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****** Dedicated to ******

My (late) friend Chinmaya Patel

Who hated Islam when he learnt it from the lives of Muslims but the human inside him could not bear the hatred for long.

Then he restarted learning it from the original sources: understood it and embraced it.

He is now rejoicing in the bliss and bounty provided by Allah, wishing others to follow his path of success.

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||Shree:||

"Yo vai bhuma tat sukham" [Chandogya Upanishad 7-23-1]

(Bhuma (one that is infinitely great and possesses infinite attributes) is bliss.)

In the tradition of ensuing the exalted Qur'an, Hadith enjoys the same authenticity and sanctity as the Smiritis succeeding the Vedas teaching. Many compilations of Hadith (sayings of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH)) have come up, but have been in Persian and Urdu languages. I came across one such compilation in which compiler tried to present Hadith in Hindi language. However, the uncompromising uses of Persian words at certain places have been posing difficulties for Hindi-oriented people like me. To relieve the ignorant like me of the agony, Brother **Syed Abdullah Tariq** has worked very hard in coming up with Hindi compilation of useful Hadith, which is a praiseworthy effort.

If we are able to transcript their conduct in our lives by seeing, listening and studying about the ideal behaviors of noble persons, the reading of these Hadith can be truly meaningful and we can experience the divine pleasure in accordance with the joint preaching of Vedas and Quran. In today's perspective, the preaching of true conduct is merely given second hand. But due to selfish mind, man is diverting from *Iman* (the Faith). This alone is the root cause for the sorrow state of our society and nation. Therefore it is our responsibility to establish divinity in our conduct and behaviors by following the teachings of the

messengers of God. By doing so, according to "satyam vai devaah anrtam vai manushyaah; Shatpath Brah." (True indeed are Gods, False indeed are humans), we can teach the lesson of goodwill and "vasudhaiva kutumbakam" (the whole world is one single family of God) to the entire nation. A liberal has said:

"mai khojta phirta nahin bhagvaan ko, mai khojta phirta nahin dhanvaan ko; ** Kintu jiske paas mein eemaan ho, mai khojta phirta usi insaan ko;

Vedon mein likha hai ki bhagvaan bada hota hai, Geeta mein padha maine ki gyan bada hota hai; ** Is nangi-bhookhi duniya mein sun lena ae mere bhai, na bhagvaan bada, na gyan bada, eemaan bada hota hai."

(I do not search for the God, I do not search for the rich person;

But the one who has *Iman* (Faith), I keep searching for such a man;

In Vedas it is written that God is great, In Geeta I studied that knowledge is great; In this hungry-wild world, listen O my brother, neither God is great, nor knowledge is great, but *Iman* is great.)

I am convinced that this effort of Honorable brother Tariq is the noble work of bringing Faith and mutual brotherhood to the mankind. Obeying only this Will and assertion of God, for this age, (I offer) my wholehearted initiation for this precious compilation. Blessing.

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This Only Is Islam

Before publishing, I gave the script of this collection of Hadith to many of the non-Muslim brothers. All of them had almost the same reaction:

"Is this Islam?"

One brother expressed his suspicion too. "Is it not so that you have chosen the Hadith which present only one face, the beautiful face, of Islam?"

His suspicion was not without reason.

Mercy is a scent that cannot be kept hidden. How has this sweet smell been kept hidden so successfully? Who kept it hidden?

Remorsefully, I accept my offence.

This book is an effort to present most of the aspects of Islamic life and morality [Except Namaz, Fasting, Zakat and Haj] in the light of Hadith.

<u>Trust me, whatever is against this, is not Islam.</u>

I am guilty of God, and I am guilty of Humanity.

Both the houses of justice will accept my repentance; it is my prayer and also my hope.

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An introduction to the Hadith Literature

The Hadith is a written record of the life, practices and sayings of the prophet Muhammad (May peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). The companions of the holy prophet memorized his practices and sayings and from them, these traditions were passed on to the next generation orally. Later, they were recorded in written form or books by Islamic scholars using very strict criteria for testing the authenticity and the veracity of the narrator/chain of narrators. Each of these books is referred by the name of its complier e.g. the first collection or book of Sahih (authentic) Hadith was compiled by the scholar Imam Bukhari and therefore, it is referred as Sahih Bukhari.

The hadith literature supplements and elucidates the teachings of the Holy Quran. It is the second source of Islamic law i.e. just after the Holy Quran, which is the infallible word of the Almighty God.

Note: Abbreviation of some of words used in this book-

PBUH: Peace be upon him

RA: May Allah be pleased with him / her

Shirk (Associating Partners with God)

Somebody asked Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), "Which is the biggest sin in the Sight of Allah?" He said, "That you set up a rival (in worship) to Allah though He Alone created you." He asked, "What is next?" He said, "Then, that you kill your children, being afraid that they may share your meals with you." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "There is no one who tolerates offensive remarks which he hears with his own ears more than Allah, the Almighty. They attribute to Him having a son and He still cures their illnesses and provides them with sustenance." [Bukhari, Muslim]

Heaven and Hell

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said that one amongst the denizens of Hell, who had led a life of ease and comfort amongst the people of the world would be made to dip in fire only once on the Day of Resurrection and then it would be said to him, "O, son of Adam, did you find any comfort in the world, did you happen to get any material blessing in your worldly life?" He would say: "By Allah, no, my Lord."

