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Question:

Between the period he embraces Islaam and [openly] announces his [embracing of] Islaam, is the new Muslim required to perform the obligatory acts as required of [all] Muslims?

Response:

All Praise be to Allaah alone, and may the prayers and salutations be upon His Messenger and his companions; To proceed:

When a person embraces Islaam, then [as a Muslim] – according to his ability – he is [now] required to gradually learn that which is required of him – as legislated. He is [then] required to act accordingly, and that is from the date he embraced Islaam.

And with Allaah lies all success and may Allaah send prayers and salutations upon our Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)¹ and his family and his companions.

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¹ (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him

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