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Muhammad Ibn Ismail al-Bukhari popularly known as Imam Bukhari, (810-870AD), was a Sunni Islamic scholar. He authored the Hadith collection named *Sahih Bukhari*, a collection which Sunni Muslims regard as the most authentic of all Hadith compilations. Bukhari wrote three works discussing narrators of Hadith with respect to their ability in conveying their material: the "brief compendium of Hadith narrators," "the medium compendium" and the "large compendium". The large compendium is published and well-identified.

Prostration During Recital

Ahadith 13

(1067-1079)



In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

Prostrations during the recitation of the Qur'an

Hadith # 1067

Narrated `Abdullah bin Mas`ud:

The Prophet (^{##}) recited Surat an-Najm at Mecca and prostrated while reciting it and those who were with him did the same except an old man who took a handful of small stones or earth and lifted it to his forehead and said, "This is sufficient for me." Later on, I saw him killed as a non-believer.

To prostrate during the recitation of Salat Tanzil -As-Sajda

Hadith # 1068

Narrated Abu Huraira:

On Fridays the Prophet (#) used to recite

- Alif Lam Mim Tanzil-As-Sajda (in the first rak`a) and

- Hal ata `alal-insani i.e. Surat ad-Dahr (76) in the second rak`a, in the Fajr prayer.

To prostrate while reciting Surat Sad

Hadith # 1069

Narrated Ibn `Abbas:

The prostration of Sa`d is not a compulsory one but I saw the Prophet (^{see}) prostrating while reciting it.

The prostration in An-Najm

Hadith # 1070

Narrated `Abdullah bin Mas`ud:

The Prophet (**) recited Surat-an-Najm (53) and prostrated while reciting it and all the people prostrated and a man amongst the people took a handful of stones or earth and raised it to his face and said, "This is sufficient for me. Later on I saw him killed as a non-believer."

The prostration of Muslims along with *Mushrikun* who are *Najasun* (impure)

Hadith # 1071

Narrated Ibn `Abbas:

The Prophet (^(#)) prostrated while reciting An-Najm and with him prostrated the Muslims, the pagans, the jinns, and all human beings.

Whoever recited the verses of prostration and did not prostrate

Hadith # 1072

Narrated `Ata' bin Yasar:

I asked Zaid bin Thabit about prostration on which he said that he had recited An-Najm before the Prophet, yet he (the Prophet) had not performed a prostration.

Hadith # 1073

Narrated Zaid bin Thabit:

I recited An-Najm before the Prophet, yet he did not perform a prostration.

Prostration while reciting Idhat-Sama'un-Shaqqat

Hadith # 1074

Narrated Abu Salma:

I saw Abu Huraira reciting *Idha-Sama' un-Shaqqat*and he prostrated during its recitation. I asked Abu Huraira, "Didn't I see you prostrating?"

Abu Huraira said, "Had I not seen the Prophet (^(#)) prostrating, I would not have prostrated."

Who prostrated with the prostration of the reciter

Hadith # 1075

Narrated Ibn `Umar:

When the Prophet (^{seg}) recited a Sura that contained the prostration he would prostrate and we would do the same and some of us (because of the heavy rush) could not find a place for prostration.

The overcrowding of the people when the Imam recites *As-Sajda*

Hadith # 1076

Narrated Ibn `Umar:

When the Prophet (^(#)) recited Surat *As-Sajda* and we were with him, he would prostrate and we also would prostrate with him and some of us (because of the heavy rush) would not find a place (for our foreheads) to prostrate on.

Whoever thinks that Allah has not made prostration of recitation compulsory

Hadith # 1077

Narrated Rabi`a:

`Umar bin Al-Khattab recited Surat-an-Nahl on a Friday on the pulpit and when he reached the verse of Sajda he got down from the pulpit and prostrated and the people also prostrated.

The next Friday `Umar bin Al-Khattab recited the same Sura and when he reached the verse of Sajda he said,

"O people! When we recite the verses of Sajda (during the sermon) whoever prostrates does the right thing, yet it is no sin for the one who does not prostrate." And `Umar did not prostrate (that day).

Added Ibn `Umar "Allah has not made the prostration of recitation compulsory but if we wish we can do it."

Whoever recited the Verse of Sajda during the Salat (prayer) and prostrated

Hadith # 1078

Narrated Abu Rafi`:

I offered the `Isha' prayer behind Abu Huraira and he recited *Idhas-Sama' Un-Shaqqat*, and prostrated. I said, "What is this?" Abu Huraira said, "I prostrated behind Abul-Qasim and I will do the same till I meet him."

Whoever does not find a place for prostration (with the Imam) because of overcrowding

Hadith # 1079

Narrated Ibn `Umar:

Whenever the Prophet ([#]) recited the Sura which contained the prostration of recitation he used to prostrate and then, we, too, would prostrate and some of us did not find a place for prostration.

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