
The conditions for an action to be correct – condition 4

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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:

Fourthly – that the action conforms with the Sharee'ah in kayfiyyah (how it is done). So if a person were to perform an action by which he seeks to worship Allaah and he acts in opposition to the Sharee'ah in its kayfiyyah, it will not be accepted from him and his action is rejected upon him.

And an example of this: if a man were to pray, and prostrate before he made rukoo' (bowing), then his prayer is futile and rejected because he has not conformed with the Sharee'ah in the kayfiyyah.

And likewise if he were to perform wudhoo in a back to front manner, in that he began with the foot then the head then the hand then the face – then his wudhoo is invalid because he has acted in opposition to the Sharee'ah in the kayfiyyah.

(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

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