

## Individual Conduct

The Hadith of the Holy Prophet (PBUH) guide Muslims in individual as well as communal conduct and matters of the Muslims. He told his Ummah to show sincerity in Religion and not be a Hypocrite as a Hadith says :

**"Religion is Sincerity...To Allah, His messenger and the Book"**

This means that our first responsibility is to Worship Allah and be Sincere in our faith. We should follow the right path and should follow the Prophet and the Quran and lead our lives according to it, both in individual and social conduct. Prophet was questioned by a man the following :

Do you think if I perform the obligatory prayers, fast in Ramadan, treat as lawful that which is lawful and the forbidden as that which is forbidden, and do nothing further, I shall enter Paradise?

Prophet replied :

**"Yes."**

This shows that achieving paradise is not very difficult and that if we follow the right path that Allah has provided instructions to follow with the Quran and by the Prophet, we can enter Paradise. The Prophet has guided us on how to achieve paradise by answering the man's question in the Hadith.

Prophet guided us on how we should speak too as Hadith says:

**"Let him who believes in Allah and the last day either speak good or keep silent..."**

The Prophet was aware that there might be people who may use bad language, so he guided us on how we should speak in our individual conduct And how we should either say something good or remain silent as the remaining silent is better than saying something bad. Prophet also guided us by telling us to strive in the way of Allah as that is the quality of the most excellent believer and to do Jihad with both our wealth and possessions and ourselves. Hadith says that The most excellent of men is the believer who strives hard in the way of Allah with his person and property. This reinforces the merit of Jihad and guide Muslims that they should always practice Jihad in the way of Allah when it is needed.

Another Hadith tells us the same as it says :



"He who is killed in the way of Allah is a martyr, he who dies a natural death in the way of Allah is a martyr, he who dies in the plague in the way of Allah is a martyr, he who dies of cholera in the way of Allah is a martyr."

This Hadith expands the term of martyrdom and tells us that us Muslims should individually always be involved in serving Islam so when he dies, he can achieve the status of martyrdom. It also makes martyrdom possible for all Muslims. The Prophet guides us by telling us that we all can achieve the status of martyrdom and that we should always be involved in serving Islam so that we can achieve the status of martyrdom.

Hadith says that studying the Quran is like owning tethered camels. If we attend to them, we will keep hold otherwise they would slowly wander away. Therefore the Prophet has told us that we should always be studying the Quran so that we can always remain in touch with Islam otherwise we will be involved in UnIslamic practices and would go away from Islam.

Another Hadith says :

"No one eats better food than that which he eats out of the work of his hand."

The Prophet guiding us in our individual conduct by telling us that we should always work hard to earn a living because earning by doing hard work is also a virtue and it is way better than eating food that is earned in a Haram way or in a way that is not acceptable in Islam. It also tells us that earning a living by doing lawful is more respectful than earning in an unlawful way.

The Prophet has also guided us on how we should behave individually. As the Hadith says :

"Modesty produces nothing but good."

This guides us in our individual life as it tells us how to behave and how our conduct should be. It draws attention to the virtues of the benefits of modesty. We should have decency and propriety in our conduct as well as humility, simplicity, etc type of qualities.

Another Hadith tells about the qualities we should have as it says:



**"He who has in his heart as much faith as a grain of mustard seed will not enter hell, and he who has in his heart as much pride as a grain of mustard seed will not enter Paradise."**

**This also guidance on how our individual conduct should be and what qualities we should have. It tells us that we should have sincere faith and should not be A hypocrite and should not be involved in shirk either. It also tells us that we should not have pride at all as it is not a quality of a believer and it will prevent us from entering paradise.**

**Another Hadith says :**

**"The world is the believer's prison unbelievers paradise."**

**This guide us in our individual life as it tells us that as believers have a path to follow and have commandments to follow in this world just like a prisoner it has to follow commands in the prison. It also tells us that this world is like paradise for an unbeliever as he does not follow any commandments and does whatever he likes to do. Therefore the Prohet has guided is in our individual conduct by asking us to follow the commandments so our afterlife is better as this world is only temporary.**

**Therefore the Prophet has guided us in all aspects of an individual life from religion to our actions and how our personality should be.**