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Q: At what time should a pilgrim leave Muzdalifah to go to Mina? Is it permissible to throw the pebbles on behalf of women despite their capability of throwing for fear of crowdedness? 

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A: It is permissible for a pilgrim to leave Muzdalifah in the last half of the night, because the Prophet (peace be upon him) gave Rukhsah (concession) to women, the weak and those accompanying them to leave. As for powerful men who do not have their families with them, it is better for them not to hasten to leave Muzdalifah; rather, they should offer Fajr (Dawn) Prayer in Muzdalifah, stay there until daylight, and mention and supplicate Allah a lot because the Prophet (peace be upon him) did so and said: [\(Learn your \(Hajj\) rituals from me.\)](#) Accordingly, those who hasten to leave Muzdalifah can throw the pebbles at the Jamarat (stone pillars marking the pebble-throwing areas) before Fajr; as Um Salamah (may Allah be pleased with her) threw the pebbles before Fajr then she went to Mina and it was not reported that the Prophet (peace be upon him) reproved her for that. This indicates the permissibility of the action and that there is nothing wrong in doing so as long as it facilitates performing rituals, especially for the weak pilgrims.

Source: Fatwas of Ibn Baz