
Prostration of thankfulness

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Q: “How does one perform *sujood ash-shukr* (the prostration of thankfulness)?”

Shaykh al-Albaanee (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ)¹:

“It comprises of **one** prostration, and none of the preconditions needed for prayer are stipulated for it. So it is like *sujood at-tilaawah*², they both have the same ruling. **Neither of them have a precondition such as being in a state of purification, facing the *qiblah*, making the *takbeer*, making the *tasleem*, and so on.** Rather, if he is surprised by some blessing, he prostrates immediately the way he is and praises Allaah with whatever (words) he can for that blessing that He gave him, out of thanks to Him. Likewise if he recites a verse of prostration from the Book of Allaah (عزوجل)³, he prostrates immediately, whether he has *wudhoo* or not, whether he is facing the *qiblah* or not, without making *takbeer al-ihraam* and without making any *tashahhud* or *salaam*.”⁴

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

² Sujood al-Tilaawah - Verses in the Qur'aan where a prostration can be performed

³ (عزوجل) (Azza wa Jaal) Mighty and Majestic is He

⁴ Silsilah ul-Hudaa wannoor, 97/6