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## Prayer performed on first Friday of month of Rajab

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In the Name of Allaah the most Kind the most Merciful

Shaykh Ibn Uthaymeen (رَحِمَهُ الله) said, "In some Islaamic countries there is a prayer performed between Maghrib and Ishaa on the night of the first Friday of [the month of] Rajab, they call it, 'Salaatur-Raghaa'ib ['The Prayer for Great Bounties or Wishes'],' and it is twelve rak'ahs [long]—it has no validity. The hadeeth concerning it is fabricated and a lie against the Prophet (عليه الصلاة والسلام)². The Shaykh of Islaam [Ibn Taymeeyyah] (عليه الصلاة والسلام) said that it is fabricated and a lie according to the agreement of the people of knowledge. So there is no prayer particular to Rajab, not on its first Friday nor on the night half way through the month. Rajab in regards to prayer is just like any of the other months."³



rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ)

<sup>2 (</sup>عليه الصلاة والسلام) (alayhi as-Salaat wa Salaam) Upon him prayer and peace

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Fataawaa fil-Hajj, 659.