

154118 - She does not distinguish between secretions from the vagina that invalidate wudu and sweat

the question

I want to ask about something. I know that secretions from the vagina invalidate wudu, but I have been affected by waswaas (whispers from the Shaytaan) and have started to do wudu for every prayer. Does a small amount of secretions invalidate wudu? How can I differentiate between that and sweat? This matter is causing hardship for me.

Detailed answer

What is meant by secretions from the vagina is secretions that come from the uterus. These secretions are colourless and a woman may not be aware of them coming out. They vary and may be lighter for one woman and heavier for another.

In al-Mawsoo'ah al-Fiqhiyyah (32/85) it says: Secretions from the vagina are a colourless liquid that may be madhiy or sweat. End quote.

Ibn Hazm (may Allah be pleased with him) was of the view that these secretions do not invalidate wudu.

However the majority are of the view that they do invalidate wudu, unless they are continuous, in which case she should do wudu for every prayer after the time for it begins, after which it will not matter if any secretion comes out.

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According to the opinion that it invalidates wudu, it is not obligatory to do wudu for that unless one is certain that it has come out. If there is any doubt as to whether what has come out is secretions or sweat, it is not obligatory to do wudu, because the basic principle is that one remains in a state of purity unless one is certain that what invalidates it has occurred.

And Allah knows best.