

Not praying the Sunnah prayer directly after the obligatory prayer

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From Abdullaah bin Rabaha from a man who was from the Companions of the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)¹ that the Messenger of Allaah had prayed the 'Asr prayer, and this man stood up to pray. Umar saw him and said to him sit down, since indeed the people of the book were destroyed because they did not leave a gap after their prayer.

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) said to him:

أحسن ابن الخطاب

'You have done well O Ibn Khattab!'²

Shaykh Albaanee (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ)³ said: 'This hadeeth is a clear text in that it is prohibited to hasten to pray the Sunnah prayer after the obligatory prayer without speaking or leaving the Masjid, like many of the non-Arabs do, and especially the Turks. Indeed we see them in the Haramain Sharafain (the holy Masjid in Makkah and the Prophet's Masjid in Madinah), the Imaam is about to give the Salaam from the prayer, except that these people hasten, from over here and over there standing to pray the Sunnah!

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¹ (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him

² Collected by Ahmad, its Isnaad is Saheeh.

³ (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him