

105357 - Saying Aqaamaha Allaahu wa adaamaha (May Allaah make it continually established) when the iqamah for prayer is given

the question

I heard some people saying “aqamaha Allahu wa adaamaha” (may Allah keep prayers continually established), when the Mu’azzin says: “qad qaamat As-salaah” (prayer is about to begin). Is that permissible?.

Detailed answer

The basic principle with regard to acts of worship is *tawqeef*, i.e., (i.e., acts of worship are to be based solely on Qur’aan and saheeh Sunnah with no room for personal opinion). There is no proof that the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said, when he heard the iqamah, Aqaamaha Allaahu wa adaamaha (May Allaah make it continually established). But Abu Dawood narrated that in his Sunan via a weak isnaad. He said: Sulayman ibn Dawood al-‘Ataki told us, Muhammad ibn Thaabit told us, a man from Syria told us, from Shahr ibn Hooshab, from Abu Umaamah or one of the companions of the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him), that Bilaal began to recite the iqamah, and when he said Qad qaamat il-salaah (Prayer is about to begin), the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said: Aqaamaha Allaahu wa adaamaha (May Allaah make is continually established). The reason why this report is *da’eef* is that its isnaad includes an unknown man, and the narration of one who is unknown cannot be quoted as evidence. Thus it is clear that saying Aqaamaha Allaahu wa adaamaha (May Allaah make it continually established) when the muezzin says Qad qaamat il-salaah (prayer is about to begin) is not prescribed, because it is not proven that the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said it. rather it is better for the one who hears the iqamah to say what the muezzin says,

because it is an adhaan, and the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said: “When you hear the muezzin, say what he says.”

And Allaah is the Source of strength. May Allaah send blessing and peace upon our Prophet Muhammad and his family and companions.

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