys what Allah has ordered by rejecting the true Faith of Islamic Monotheism or by following polytheism or by doing every kind of evil wicked deeds).

- The sun has a glow which cannot be mistaken and the self will glow when it is lit with the light of revelation.

SOLAR ECLIPSE

- The word (خسوف) means change. The glow of the sun is dimmed during an eclipse, whether partially or totally.
- An eclipse is an ayah among Allah's ayat to cause us to be afraid since it is a warning. It is not a celebration nor is it a punishment.
- The eclipse prayer is a highly recommended sunnah.

وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ اللَّيْلُ وَالنَّهَارُ وَالشَّمْسُ وَالْقَمَرُ لَا تَسْجُدُوا لِلشَّمْسِ وَلَا لِلْقَمَرِ وَاسْجُدُوا لِلَّهِ الَّذِي

خَلَقَهُنَّ إِن كُنتُمْ إِيَّاهُ تَعْبُدُونَ

And from among His Signs are the night and the day, and the sun and the moon. Prostrate yourselves not to the sun nor to the moon, but prostrate yourselves to Allah Who created them, if you (really) worship Him.

HADITHS ABOUT THE ECLIPSE

HOW TO PRAY THE ECLIPSE PRAYER

خَسَفَتِ الشَّمْسُ فِي عَهْدِ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ، فَصَلَّى رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ بِالنَّاسِ، فَقَامَ، فَأَطَالَ الْقِيَامَ، ثُمَّ رَكَعَ، فَأَطَالَ الرَّكُوعَ، ثُمَّ قَامَ فَأَطَالَ الْقِيَامَ وَهُوَ دُونَ الْقِيَامِ الْأَوَّلِ، ثُمَّ رَكَعَ فَأَطَالَ الرَّكُوعَ وَهُوَ دُونَ الرَّكُوعِ الْأَوَّلِ، ثُمَّ سَجَدَ فَأَطَالَ السُّجُودَ، ثُمَّ فَعَلَ فِي الرَّكْعَةِ الثَّانِيَةِ مِثْلَ مَا فَعَلَ فِي الْأُولَى، ثُمَّ انْصَرَفَ وَقَدِ انْجَلَتِ الشَّمْسُ، فَخَطَبَ النَّاسَ، فَحَمِدَ اللَّهَ وَأَثْنَى عَلَيْهِ، ثُمَّ قَالَ: إِنَّ الشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ آيَاتَانِ مِنْ آيَاتِ اللَّهِ، لَا يَخْسِفَانِ لِمَوْتِ أَحَدٍ وَلَا لِحَيَاتِهِ، فَإِذَا رَأَيْتُمْ ذَلِكَ، فَادْعُوا اللَّهَ، وَكَبِّرُوا وَصَلُّوا وَتَصَدَّقُوا. ثُمَّ قَالَ: يَا أُمَّةَ مُحَمَّدٍ وَاللَّهِ مَا مِنْ أَحَدٍ أُغْيِرَ مِنَ اللَّهِ أَنْ يَزِيَنِي عَبْدُهُ أَوْ تَزِيَنِي أُمَّتُهُ، يَا أُمَّةَ مُحَمَّدٍ وَاللَّهِ لَوْ تَعْلَمُونَ مَا أَعْلَمُ لَصَحِحْتُمْ قَلِيلًا وَلَبَكَيْتُمْ كَثِيرًا.

الراوي : عائشة أم المؤمنين | المحدث : البخاري | المصدر : صحيح البخاري

الصفحة أو الرقم: 1044 | خلاصة حكم المحدث : صحيح

In the lifetime of Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) the sun eclipsed, so he led the people in prayer, and stood up and performed a long Qiyam, then bowed for a long while. He stood up again and performed a long Qiyam but this time the period of standing was



shorter than the first. He bowed again for a long time but shorter than the first one, then he prostrated and prolonged the prostration. He did the same in the second rak`a as he did in the first and then finished the prayer; by then the sun (eclipse) had cleared. He delivered the Khutba (sermon) and after praising and glorifying Allah he said, "The sun and the moon are two signs against the signs of Allah; they do not eclipse on the death or life of anyone. So when you see the eclipse, remember Allah and say Takbir, pray and give Sadaqa." The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) then said, "O followers of Muhammad! By Allah! There is none who has more ghaira (selfrespect) than Allah as He has forbidden that His slaves, male or female commit adultery (illegal sexual intercourse). O followers of Muhammad! By Allah! If you knew that which I know you would laugh little and weep much.

