

## I will do my best to lead you in prayer just as the Messenger of Allah (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) used to lead us in prayer

Thabit reported from Anas that he said: "I will do my best to lead you in prayer just as the Messenger of Allah (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) used to lead us in prayer." Thabit said: "Anas used to do something which I don't see you doing: whenever he raised his head after bowing, he would stand for such a long time that one would think that he had forgotten; and whenever he raised his head after prostration, he would sit so long that one would think that he had forgotten."

[Authentic hadith] [Narrated by Bukhari & Muslim]

Anas (may Allah be pleased with him) once said: I will do my best to lead you in prayer just as the Messenger of Allah (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) used to lead us in prayer, so that you may follow his model and pray as he used to. Thābit al-Bunāni said: Anas used to beautify and perfect his prayer in a way that I have not seen any of you doing. That is he used to prolong the standing after bowing, as well as the sitting after prostration. A person seeing him in either position would think that he had forgotten to change posture.

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