
The conditions for an action to be correct – condition 3

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

With regards to the conditions for an action to be correct, the Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al 'Uthaymeen (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ)¹ states:

Thirdly – that the action conform to the Sharee'ah in amount. So if a person were to seek to worship Allaah (عز وجل)² with an amount greater than (that in) the Sharee'ah, it would not be accepted from him.

And an example of that: a man makes wudhoo (ritual ablution) four times i.e. he washes each limb four times. So the fourth (time) would not be accepted because it is in excess of that which the Sharee'ah came with.

Rather it has come in the hadeeth that the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ)³ made wudhoo with three (washes).

(Sharh al Arba'een an Nawawee (p99) of Shaykh Muhammad ibn Saalih al 'Uthaymeen (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ))

¹ (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him

² (عز وجل) (Azza wa Jaal) Mighty and Majestic is He

³ (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) (sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him