

When to read the Awrad and Salawat of the Jafariyya tariqa

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The main point with regards to the awrad and the salawat is to be consistent in reading it daily. The perfect time to read them, as we heard from our Mashayekh, is after Fajr prayer, so that you start your day with the blessings contained within the awrad and salawat, which showers down upon the one who recites them. It is important to read them both and to keep your commitment to the Mashayekh in reading them and indeed to the awrad and salawat themselves. The murid should not allow a day to pass without reading the awrad and salawat. Every murid has a different daily timetable and so, they should prescribe a certain time that is suitable for them, to read.

One of the brothers asked: "If today is Monday, can I read Monday's portion of the awrad and the salawat in the morning, and then after Maghreb prayer can I read Tuesday's portion of the awrad and the salawat?".

Sidi Shaykh Muhammad Salih said: The Maghreb of Monday is still Monday, and indeed the time after this prayer is still Monday. We do not count the day by the timing of the clock. Our day counts from dawn – the white light of Fajr signals the new day, as is well known when we fast in Ramadan. So the most perfect time to read the awrad and salawat is after Fajr prayer. If you are unable to achieve this, then you can read it during the day. And if you have limited time then you can divide them into a page or two, to be read throughout the day until completion. You have from dawn till the following dawn, to complete your reading of the awrad and salawat. So remember, Maghreb on Monday is still Monday and even after midnight, it is still Monday. Tuesday starts at the time of Fajr with the white light of Fajr. May Allah help us all and keep us steadfast and consistent in doing deeds that are pleasing to Him and His Messenger (salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam).

