7863 - Can a person start fasting six days of Shawal when he still has days to make up from Ramadan?

the question

If a person fasts six days of Shawal after Ramadan when he has not yet completed the Ramadan fast because he did not fast ten days of Ramadan for a legitimate reason will he have the same reward as a person who fasted all of Ramadan and followed it with six days of Shawal, i.e. will he be like a person who fasted for a lifetime? Please explain to us, may Allah reward you with good.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

The precise rewards for the deeds which people do for the sake of Allah is something which is known only to Allah. If a person seeks the reward from Allah and strives to obey Him, his reward will not be lost, as Allah says (interpretation of the meaning):

“We shall not make the reward of anyone who does his (righteous) deeds in the most perfect manner to be lost.” [al-Kahf 18:30]. If someone has missed some of the days of Ramadan, he should fast them first, then fast six days of Shawal, because he cannot follow the fast of Ramadan with six days of Shawal unless he has completed his Ramadaan fast.

And Allah is the source of strength. May Allah bless our Prophet Muhammad and his family and companions, and grant them peace.