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DO NOT NEGLECT SHA'BAN

The month of Sha'ban is half done and we are now on a steady march towards the blessed month of Ramadan. We may be eager to reach Ramadan, but let us also make sure not to waste the blessings of the remaining days of Sha'ban.

The Prophet (saw) was known to fast a lot during this month. Usamah ibn Zayd reported: *I said, "O Messenger of Allah, I do not see you fasting any month as much as you fast during Sha'ban." The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said, "It is a month people neglect between the months of Rajab and Ramadan. It is a month in which the deeds are raised to the Lord of the worlds and I like for my deeds to be raised while I am fasting." (An-Nasai)*

Following in the steps of our Prophet (saw) especially in matters that bring us closer to our Creator should motivate us into action. In addition, fasting during this time has many benefits - it prepares us both physically and spiritually for the journey ahead. Our bodies and minds begin to adapt into the specialized mode that is needed to engage in the intensity of Ramadan's worship. Therefore, if you are able to fast now, you should. Increasing in other noble deeds is also encouraged for Allah (swt) does not cause the good deeds of a believer to ever be wasted.

We ask Allah to accept our acts of worship and enable us to reach Ramadan, energized and filled with faith.

Narrated `Aisha (RA) "Allah's Messenger used to fast till one would say that he would never stop fasting, and he would leave fasting till one would say that he would never fast. I never saw Allah's Messenger fasting for a whole month except the month of Ramadan, and I did not see him observing (voluntary fasting) in any month more than in the month of Sha'ban. (Bukhari)



DR SALAH AL-SAWY: TAFSIR AND WEEKLY FATAWA

Dr Salah Al-Sawy continued his tafsir series on **Surah al Maida, focusing on ayat 45** in which Allah Subhanahu wa Taala tells us: *"And We ordained for them therein a life for a life, an eye for an eye, a nose for a nose, an ear for an ear, a tooth for a tooth, and for wounds is legal retribution. But whoever gives [up his right as] charity, it is an expiation for him. And whoever does not judge by what Allah has revealed - then it is those who are the wrongdoers."*

In his **weekly fatawa session**, he addressed a question on praying of **Jumuah** during these **times** among other questions.

Dr Salah also continued with his other sessions including the tafsir of [ayat 39 of Surah Az-Zumar](#) and [the tafsir of Surah Hadid from ayat 16 onwards.](#)



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Weekly Fatawa - April 7, 2020



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Surah Al Maida 5:45

WELCOME SEEKER OF KNOWLEDGE

Safwan ibn `Assal al-Muradi came to the Prophet (s) in the mosque and said, "O Messenger of Allah, I

have come seeking knowledge." The Prophet (s) told him: "Welcome, O seeker of knowledge! Truly the angels surround the seeker of knowledge with their wings, gathering around him in ranks one above the other, until they reach the first heaven, out of love for that which he seeks." (Tabarani)

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PANDEMIC PONDERINGS: GUIDANCE IN THE TIME OF CORONA

*Each week we will share reflections and resources from different areas to expand our minds and soothe our hearts as we endure the COVID-19 crisis together. **This week's resources are courtesy of the Memphis Islamic Center and AMJA.***

[Scarcity of Medical Resources and Rationing During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) - Rulings from the Assembly of Muslim Jurists of America (AMJA)

[Government Low-Interest Loans To Rescue Small Businesses](#) - Rulings from the Assembly of Muslim Jurists of America (AMJA)

(Note from Dr Hatem al-Haj regarding the above: " *Alhamdulillah, For many borrowers, they will meet the conditions of turning this loan into a grant. Those who won't have it all turned into a grant, will most likely not pay any riba because a part of it will be waived or they will be able to pay it all back during the grace period. Be scrupulous, but if you meet the requisites mentioned in the fatwa, and you say the whole truth on the application, and the government finds you deserving, avail yourself of this government initiative to save small businesses and self-employed people.*"

VIDEO: Inside Perspective: Dr Hatem al Haj and Sh Mohammed Faqih

A discussion Dr. Hatem Al-Haj on his unique perspective as one who has tested positive for COVID-19, went into quarantine, and has returned to work in the hospital. The discussion also includes his insight into fiqh-related issues faced by many during this pandemic.

INSIDE PERSPECTIVE

THURSDAY NIGHT AT 8PM



DR. HATEM AL-HAJ
SCHOLAR & PEDIATRICIAN



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IMAM & RELIGIOUS DIRECTOR

A discussion with Scholar & Pediatrician, Dr. Hatem Al-Haj on his unique perspective as one who has tested positive for COVID-19, went into quarantine, and has returned to work in the hospital as well as his insight into fiqh related issues faced by many during this time.



Inside Perspective - Dr. Hatem Al-Haj & Sh. Mohammed Faqih

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