STUDY GUIDE



VIRTUE OF FIRIDAY

"WHY A MUSLIM CANNOT AFFORD TO NEGLECT THE VIRTUES OF FRIDAY?"

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From the series: Virtue of Friday "Why a Muslim Cannot Afford To Neglect The Virtues of Friday?"



COURSE TOPICS:

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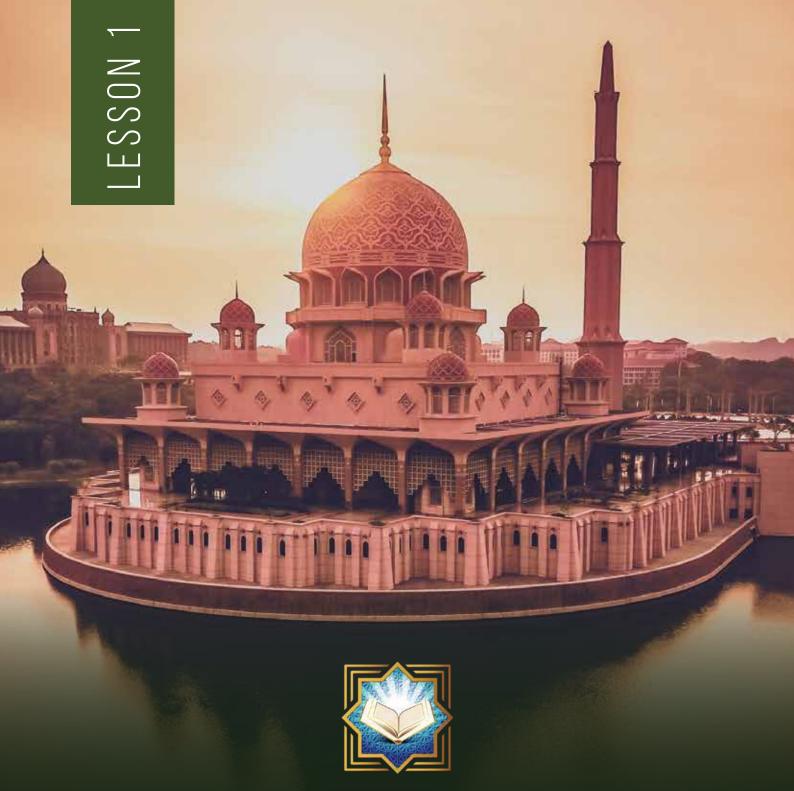


COURSE OBJECTIVES:

To learn what should be done of recommended 1 and compulsory deeds on Jumu'ah To learn what should be avoided of Makrooh 2 and Haraam deeds on Jumu'ah 3 To get acquainted with the virtues of Jumu'ah **QUESTION & ANSWER BUCKET TRANSCRIPTS** \int ASSESSMENT **Multiple Choice Questions** Match the Columns **True or False**

COURSE DURATION

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First, it is the best day of the week

Our Beloved Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, said, as is mentioned in Sunan Abu Dawood, volume number one, Hadeeth number 1047, "The best of your days is Friday, for on that day Adam, peace be upon him, was created and on that day he died and on that day, the Trumpet will be blown and on that day, all of the creatures will swoon."

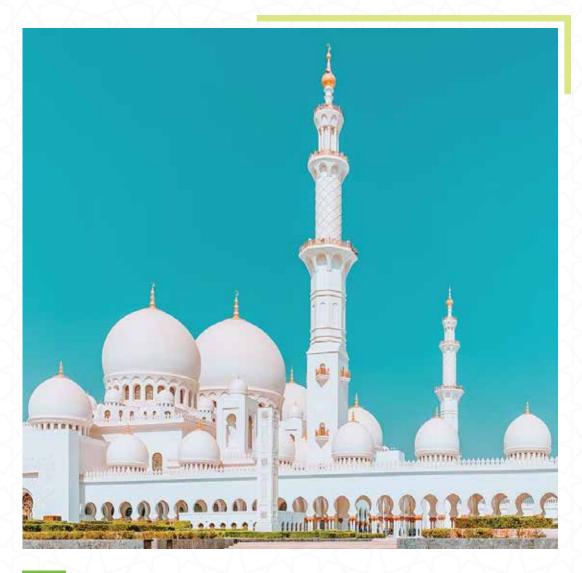


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Second, Jumu'ah Salaah is obligatory

Our beloved Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, said, it is mentioned in Saheeh Muslim, volume number 2, Hadeeth number 1485, regarding those people who stayed away from the Jumu'ah Salaah, our beloved Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, he said, "I intend that an Imam should be appointed for these people and I would want to burn their houses with them inside it, because they stayed away from the Jumu'ah Salaah."





