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JABATAN AGAMA ISLAM SELANGOR

RAISING A GENERATION OF MUTTAQOON



I implore all of us to increase
our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu
Wata'aala* by performing all of
His Commands and abstaining
from all of His prohibitions.

Let us increase our *dhikr*
(remembrance) of Allah

Subhaanahu Wata ‘aalaand

increase our *salawaat* upon our
beloved Messenger, Muhammad

sallAllahu ‘alayhi wasallam,

and also strive our utmost in practicing all of his *sunnah*.

Indeed, we truly hope that these efforts will bring us benefit in this world and the Hereafter.

Children are an *amaanah* that Allah *Subhaanahu Wata‘aala* has entrusted upon the parents to raise and groom in becoming beneficial individuals to mankind. They are like pure and clean white cloth that is to be decorated

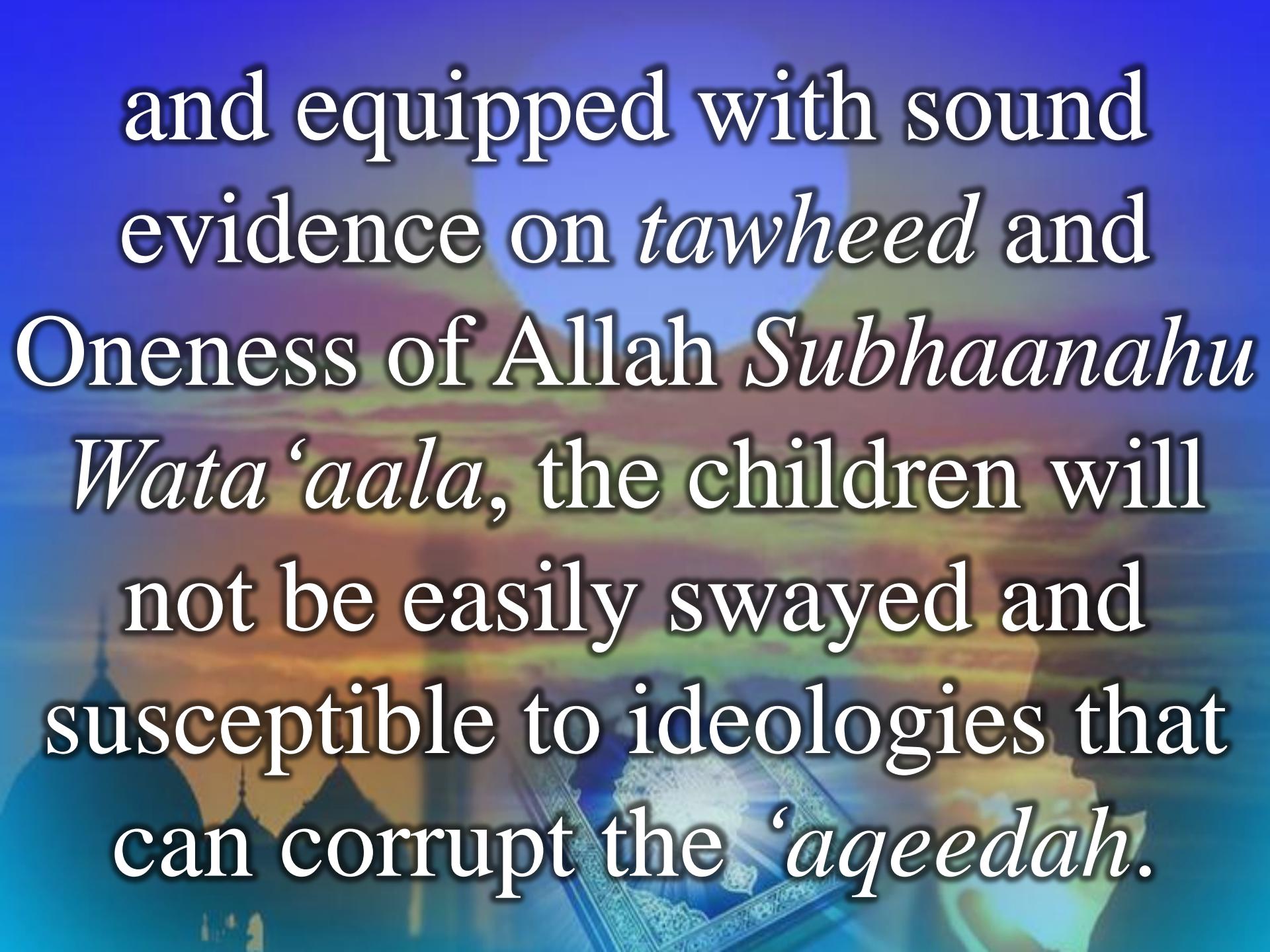
and molded by the parents,
according to their preference.

