



Correcting Your Intentions

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A brief explanation: [“The Importance of Intentions”](http://www.troid.org) From www.troid.org

Excerpt: “Fudayl bin Iyaadh said about His saying, “That he may test which of you is best in action’ (67:2) – “Who is sincere in it and correct in it. And the action, if it is sincere and not correct then it is not accepted. And if it is correct and not sincere then it is not accepted. It is only accepted when it is for the sake of Allah, and correct when it is done according to the Sunnah.”

The Proof for what Fudayl said is in the verse 18:110

“So whosoever hopes for the meeting with His Lord, let him work righteousness and associate none as a partner in the worship of His Lord.”

Narrated Abu Mas'ud:

The Prophet said, "If a man spends on his family (with the intention of having a reward from Allah) sincerely for Allah's sake then it is a (kind of) alms-giving in reward for him.

Narrated 'Abdullah bin Az-Zubair:

I said to my father, 'I do not hear from you any narration (Hadith) of Allah's Apostle as I hear (his narrations) from so and so?' Az-Zubair replied. I was always with him (the Prophet) and I heard him saying "Whoever tells a lie against me (intentionally) then (surely) let him occupy, his seat in Hell-fire.

Narrated Abu Hurairah:

The Prophet said, "The prayer offered in congregation is twenty five times more superior (in reward) to the prayer offered alone in one's house or in a business center, because if one performs ablution and does it perfectly, and then proceeds to the mosque with the sole intention of praying, then for each step which he takes towards the mosque, Allah upgrades him a degree in reward and (forgives) crosses out one sin till he enters the mosque. When he enters the mosque he is considered in prayer as long as he is waiting for the prayer and the angels keep on asking for Allah's forgiveness for him and they keep on saying: 'O Allah! Be Merciful to him, O Allah! Forgive him, as long as he keeps on sitting at his praying place and does not pass wind. (See Hadith No. 620).

*Admin: Please note that only Allah knows if a person's intention is sincere, so it is upon you to correct your intention and focus it for Allah alone. It is also upon you, that when you act, that you act upon clear evidence from authentic narrations from the prophet's (salla allahu alaihi wa salaam) Sunnah.

Salafi Academy Advanced: Read the article inshaAllah

<http://www.troid.org/articles/ibaadah/knowledge/introductorymaterialconcerningknowledge/theimportanceofintention.htm>



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InshaAllah the following worksheet will help you to recognize the significance of correcting your intentions. May Allah guide us in perfection of our actions in accordance to what He, the Most High has revealed ameen.

1. Is there a difference between a person making wudhoo and washing their hands to prepare for dinner? Explain

2. Is there a difference between taking a bath to get ready for bed and taking a Ghusl for Jumuah? If so, explain.

3. You intend to wake your family for the night prayer, to do this you get up and blast the Adhan on the computer causing everyone to awake startled and angry. Is this action correct? Why or why not?

4. You are very tired; it has been a long day mashaAllah. You want to take a nap and you have the intention to wake for Maghrib inshaAllah. Once asleep, you don't awake until well after Isha has begun. According to what has been explained will you be rewarded for your intention? Explain.

5. Using the same question (4). If it is the regular action of the person to pray on time for every salaah, and to make Sunnah's after Maghrib, will they be rewarded for these actions even if they overslept? Explain.
