

Islam Question & Answer

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21206 - The two rak'ahs of Fajr replace Tahiyat al-Masjid (greeting the mosque)

the question

A person enters the mosque before the iqamah is called for Fajr prayer. Should he pray Tahiyat al-Masjid (two rak'ahs to "greet the mosque"), then say the salaams, then pray the sunnah of Fajr, or should he pray the sunnah of Fajr and will that mean that he does not have to pray Tahiyat al-Masjid?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allaah.

The Standing Committee was asked about this and they replied:

Praying the two rak'ahs of Fajr will count for itself and for Tahiyat al-Masjid. This is better, but if he prays Tahiyat al-Masjid first, then two rak'ahs of Fajr, that is OK.