Our progenies will later
become our descendants and
legacy that will inherit our
very role as vicegerents in
bringing prosperity to this
earth.

Therefore, as parents, we must strive our utmost to prepare and equip our offspring with *taqwa*. Shaykh Dr ‘Abdullah Nasih Ulwan *rahimahullah* has outlined important points on the responsibilities of the

parents in the upbringing of their children unto becoming *muttaqoon*, which is the *tarbiyyah* on *imaan*, *akhlaaq*, physical, mental, spiritual, and social aspects.

Children must be educated from their early age by inculcating values necessary in developing their *imaan* and *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata‘aala*. With adequate upbringing on the *tarbiyyah* of *imaan* from an early age,



and equipped with sound evidence on *tawheed* and Oneness of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata 'aala*, the children will not be easily swayed and susceptible to ideologies that can corrupt the '*aqeedah*.

Among the ways to inculcate *taqwa* in the children are:

1- To train and make it a habit for them to always performing *salaah* once they are able to distinguish between right and wrong (*mumayyiz*), as mentioned in al-Qur'an:

*“And establish prayer
and give zakaah and
bow with those who
bow [in worship and
obedience].”*

(al-Baqarah 2:43)

2- Teach them to recite al-Qur'an and maintain its recitation on a constant basis

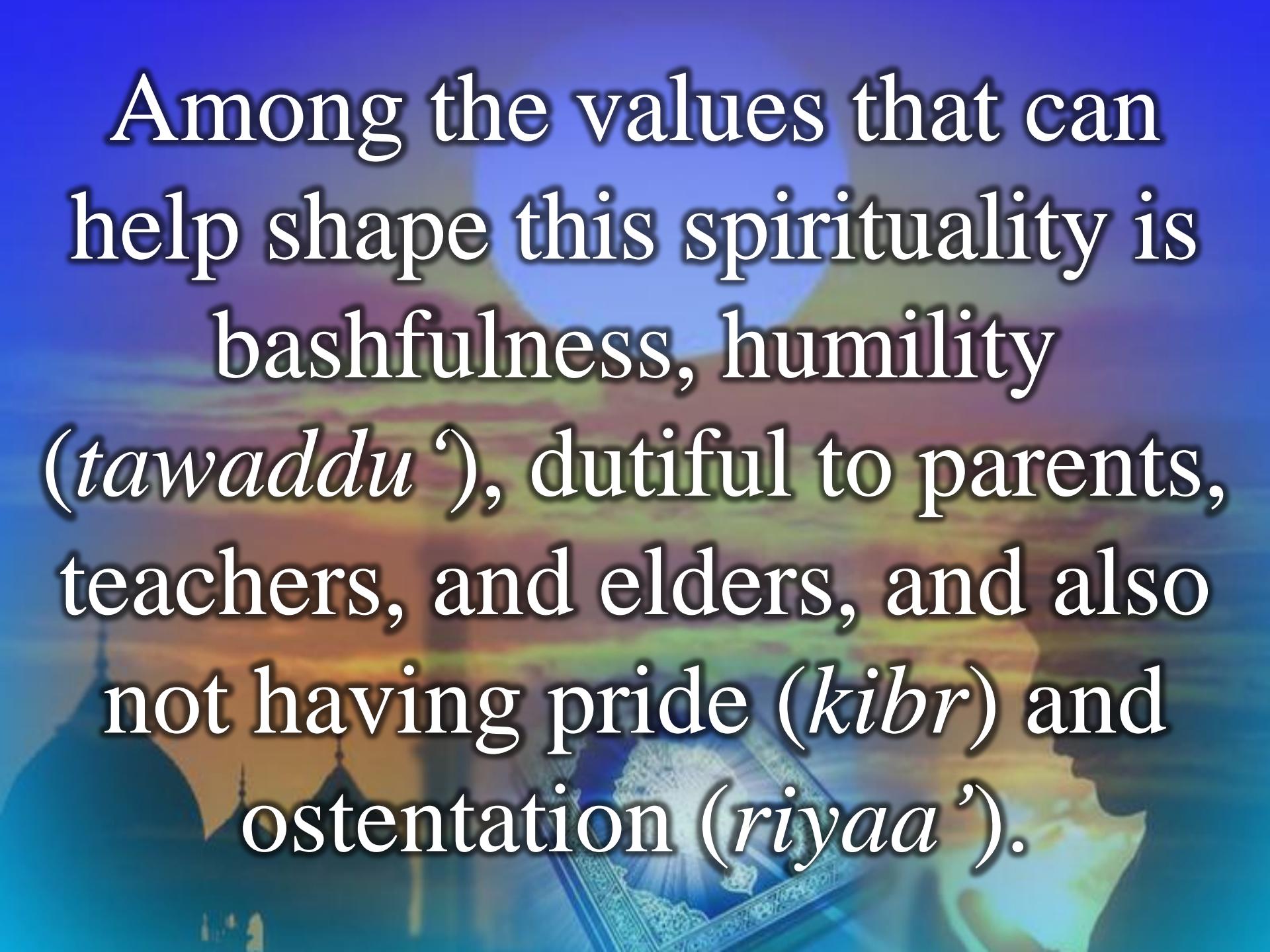
3- Providing them the *tarbiyyah* of *akhlaaq* and spirituality, as highly emphasized in Islam.