Third, it is an expiation from sins

It is mentioned in Saheeh Muslim, volume number 1, Hadeeth number 550, "As salawaatul khams al jumu'atu ilal jumu'ah kaffaaratun limaa baynahun maa lam tughshal kabaa'ir" that the five daily prayers between one Jumu'ah to the other Jumu'ah is an expiation for the sins as long as a person stays away from the major sins."

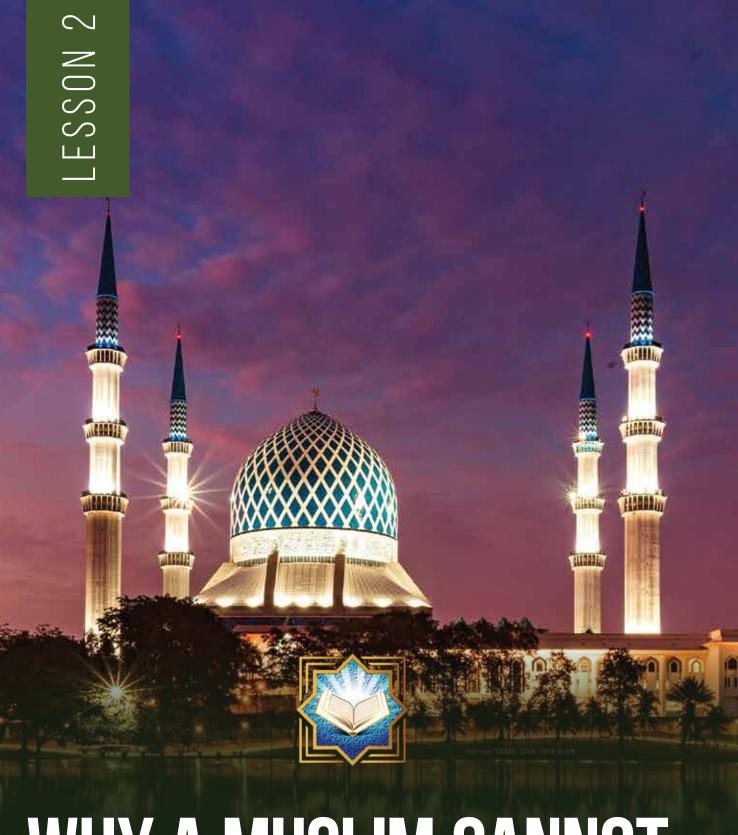


Fourth, the angels record the comers chronologically

Our beloved Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, said, it is mentioned in Saheeh Al Bukhaari, volume number 2, Hadeeth number 929, that on the day of Friday the angels, they stand at the gates of the Masjid and they write down the names of all those people who come to the Masjid in succession based upon their arrivals. The first people who come in the earliest hour, they will get the reward like that of sacrificing a camel. The people who come after them, they will get the reward like that of sacrificing a cow and then a ram and then a chicken and then an egg respectively.

So, the early arrival is required and the first thing one should do is offer two Rak'ah as Tahiyyatul-Masjid. Even if one enters late while the Imam is delivering the Jumu'ah Khutbah, one has to offer the Tahiyyatul-Masjid.

Then one may pray as much as one wishes, as there is no evidence prescribing any kind or number regarding the acts of worship done before the Kutbah.





What should not be done

Here are a few acts that should be avoided on Jumu'ah:



Sitting in the place of another. The prophet forbade that (Saheeh Al Bukhaari, Vol. 2, Hadeeth number 911)



Stepping over the people's shoulders to sit in the front (Sunan Ibn Majah, Vol. 2, Hadeeth 1115)



Going to the masjid without having taken Ghusl

Saheeh Muslim, Vol. 2, Hadeeth number 1987, the one who performs Ghusl and goes for Jumu'ah and prays what Allah has ordained for him and listens to the Khutbah attentively and prays the Jumu'ah Salaah along with the Imam, he will have his sins forgiven between the two Fridays and three days additional to that".