Narrator: Aishah Mother of the Believers | Reviewer: Al Bukhari | Source: Sahih Al Bukhari | Number: 1044 | Reviewer's Ruling of Hadith: Sahih

- In one unit, there are two standings and two ruku'. The eclipse is not for the passing away or birth of anyone. The death of the Prophet's son took place on an eclipse so the people assumed it was because of his death, but the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) negates this.
- In this hadith, the eclipse is mentioned and it ends with committing zina and that Allah has gheerah for His slaves. Then he ended with the hadith, "if you know what I knew then you would laugh little and cry much", subhan Allah.
- From this hadith, we learn to be hasty to forgiveness and give charity.
- The eclipse is an ayah of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- We find the Companions determination to follow the Sunnah of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم).

- It is a wake-up call to not be heedless and seek forgiveness.

HOW TO PRAY THE ECLIPSE PRAYER AND REMINDER TO BE PROTECTED FROM THE PUNISHMENT

أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ صَلَّى صَلَاةَ الْكُسُوفِ، فَقَامَ فَأَطَالَ الْقِيَامَ، ثُمَّ رَكَعَ فَأَطَالَ الرَّكُوعَ، ثُمَّ قَامَ فَأَطَالَ الْقِيَامَ، ثُمَّ رَكَعَ فَأَطَالَ الرَّكُوعَ، ثُمَّ رَفَعَ، ثُمَّ سَجَدَ، فَأَطَالَ السُّجُودَ، ثُمَّ رَفَعَ، ثُمَّ سَجَدَ، فَأَطَالَ السُّجُودَ، ثُمَّ قَامَ، فَأَطَالَ الْقِيَامَ، ثُمَّ رَكَعَ فَأَطَالَ الرَّكُوعَ، ثُمَّ رَفَعَ فَأَطَالَ الْقِيَامَ ثُمَّ رَكَعَ، فَأَطَالَ الرَّكُوعَ، ثُمَّ رَفَعَ، فَسَجَدَ، فَأَطَالَ السُّجُودَ، ثُمَّ رَفَعَ، ثُمَّ سَجَدَ، فَأَطَالَ السُّجُودَ، ثُمَّ انْصَرَفَ، فَقَالَ: قَدْ دَنَتْ مِنِّي الْجَنَّةُ، حَتَّى لَوْ اجْتَرَأْتُ عَلَيْهَا، لَجِئْتُكُمْ بِقِطَافٍ مِنْ قِطَافِهَا، وَدَنَتْ مِنِّي النَّارُ حَتَّى قُلْتُ: أَي رَبِّ، وَأَنَا مَعَهُمْ؟ فَإِذَا امْرَأَةٌ - حَسِبْتُ أَنَّهُ قَالَ - تَخْدِشُهَا هِرَّةٌ، قُلْتُ: مَا شَأْنُ هَذِهِ؟ قَالُوا: حَبَسَتْهَا حَتَّى مَاتَتْ جُوعًا، لَا أَطْعَمْتَهَا، وَلَا أَرْسَلْتَهَا تَأْكُلُ - قَالَ نَافِعٌ: حَسِبْتُ أَنَّهُ قَالَ: مِنْ خَشْيَةِ شَيْءٍ - أَوْ خَشَايِشِ الْأَرْضِ.