From an Islamic perspective, the teaching of noble *akhlaaq* is closely related with being cautious and safeguarding oneself from exceeding the limitations determined by Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala*. Hence, parents should take heavy

precaution in the *tarbiyyah* of virtuous *akhlaaq* by being watchful and preventing the children from bad habits and detestable characteristics. From among them are lying, stealing, vulgarity, swearing, and plagiarism.

At the same time, parents must give due emphasis on the spiritual values that leads to their *taqwa* of Allah

Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala. These values must be inculcated from a very young age.

A soft-focus photograph of a mosque's exterior. In the center, a large blue dome is visible, flanked by two smaller domes. A tall, slender minaret rises from behind the main structure. The sky above is a gradient of blue and purple, suggesting either sunrise or sunset. The overall atmosphere is serene and spiritual.

Among the values that can help shape this spirituality is bashfulness, humility (*tawaddu'*), dutiful to parents, teachers, and elders, and also not having pride (*kibr*) and ostentation (*riyaa'*).

Without these values, their soul becomes empty and vulnerable to external negative elements that will lead them to become heartless and deviated from authentic Islamic teachings.

4- Parents are responsible to ensure that their children are in good physical condition.

Being physically healthy is an important external factor that can help nurture the process of developing the ‘*aqeedah*

and *akhlaaq* of the *muttaqoon* within them. This is in line with the message of Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* that was recorded in a *hadeeth* from Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, which he *sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam* stated:

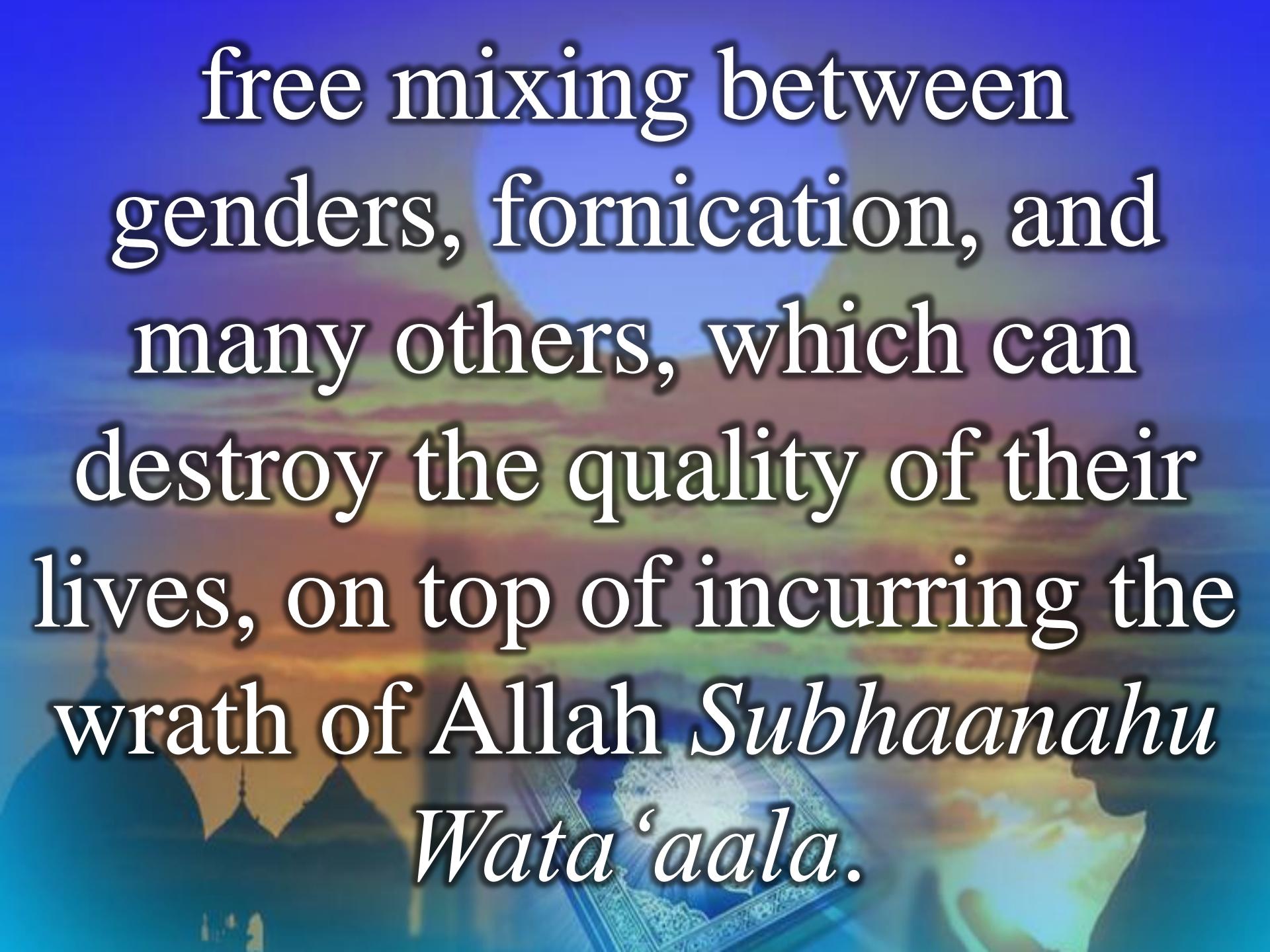
*“A strong believer is
better and is more
lovable to Allah than
a weak believer...”*