Separating two people sitting together (Saheeh Muslim, Vol. 2, Hadeeth number 1987)



Speaking during the Khutbah; one should listen attentively (Saheeh Al Bukhaari, vol. 2, Hadeeth 934)





On whom Jumu'ah Salaah is compulsory?

There are six categories of people on whom Jumu'ah Salaah is compulsory:

The Muslims. If a non-Muslim offers Jumu'ah Salaah, it is of no use because he does not have Eemaan.



The adult, i.e., those who has reached the age of puberty



The resident, for a traveller does not have to perform Jumu'ah Salaah



Jumu'ah Salaah is compulsory upon the men, not woman



The sane, for Jumu'ah Salaah is not compulsory upon the insane.



Free men. Jumu'ah Salaah is not compulsory upon slaves.



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Righteous deeds to be done on Jumu'ah I

A Muslim should make sure to do the following:



| Offering the Jumu'ah Salaah

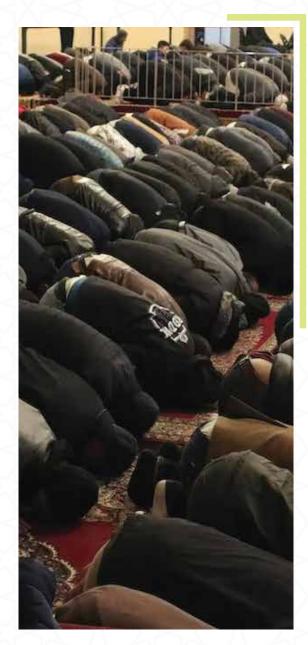


Performing Fajr Salaah in congregation. The prophet (pbuh) said that the best Salaah in the sight of Allah is the Fajr Salaah on the day of Jumu'ah in congregation."



Making Du'aa that is supplicating to Allah

The Prophet (pbuh) said as mentioned in *Sunnh An-Nasai*, *Vol. 2, Hadeeth 1390*, that Friday has 12 hours, and no Muslim calls upon Allah but Allah answers his supplication; so seek the last hour after Asr.









Reciting Surat Al-Kahf. According to the Hadeeth of the prophet (pbuh) it is an enlightenment for him who recites it from that Friday until the next Friday (*Mustadrak Al Hakim*, *Vol. 2, Hadeeth 3391*) from his feet up to the clouds.

One can recite it any time between sunset of Thursday and sunset of Friday.



Taking Ghusl, i.e., taking a bath.

The Prophet Muhammad said, as in *Sunan Al-Nasa'i*, *Vol. 2, Hadeeth 1382*, that whosoever washes, and performs Ghusl, and goes to the masjid, and sits close to the imam, and does not engage in idle talk, for every step that he takes, he will have a years' worth of good deeds, fasting and Qiyaamullayl during it.

Ghusl can be taken any time after the break of dawn right up until the Jumu'ah Salaah. If taken before Fajr, it is not counted as Jumu'ah Ghusl.



Sending salutations to our beloved Prophet pbuh (Sunan Abu Dawood, Vol. 1, Hadeeth number 1047).



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Righteous deeds to be done on Jumu'ah II

Here are a few more acts to be done:



Using the Miswak that is the tooth stick.



The prophet (pbuh) said,

"Had it not been difficult upon my Ummah, I would have commanded them to use the Siwak at the time of every Salaah".

(Saheeh Al Bukhaari, Volume 2, Hadeeth 887)









Wearing the best of clothes.