الراوي : أسماء بنت أبي بكر | المحدث : البخاري | المصدر : صحيح البخاري

الصفحة أو الرقم: 745 | خلاصة حكم المحدث : صحيح

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) once offered the eclipse prayer. He stood for a long time and then did a prolonged bowing. He stood up straight again and kept on standing for a long time, then bowed a long bowing and then stood up straight and then prostrated a prolonged prostration and then lifted his head and prostrated a prolonged prostration. And then he stood up for a long time and then did a prolonged bowing and then stood up straight again and kept on standing for a long time. Then he bowed a long bowing and then stood up straight and then prostrated a prolonged prostration and then lifted his head and went for a prolonged prostration. On completion of the prayer, he said, "Paradise became has near to me that if I had dared, I would have plucked one of its bunches for you and Hell became so near to me that said, 'O my Lord will I be among those people?' Then suddenly I saw a woman and a cat was lacerating her with it claws. On inquiring, it was said that the woman had imprisoned



the cat until it died of starvation and she neither fed it no freed it so that it could feed itself."

Narrator: Asma bint Abi Baker | Reviewer: Al Bukhari | Source: Sahih Al Bukhari | Number: 745 | Reviewer's Ruling of Hadith: Sahih

- In this hadith, it also mentions the eclipse prayer, but ends with the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) saying "I saw paradise near to me and I saw hellfire. I saw in the hellfire a woman who was being punished for starving a cat and not giving it food until it died". Notice both the hadiths are reminders to do good and avert any kind of punishment.
- We want paradise to be near to us and the hellfire away from us.

TO FREE A SLAVE DURING AN ECLIPSE

لَقَدْ أَمَرَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ بِالْعَتَاقَةِ فِي كُسُوفِ الشَّمْسِ.

الراوي : أسماء بنت أبي بكر | المحدث : البخاري | المصدر : صحيح البخاري

الصفحة أو الرقم: 1054 | خلاصة حكم المحدث : صحيح

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) ordered people to free the slaves during the solar eclipse.

Narrator: Asma bint Abi Baker | Reviewer: Al Bukhari | Source: Sahih Al Bukhari | Number: 1054 | Reviewer's Ruling of Hadith: Sahih

RULINGS ABOUT THE ECLIPSE PRAYER

- The prayer is prayed in congregation and it is permissible for the woman to pray it as well.

MAY ALLAH (ﷻ) GRANT TAWQA TO OUR NAFS AND PURIFY IT.

AMEEN.



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Solar Eclipse

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Introduction

Surah Az Zumar 16:

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They shall have coverings of Fire, above them and covering (of Fire) beneath them. With this Allah does frighten His slaves: "O My slaves, therefore fear Me!"

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الرحمن - الآية 5

الشَّمْسُ وَالْقَمَرُ بِحُسْبَانٍ

يونس - الآية 5

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الرعد - الآية 2

اللَّهُ الَّذِي رَفَعَ السَّمَاوَاتِ بِغَيْرِ عَمَدٍ تَرَوْنَهَا ۗ ثُمَّ اسْتَوَىٰ عَلَى الْعَرْشِ ۗ وَسَخَّرَ الشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ ۗ كُلٌّ يَجْرِي لِأَجَلٍ مُّسَمًّى ۗ يُدَبِّرُ الْأَمْرَ يُفَصِّلُ الْآيَاتِ لَعَلَّكُمْ بِلِقَاءِ رَبِّكُمْ تُوقِنُونَ

ابراهيم - الآية 33

وَسَخَّرَ لَكُمْ الشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ دَائِبَيْنِ ۗ وَسَخَّرَ لَكُمُ اللَّيْلَ وَالنَّهَارَ

الأنبياء - الآية 33

وَهُوَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ اللَّيْلَ وَالنَّهَارَ وَالشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ ۗ كُلٌّ فِي فَلَكٍ يَسْبَحُونَ

الحج - الآية 18

أَلَمْ تَرَ أَنَّ اللَّهَ يَسْجُدُ لَهُ مَنْ فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ وَمَنْ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَالشَّمْسُ وَالْقَمَرُ وَالنُّجُومُ وَالْجِبَالُ وَالشَّجَرُ

وَالدَّوَابُّ وَكَثِيرٌ مِّنَ النَّاسِ ۗ وَكَثِيرٌ حَقَّ عَلَيْهِ الْعَذَابُ ۗ وَمَنْ يُهِنِ اللَّهُ فَمَا لَهُ مِن مُّكْرِمٍ ۗ إِنَّ اللَّهَ