(Muslim)

The important matter that needs to be taken seriously by the parents for the physical well-being of their children is to provide food and drink that are *halaal* and nutritious, avoiding bad habits and negative activities that are detrimental

to themselves. The children must be well-informed of the danger of smoking, intoxicants, drug abuse, and other matters that are harmful to their health.

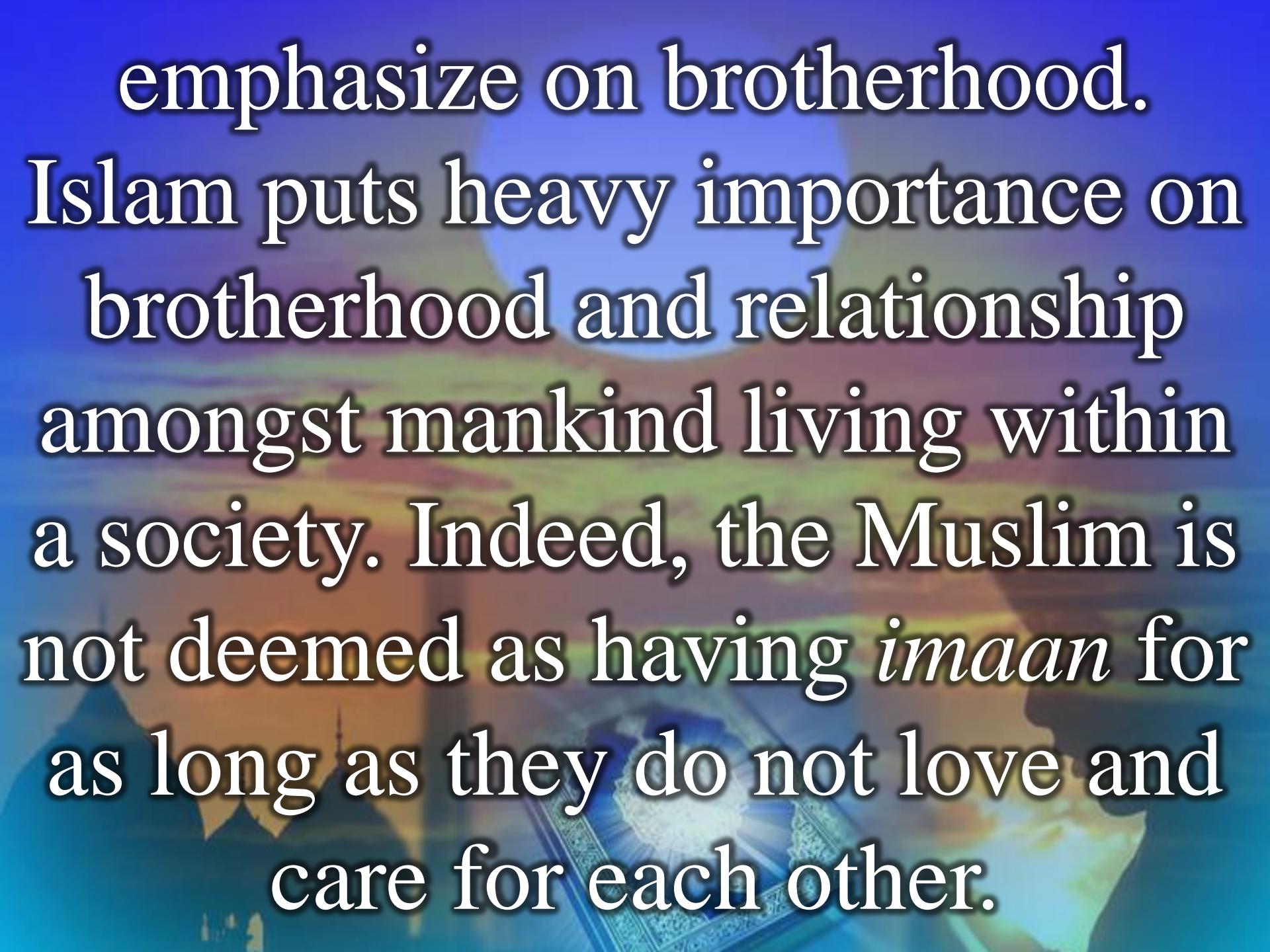
They should be well-aware of the gravity of acts of disobedience such as