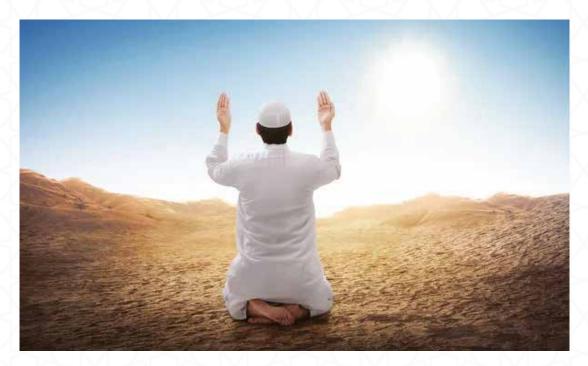
The prophet (pbuh) said,

"Wear from among your garments white garments, for they are the best of clothes, and shroud your dead in them".

(Sunan Abu Dawood Vol. 1, Hadeeth 343).

While putting on our clothes, we should start with the right side.

Besides, it is recommended to follow the Sunnah of the prophet (pbuh) in making Du'aa while wearing clothes. **He would supplicate:** O Allah, praise is due to You. You clothed me with it. I ask You of its good and the good for which it was made. And I seek refuge in You from its evil and the evil for which it was made.



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Applying hair oil or perfume. (Saheeh Al Bukhari, Volume 2, Hadeeth 883)



Trimming off the moustache (Saheeh Al Bukhari, Volume 2, Hadeeth 883)



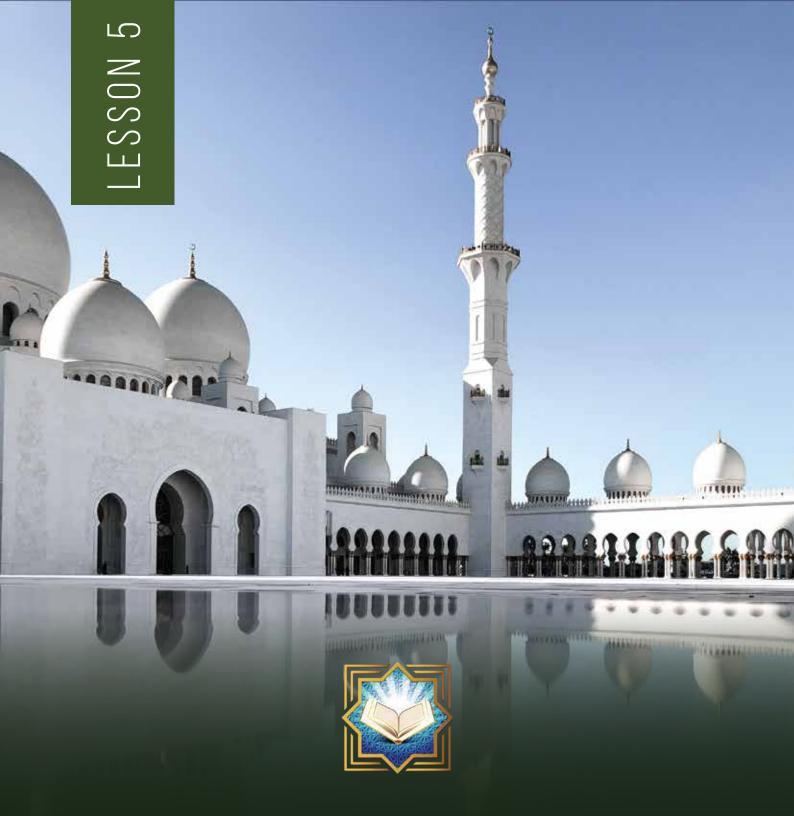
Trimming off the nails. (Saheeh Al Bukhari, Volume 2, Hadeeth 883). This is supported by what Abdullah bin Omar would do. He would trim his nails on Friday.



Reciting Suratus Sajdah and Suratul Insan in the Fajr Salaah of Jumu'ah.









A number of misconceptions have gained credence and acceptance among the people, for example:



Misconceptions related to Friday

That people think that it is a Bid'ah to have two Adhans for Friday, since it was introduced only in the era of the Caliph Othmaan by his command.

Answer: 1. That Islam at the time of Othmaan spread wide and large, and this necessitated that people be informed of the approach of the time of the Salaah earlier so as to give them time to prepare for the Salaah.

2. That the prophet (pbuh) said, "Upon you is following my Sunnah and the Sunnah of the Khulafa Ar-Rashiddin". He is referring to the four rightly -guided Caliphs. Here he is telling us that we should follow him and after him, the four rightly-guided Caliphs.