يَفْعَلُ مَا يَشَاءُ ﴿۱۸﴾

فصلت - الآية 37

وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ اللَّيْلُ وَالنَّهَارُ وَالشَّمْسُ وَالْقَمَرُ ۗ لَا تَسْجُدُوا لِلشَّمْسِ وَلَا لِلْقَمَرِ وَاسْجُدُوا لِلَّهِ الَّذِي خَلَقَهُنَّ

إِن كُنْتُمْ إِيَّاهُ تَعْبُدُونَ

نوح - الآية 16

وَجَعَلَ الْقَمَرَ فِيهِنَّ نُورًا وَجَعَلَ الشَّمْسَ سِرَاجًا



Surah Ash Shams

- Surah Ash Shams is about purification of the self. Successful is the one who purifies his self and humiliated is the one who corrupts it.

Surah Ash Shams 9 to 10:

قَدْ أَفْلَحَ مَنْ زَكَّاهَا

Indeed he succeeds who purifies his ownself (i.e. obeys and performs all that Allah ordered, by following the true Faith of Islamic Monotheism and by doing righteous good deeds).

10.

وَقَدْ خَابَ مَنْ دَسَّاهَا

And indeed he fails who corrupts his ownself (i.e. disobeys what Allah has ordered by rejecting the true Faith of Islamic Monotheism or by following polytheism or by doing every kind of evil wicked deeds).

- The sun has a glow which cannot be mistaken and the self will glow when it is lit with the light of revelation.

Solar Eclipse

- The word (خسوف) means change. The glow of the sun is dimmed during an eclipse, whether partially or totally.
- An eclipse is an ayah among Allah's ayat to cause us to be afraid since it is a warning. It is not a celebration nor is it a punishment.
- The eclipse prayer is a highly recommended sunnah.

Surah Fussilat 37:

وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ اللَّيْلُ وَالنَّهَارُ وَالشَّمْسُ وَالْقَمَرُ ۚ لَا تَسْجُدُوا لِلشَّمْسِ وَلَا لِلْقَمَرِ وَاسْجُدُوا لِلَّهِ الَّذِي
خَلَقَهُنَّ إِن كُنتُمْ إِيَّاهُ تَعْبُدُونَ

And from among His Signs are the night and the day, and the sun and the moon. Prostrate yourselves not to the sun nor to the moon, but prostrate yourselves to Allah Who created them, if you (really) worship Him.

Hadiths about the Eclipse

Hadith:

خَسَفَتِ الشَّمْسُ فِي عَهْدِ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ، فَصَلَّى رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ بِالنَّاسِ، فَقَامَ، فَأَطَالَ الْقِيَامَ، ثُمَّ رَكَعَ، فَأَطَالَ الرَّكُوعَ، ثُمَّ قَامَ فَأَطَالَ الْقِيَامَ وَهُوَ دُونَ الْقِيَامِ الْأَوَّلِ، ثُمَّ رَكَعَ فَأَطَالَ الرَّكُوعَ وَهُوَ دُونَ الرَّكُوعِ الْأَوَّلِ، ثُمَّ سَجَدَ فَأَطَالَ السُّجُودَ، ثُمَّ فَعَلَ فِي الرَّكْعَةِ الثَّانِيَةِ مِثْلَ مَا فَعَلَ فِي الْأُولَى، ثُمَّ انْصَرَفَ وَقَدِ انْجَلَتِ الشَّمْسُ، فَخَطَبَ النَّاسَ، فَحَمِدَ اللَّهَ وَأَثْنَى عَلَيْهِ، ثُمَّ قَالَ: إِنَّ الشَّمْسَ وَالْقَمَرَ آيَاتَانِ مِنْ آيَاتِ اللَّهِ، لَا يَخْسِفَانِ لِمَوْتِ أَحَدٍ وَلَا لِحَيَاتِهِ، فَإِذَا رَأَيْتُمْ ذَلِكَ، فَادْعُوا اللَّهَ، وَكَبِّرُوا وَصَلُّوا وَتَصَدَّقُوا. ثُمَّ قَالَ: يَا أُمَّةَ مُحَمَّدٍ وَاللَّهِ مَا مِنْ أَحَدٍ أُغْيِرُ مِنَ اللَّهِ أَنْ يَزِينِي عَبْدُهُ أَوْ تَزِينِي أُمَّتُهُ، يَا أُمَّةَ مُحَمَّدٍ وَاللَّهِ لَوْ تَعْلَمُونَ مَا أَعْلَمَ لَصَحِحْتُمْ قَلِيلًا وَلَبَكَيْتُمْ كَثِيرًا.

