DUTIES AND CHARACTER OF THE

MUSLIM IN HOLY QURAN

DUTIES OF THE MUSLIMS:

Amr Bil MaroofWa Nahi Anil Munkir

(Enjoining/Invitation towards good /rights /deeds and forbidding from bad/wrong ones)

Definition of Maroof (Good Deeds):

Every good and right deed in the light of guidance allowed and sanctioned by ALLAH Almighty and His messenger Muhammad(S.A.W) is called Maroof. It is morally right and ethically acceptable. The good deeds give lot of benefits and advantages of the society.

Definition of Munkir(Bad Deeds):

Every bad, evil and wrong deed that is prohibited and forbide by ALLAH almighty and His Messenger Muhammad(S.A.W) is called Munkir.It is morally wrong and not ethically accepted. The bad deeds give lot of disadvantages and cause loss to the society.

Aims and Objective:

It is need of every society and true believers must do it practically because good deeds are beneficial for community and bad deeds are harmful for the society. Every religion encourages good deeds and discourages bad deeds. Islam has given the special emphasis about Maroof and Munkir.

**The importance of preaching**

*(amar-bil-maroof & nahi-anil-munkar)*

The importance of preaching in our lives has the same importance just like spinal-chord has in the human skeleton that is without it there is no chance of survival.

Amar-bil-maroof means to teach people about the good acts and accordingly to teach people about the fruits of these good deeds in jannat.

Nahi-anil-munkar means to tell the people that the path they are blindly following is not true and the result of these bad acts is jahannum which the ALMIGHTY ALLAH has created for severe punishments for those who had not follow the right path.

Therefore as a muslim it is necessary that we must perform these TWO basic duties which are Amar-bil-maroof and Nahi-anil- munkr.

**D’awat-e-Deen**

(Proclamation of faith)

D’awa means the call or invitation to Islam. It is fard kifayah, if it is done by a section of the Muslims community, all others will be absolved from sin. The real object of the call to Islam is that both ibadah (worship) and Deen (religion) should be exclusively for Allah’s sake. The mission of all the prophets deputed by Allah was to “serve Allah and shun false gods”.

Allah all Mighty should be considered the supreme ruler, as he alone is the sovereign, the creator. The main object of the call to Islam is that we should bow our heads in front of Allah alone and worship him only and we should submit to him, in our individual as well as collective life and to no one else. We should follow his commands and conduct our affairs in all spheres of life according to His teaching.

All the prophets were commanded to convey the religion of Islam, to strive hard and propagate the faith and to establish a social order is based on submission and devotion to Allah until such time comes as, ***“the religion is all for Allah”(9:39).***

The prophet Muhammad (S.A.

W) was explicitly ordered by Allah to spread his message, ***“O Apostle! Proclaim the (message) which has been sent to you from your Lord. If you did not you would not have fulfilled and proclaimed His mission” (5:67).***

Qur’an urges the Muslims to undertake missionary works, ***“Nor should to believers all go forth together, if a contingent from every expedition remained behind they could devote themselves to studies in religion and admonish the people when they return to them that thus tha=ey (may learn) to guard themselves(against evil)”(9:122).***

**Qualities of a Mab’lagh (Preacher):**

* He must be upholder of the principles of Islam and must act to his teachings.
* He should be steadfast in his preaching and should discharge his duty with utmost care and honesty.
* He should be a just man.
* He should have the ability and power of speech.
* Preaching should be done according to the intelligence of the audience.
* The Muslim are enjoined to do this duty with wisdom and decent talk.
* He should avoid controversies, be polite and forbearing and keep in the mind the mental condition to those whom they are perching.
* He should not hardship to the people. He should wait for appropriate opportunity to deliver his sermon. He should not cut their conversation to preach nor should he inflict trouble on them. He should only deliver his sermon once a week.
* He should receive permission from the authorities is possible.
* He must first invite the people to the worship of Allah, and gradually proceed further to other fundamentals.
* The Muslim are to persuade and invite but they should never compel.