Usman was, no doubt, one of the four rightly-guided Caliphs.







The second among the misconceptions related to this day of Jumu'ah is people wishing each other Jumu'ah Mubarakah. We find that this is very prevalent.

Answer: There is no authentic Hadeeth of our beloved Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) wherein he wished the Sahabah Jumu'ah Mubarakah, or he commanded us or told us to wish each other Jumu'ah Mubarakah. Neither the Prophet nor the Sahabah wished each other Jumu'ah Mubarakah on this day of Friday.

We should abstain from telling or wishing each other Jumu'ah Mubarakah because there is no evidence for it from the glorious Quran or from the authentic Hadeeth.







Reciting Surah Aali-'Imran & Surah Al-Baqarah on this day of Friday.

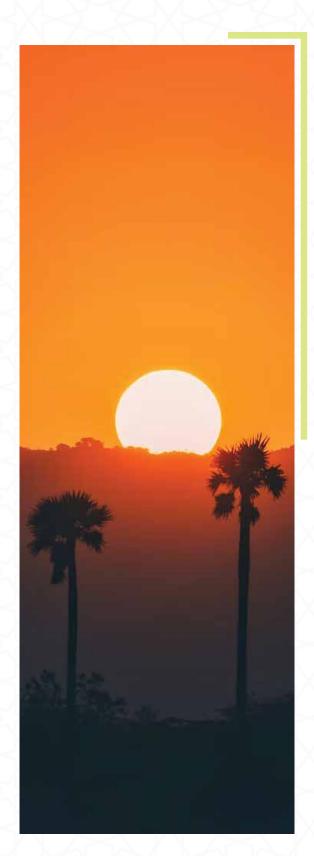
Answer: There is a Hadeeth that is narrated by Al-Tabarani in Al-Awsat as well as in Al-Kabir wherein our beloved Prophet is reported to have said that whosoever recites this Surah on Friday, Allah and the angels will send blessings on him until the sun sets."

Now, this Hadeeth is a weak Hadeeth. There is another Hadeeth about reciting these two Surahs on Friday, but it is also weak. So, no rule could be based on either Hadeeth.



Reciting Surah Yasin on this day of Friday in congregation.

Answer: There is no evidence for it from the Glorious Quran or from the authentic Ahadeeh. So it is baseless; although Surah Yasin is part of the Quran for the recitation of which there is 10 blessings for every single letter, specifying this Surah for Friday requires an evidence.





Acts we are commanded to avoid on Friday



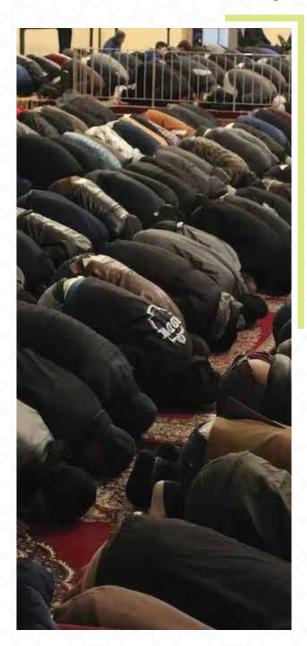
The first is singling out Friday, exclusively and specifically, for fasting. The prophet (pbuh) commanded us not to do so, as is reported in Saheeh Al Bukhaari Hadeeth number 1849, unless one intends to fast one day before it or one day after it. (Saheeh Al Bukhaari Hadeeth number 1850)

However, if one fasts on Friday in the name of another act of worship, such as fasting Ashuraa' when it coincides with Friday, then it is permissible.



The second among the actions that should be avoided on this day of Friday is singling out Friday for Qiyamullayl.

In an authentic Hadeeth, the prophet (pbuh) forbade people from doing so.



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Recapitulation

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Compulsory good deeds on Friday



Jumu'ah Salaah in congregation



Offering the Fajr Salaah in congregation on Friday. This is compulsory for the men.

Recapitulation

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Highly Recommended good deeds on Friday



Making Du'aa after the 'Asr prayer, and specifically in the last hour after the 'Asr prayer.