الراوي : عائشة أم المؤمنين | المحدث : البخاري | المصدر : صحيح البخاري

الصفحة أو الرقم: 1044 | خلاصة حكم المحدث : صحيح

In the lifetime of Allah's Messenger (صلى الله عليه وسلم) the sun eclipsed, so he led the people in prayer, and stood up and performed a long Qiyam, then bowed for a long while. He stood up again and performed a long Qiyam but this time the period of standing was shorter than the first. He bowed again for a long time but shorter than the first one, then he prostrated and prolonged the prostration. He did the same in the second rak`a as he did in the first and then finished



the prayer; by then the sun (eclipse) had cleared. He delivered the Khutba (sermon) and after praising and glorifying Allah he said, "The sun and the moon are two signs against the signs of Allah; they do not eclipse on the death or life of anyone. So when you see the eclipse, remember Allah and say Takbir, pray and give Sadaqa." The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) then said, "O followers of Muhammad! By Allah! There is none who has more ghaira (selfrespect) than Allah as He has forbidden that His slaves, male or female commit adultery (illegal sexual intercourse). O followers of Muhammad! By Allah! If you knew that which I know you would laugh little and weep much.

Narrator: Aishah Mother of the Believers | Reviewer: Al Bukhari | Source: Sahih Al Bukhari | Number: 1044 | Reviewer's Ruling of Hadith: Sahih

- In one unit, there are two standings and two ruku'. The eclipse is not for the passing away or birth of anyone. The death of the Prophet's son took place on an eclipse so the people assumed it was because of his death, but the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) negates this.
- In this hadith, the eclipse is mentioned and it ends with committing zina and that Allah has gheerah for His slaves. Then he ended with the hadith, "if you know what I knew then you would laugh little and cry much", subhan Allah.
- From this hadith, we learn to be hasty to forgiveness and give charity.

- The eclipse is an ayah of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).
- We find the Companions determination to follow the sunnah of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم).
- It is a wake-up call to not be heedless and seek forgiveness.

Hadith:

أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ صَلَّى صَلَاةَ الْكُسُوفِ، فَقَامَ فَأَطَالَ الْقِيَامَ، ثُمَّ رَكَعَ فَأَطَالَ الرَّكُوعَ، ثُمَّ قَامَ فَأَطَالَ الْقِيَامَ، ثُمَّ رَكَعَ فَأَطَالَ الرَّكُوعَ، ثُمَّ رَفَعَ، ثُمَّ سَجَدَ، فَأَطَالَ السُّجُودَ، ثُمَّ رَفَعَ، ثُمَّ سَجَدَ، فَأَطَالَ السُّجُودَ، ثُمَّ قَامَ، فَأَطَالَ الْقِيَامَ، ثُمَّ رَكَعَ فَأَطَالَ الرَّكُوعَ، ثُمَّ رَفَعَ فَأَطَالَ الْقِيَامَ ثُمَّ رَكَعَ، فَأَطَالَ الرَّكُوعَ، ثُمَّ رَفَعَ، فَسَجَدَ، فَأَطَالَ السُّجُودَ، ثُمَّ رَفَعَ، ثُمَّ سَجَدَ، فَأَطَالَ السُّجُودَ، ثُمَّ انْصَرَفَ، فَقَالَ: قَدْ دَنَتْ مِنِّي الْجَنَّةُ، حَتَّى لَوْ اجْتَرَأْتُ عَلَيْهَا، لَجِئْتُكُمْ بِقِطَافٍ مِنْ قِطَافِهَا، وَدَنَتْ مِنِّي النَّارُ حَتَّى قُلْتُ: أَيُّ رَبِّ، وَأَنَا مَعَهُمْ؟ فَإِذَا امْرَأَةٌ - حَسِبْتُ أَنَّهَا قَالَ - تَخْدِشُهَا هِرَّةٌ، قُلْتُ: مَا شَأْنُ هَذِهِ؟ قَالُوا: حَبَسَتْهَا حَتَّى مَاتَتْ جُوعًا، لَا أَطْعَمْتَهَا، وَلَا أَرْسَلْتَهَا تَأْكُلُ - قَالَ نَافِعٌ: حَسِبْتُ أَنَّهَا قَالَ: مِنْ خَشْيَتِهِ - أَوْ خَشَايِشِ الْأَرْضِ.

