

Book 2, Number 0654:

Narrated AbuHurayrah: The Prophet (peace_be_upon_him) said: When any of you prays, he should not place his sandals on his right side or on his left so as to be on the right side of someone else, unless no one is at his left, but should place them between his feet.

Book 2, Number 0659:

Narrated Al-Mughirah ibn Shu'bah: The Apostle of Allah (peace_be_upon_him) used to pray on a mat and on a tanned skin.

Book 2, Number 0664:

Narrated Al-Bara' ibn Azib: The Apostle of Allah (peace_be_upon_him) used to pass through the row from one side to the other; he used to set out chests and shoulders in order, and say: Do not be irregular. And he would say: Allah and His angels bless those who are near the first rows.

Book 2, Number 0665:

Narrated An-Nu'man ibn Bashir: The Apostle of Allah (peace_be_upon_him) used to straighten our rows when we stood up to pray, and when we were straight, he said: Allah is most great (takbir).

Book 2, Number 0666:

Narrated Abdullah ibn Umar: The Prophet (peace_be_upon_him) said: Set the rows in order, stand shoulder to shoulder, close the gaps, be pliant in the hands of your brethren, and do not leave openings for the devil. If anyone joins up a row, Allah will join him up, but if anyone breaks a row, Allah will cut him off.

Book 2, Number 0667:

Narrated Anas ibn Malik: The Prophet (peace_be_upon_him) said: Stand close together in your rows, bring them near one another, and stand neck to neck, for by Him in Whose hand my soul is, I see the devil coming in through openings in the row

just like a small black sheep.

Book 2, Number 0671:

Narrated Anas ibn Malik: The Prophet (peace_be_upon_him) said: Complete the front row, then the one that comes next, and if there is any incompleteness, let it be in the last row.

Book 2, Number 0672:

Narrated Abdullah ibn Abbas: The Prophet (peace_be_upon_him) said: The best of you are those whose shoulders are soft in prayer.

Book 2, Number 0673:

Narrated AbdulHamid ibn Mahmud: I offered the Friday prayer along with Anas ibn Malik. We were pushed to the pillars (due to the crowd of people). We, therefore, stopped forward and backward. Anas then said: We used to avoid it (setting a row between the pillars) during the time of the Apostle of Allah (peace_be_upon_him).

Book 2, Number 0676:

Narrated Aisha, Ummul Mu'minin: The Apostle of Allah (peace_be_upon_him) said: Allah and His angels bless those who are on the right flanks of the rows.

Book 2, Number 0677:

Narrated AbuMalik al-Ash'ari: Should I not tell you how the Apostle of Allah (peace_be_upon_him) led the prayer? He said: He had the iqamah announced, drew the men up in line and drew up the youths behind them, then led them in prayer. He then mentioned how he conducted it. and said: Thus is the prayer of.....AbdulA'la said: I think he must have said: My people.

Book 2, Number 0681:

Narrated AbuHurayrah: The Prophet (peace_be_upon_him) said: Have the imam in the centre and close up the gaps.