Reciting Surah Al-Kahf on this day of Friday.



Doing a Ghusl on this day of Friday.



3 Recommended good deeds on Friday

The first is sending salutations to our beloved Prophet. In *Sunan Abu Dawood, Vol.1, Hadeeth 1047,* the prophet is reported to have said, "Send a great deal of salutations to me on this day of Friday, on this day of Jumu'ah."

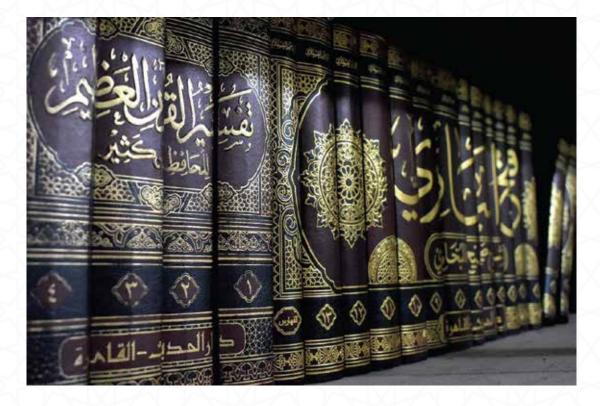
Using the Miswak, that is, a tooth stick.

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Reciting Surah As-Sajdah as well as Surah Al-Insan during the Fajr Salaah on Friday.

Our beloved Prophet (pbuh) said, it is mentioned in *Saheeh Al Bukhaari, Vol. 2, Hadeeth number 891*, that the beloved Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) in the Fajr Salaah on Friday, he recited in the first Rak'ah, "Alif, Lam, Mim, Tanzil," that is, Surah As-Sajdah, and in the second Rak'ah, he recited "Hal ata alal Insan," that is, Surah Al-insan or Surah Al-Dahr. This is the Sunnah of our beloved Prophet Muhammad peace be upon him.





4 Sunnah acts that should be done on Friday

Wearing the best of clothes as our beloved Prophet (pbuh) said, as is mentioned in *Sunan Abu Dawood, Vol. 1, Hadeeth number 343,* that, "Take a bath on this day of Friday and wear the best of clothes."



Applying oil on your hair and applying perfume.



Trimming off the mustache and removing off the unwanted hair, that is the pubic hair as well as the underarm hair.



Trimming of the nails.





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QUESTION AND ANSWER BUCKET

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Q1

Can Jumu'ah Salaah be offered before the Zawaal (before the sun reaches its zenith)?

ANSWER

The majority of the scholars, including the three Madhahib and also an opinion of Imam Ahmad Ibn Hanbal, say that Jumu'ah Salaah cannot be offered before Zawal. The second opinion is that Jumu'ah Salaah can be offered before Zawal.

And when Sheikh 'Abdul 'Aziz Ibn Baz was asked about that, he said that it can be offered before Zawal but the best and the safest option to move out of the difference of opinion is that Jumu'ah Salaah be offered after Zawal.

Q2

What is the Shaahid (witnessing day) mentioned in Suratul Burooj verse 3?

ANSWER

It's mentioned in *Jami' At-Tirmidhi, Vol. 6, Hadeeth number 3339,* that the Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, said, "Al Yawmul Al Maw'ood (i.e., the Promised Day) is the Day of Resurrection, and Al Yawmul Mashhood (i.e., the Witnessed Day) is the day of 'Arafah and Ash Shaahid (i.e., the Witnessing Day) is the Day of Jumu'ah].



Q3

Is it true that Jumu'ah was specified as the weekly Eid of the Muslim whereas the Christians had Sunday and the Jews had Saturday?

ANSWER

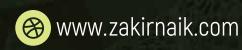
No this is not true. It is mentioned in *Saheeh Muslim, Vol. 2, Hadeeth 1982,* that the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) said that, "Allah led the people before you away from this day of Friday. The Jews have Saturday, the Christians have Sunday, and Allah blessed you and assigned for you this day of Friday.

So, the earlier nations, the Christians and Jews, were not commanded to take these two days. It is they who chose to deviate from the divine guidance. For this deviation, Allah led them astray and diverted them away from this blessed day.



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