

Islam Question & Answer

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130021 - "Spotting" after the period ends is not regarded as menses

the question

I fasted four days in Ramadan, then my period came. After my period ended, I purified myself (did ghusl) and started fasting, but some drops of blood came out ("spotting"), then they stopped. Then when I purified myself and started fasting again, the spotting started again, and this lasted for the rest of the month of Ramadan. What is the answer concerning this?.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allaah.

If the situation is as you describe, the drops of blood that appear after becoming pure from menses are not regarded as menses, because it is not ongoing bleeding. So it does not come under the ruling of menstruation, and you have to fast and pray, and do wudoo' for each prayer when the time for the prayer begins, like women who suffer istihaadah (non-menstrual vaginal bleeding) and those affected by ongoing urinary incontinence. And your fasting during those days is valid.

And Allah is the source of strength. May Allah sent blessings and peace upon our Prophet Muhammad and his family and Companions. End quote.

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