free mixing between genders, fornication, and many others, which can destroy the quality of their lives, on top of incurring the wrath of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala.*

5- To teach our children aspects and intricacies of the social sphere and community living.

These aspects must be embraced in their lives for as human being, they cannot run away and escape from their responsibility to the community which heavily

The background of the image is a soft-focus photograph of a mosque. It features a prominent white minaret on the left and a large, light-colored dome on the right. The sky above the mosque has a warm, golden-orange hue, suggesting either sunrise or sunset. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and spiritual.

emphasize on brotherhood.

Islam puts heavy importance on brotherhood and relationship amongst mankind living within a society. Indeed, the Muslim is not deemed as having *imaan* for as long as they do not love and care for each other.

Allah Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala
mentions in al-Qur’an:
*“The believers are but
brothers, so make settlement
between your brothers. And
fear Allah that you may receive
mercy.”*

(al-Hujuraat 49:10)

Indeed, raising the children to be aware and having knowledge on various aspects of life is very important in preparing them to become individuals that truly understand the meaning of this life. Their awareness and consciousness upon the true

objective of the life in this world will drive them to further increase their *imaan* and *taqwa* of Allah Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala. Hence, we as individuals having been granted offspring and lineage by Allah Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala

should fulfill our very role and responsibility with our utmost, in honoring the *amaanah* that has been bestowed upon us.

Let us remain deeply committed and strive to educate our children according to the teachings of Rasulullah

sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam.

We shall equip them with knowledge that is founded upon unwavering *imaan* so that they will become those that are always in submission and obedient to His Commands.

Verily, it is truly hoped that
these efforts will give rise to
a generation of *muttaqoon*,
being righteous and having
the true *taqwa* of Allah
Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala.

*“And it is not your wealth
or your children that
bring you nearer to Us in
position, but it is [by
being] one who has
believed and done
righteousness.*

For them there will be the double reward for what they did, and they will be in the upper chambers [of Paradise], safe [and secure].”

(Sabaa’ 34:37)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ وَنَفَعَنِي
وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْأَيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ
مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاقَتِهِ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ أَفُولُ
قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ
الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ
إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ

O Allah, You are the Almighty Lord, we are grateful unto You for having bestowed upon us Mercy and Blessings, nourishing us to strive to continue in strengthening the Muslim nation especially the state of Selangor, as an advanced, progressive, peaceful, and benevolent state.

**We beseech and beg You, Ya
Allah, to strengthen our *imaan*,
increase our good deeds,
strengthen our unity, increase
our provision, enrich us with
beneficial knowledge, nourish
our soul with beautiful *akhlaaq*,
guide us to the Path that is
Pleasing to You,**

protect us from Your severe tribulations such as the long drought, severe flooding, disease outbreak, violence and instability, poverty, and others, so that our land will become more peaceful and blessed.

**Oh Allah, we ask You to open up
the hearts of the Muslim *ummah*
especially in Selangor, to fulfill
their *zakaat* obligation as You
had decreed in al-Qur'an. Bless
the lives of those who have
fulfilled their *zakaat* obligation,
loving and caring for the poor
and needy.**

**Purify their wealth and soul so
that they will live according to
that which pleases You. Protect
the poor and needy from
disbelief and everlasting
poverty. *Allaahummaa ameen***



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