the *maghrib* or sunset prayer. The second prayer is the *isha* or begins at nightfall. The third is the *fajr* or dawn prayer, which fourth is the *zuhr* or noon prayer, which begins shortly after ten the sun has crossed the meridian. The fifth is the *asr* or begins when the shadow of any object has increased beyond its amount equal to the length of the object casting the shadow. the *zuhr* prayer began when the shadow increase was one the object, and the *asr* prayer continued until the shadow