الراوي : أسماء بنت أبي بكر | المحدث : البخاري | المصدر : صحيح البخاري

الصفحة أو الرقم: 745 | خلاصة حكم المحدث : صحيح

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) once offered the eclipse prayer. He stood for a long time and then did a prolonged bowing. He stood up straight again and kept on standing for a long time, then bowed a long bowing and then stood up straight and then prostrated a prolonged



prostration and then lifted his head and prostrated a prolonged prostration. And then he stood up for a long time and then did a prolonged bowing and then stood up straight again and kept on standing for a long time. Then he bowed a long bowing and then stood up straight and then prostrated a prolonged prostration and then lifted his head and went for a prolonged prostration. On completion of the prayer, he said, "Paradise became as near to me that if I had dared, I would have plucked one of its bunches for you and Hell became so near to me that it said, 'O my Lord will I be among those people?' Then suddenly I saw a woman and a cat was lacerating her with its claws. On inquiring, it was said that the woman had imprisoned the cat until it died of starvation and she neither fed it nor freed it so that it could feed itself."

Narrator: Asma bint Abi Baker | Reviewer: Al Bukhari | Source: Sahih Al Bukhari | Number: 745 | Reviewer's Ruling of Hadith: Sahih

- In this hadith, it also mentions the eclipse prayer, but ends with the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) saying "I saw paradise near to me and I saw hellfire. I saw in the hellfire a woman who was being punished for starving a cat and not giving it food until it died". Notice both the hadiths are reminders to do good and avert any kind of punishment.
- We want paradise to be near to us and the hellfire away from us.



Hadith:

لَقَدْ أَمَرَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ بِالْعَتَاقَةِ فِي كُسُوفِ الشَّمْسِ.

الراوي : أسماء بنت أبي بكر | المحدث : البخاري | المصدر : صحيح البخاري

الصفحة أو الرقم: 1054 | خلاصة حكم المحدث : صحيح

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) ordered people to free the slaves during the solar eclipse.

Narrator: Asma bint Abi Baker | Reviewer: Al Bukhari | Source: Sahih Al Bukhari | Number: 1054 | Reviewer's Ruling of Hadith: Sahih

Rulings about the Eclipse Prayer

- The prayer is prayed in congregation and it is permissible for the woman to pray it as well.

May Allah (ﷻ) grant tawqā to our nafs and purify it. Ameen.

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HOW TO PERFORM THE ECLIPSE PRAYER

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The eclipse prayer consists of two units of prayer with two standing and two bowings in each unit. This is to be prayed at home. An eclipse is an ayah from Allah's ayat and it is an opportunity for us to repent and return back to Allah (سبحانه وتعالى).

1. Takbeerat Al Ihraam: Say "Allahu Akbar"
2. Recite Surah Al Fatiha
3. Recommended to recite a long surah and it can be read from the mus'haf
4. Bow and prolong in magnifying Allah
5. Rise from bowing and say "Allah responds to the one who praises Him, our Lord and to You is all praise"
6. Recite Surah Al Fatiha and another long recitation, but shorter than previous
7. Bow again prolonged like before, but shorter than previous
8. Rise from bowing and say "Allah responds to the one who praises Him, Our Lord to You is all praise"
9. Then go down for two prostrations as usual
10. Rise for the second unit and do the same as the first unit
11. Sit for tashahud and then tasleem