And then a person from amongst the inmates of Paradise would be brought who had led the most miserable life (in the world). And he would be made to dip once in Paradise and it would be said to him, "O, son

of Adam, did you face, any hardship in your worldly life? Or had any distress fallen to you in the world?" And he would say, "By Allah, no, O my Lord, never did I face any hardship or experience any distress." [Muslim]. (It means that any pleasure or hardship of earthly life is insignificant in comparison to the hardships or pleasures of the life in hell/Heaven to the extent that even a single dip in them would make the man forget all pleasures or hardships ever experienced in the worldly life).



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "On the Day of Judgment, earth will testify to the deeds which every man and woman has done on its back." [Ahmad, Tirmidhi]



On the authority of Abu Hurayrah (RA), Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "When Allah created Paradise and the Fire, He sent Jibril to Paradise, saying, 'Look at it and at what I have prepared in it for its inhabitants.'" He (pbuh) said, "So he came to it and looked at it, and at what Allah had prepared in it. He (Jibril) said, 'Indeed, by Your Might, none shall hear of it except that he shall enter it.' Then He (Allah) gave the order for it to be surrounded with hardships. He (Allah) said, 'Return to it and look at it, and at what I have prepared in it for its inhabitants.'" He (pbuh) said, "So he (Jibril) returned to it and found it surrounded with hardships. He (Jibril) returned to Him

and said, 'Indeed, by Your Might, I fear that none shall enter it.' He (Allah) said, 'Go to the Fire and look at it and at what I have prepared in it for its inhabitants.' So he (Jibril) found it, one part of it riding the other. So he returned to Him and said, 'Indeed, by Your Might, none shall hear of it and then enter it.' So He (Allah) gave the order for it to be surrounded with desires, then He said to Jibril, 'Return to it.,' so he returned to it, then he said, 'Indeed, by Your Might, I fear that none shall be saved from it except that he shall enter it.'" [Tirmidhi, Abu Dawud, Nasai]

(Note: Jibril (PBUH) is an angel who typically is known for bringing God's communication to the chosen human beings)



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said that [In the life hereafter] everyone will regret. If he had done good deeds, he will regret for not doing more; if he were a sinner, he will regret not repenting. [Tirmidhi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "The least tormented of the inhabitants of the Fire would be he who would wear two shoes of Fire and his brain would boil on account of the heat of the shoes and he will think that he is receiving the worst punishment." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "On the Day of Judgment, a person will not be able to move his feet until he has answered the following five questions:

- 1. How did you live your life?
- 2. How did you spend your time as a youth?
- 3. Where did you earn your wealth from?
- 4. Where did you spend it?

5.How far did you act upon the knowledge that you had?" [Tirmidhi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "The servant will be brought on the Day of Judgment, and He (Allah) will say to him, 'Did I not give you hearing, sight, wealth, children, and did I not make the cattle and tillage subservient to you, and did I not leave you as the head of people taking from their wealth? Did you not think that you would have to meet me on this Day of yours?' So, he will say, 'No'. So, it will be said to him, 'Today you shall be forgotten just as you had forgotten Me.'" [Tirmidhi]

Final Prophet

Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "Every Prophet used to be sent to his

nation only, but I have been sent to all mankind". [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Do not exaggerate in praising me as the Christians praised the son of Mary, for I am only a Slave (of Allah). So, call me the Slave of Allah and His messenger." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "The believers should not differentiate between the prophets with regard to prophet hood." [Bukhari, Muslim]

Faith and Hypocrisy

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "A Muslim is born on all kinds of nature except lying and defalcating (doing fraud when entrusted with some valuable)." [Ahmad, Baihaqi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "The signs of the hypocrite are three, even though he may offer the prayer regularly and fast without break and call himself a Muslim:

- 1. when he speaks he lies,
- 2. when he promises he breaks his promise and
- 3. when he is entrusted, he betrays the trust."



Anas (RA) reported that whenever the Prophet (PBUH) addressed his companions, he would always give them the instruction, "Beware, the one who does not keep his trust has no faith, and one who does not fulfill his pledges, has no religion." [Baihaqi, Ash-Shuab al-Iman]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Guarantee me six things and I guarantee you paradise.

- 1. Whenever you speak speak truth.
- 2. Fulfill your promises when you make them.
- 3. When you are entrusted with something, carry that trust.
- 4. Safeguard your private parts,
- 5. Lower your gaze and,
- 6. Prevent your hands from harming others." [Ahmad]



The Prophet (PBUH) was once visiting a family in Medina. The mother was calling her son and telling him, "Come here son, I will give you something." The Prophet asked her, "Are you truly going to give him something?" She said: "Yes, I will give him some dates." The Prophet said, "I swear by Allah, if you were not going to give him something, it would have been considered a lie." [Abu Dawud, Baihaqi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "It is enough of a lie for a man to narrate (without verifying) everything he hears." [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "A believer can be a coward, he can be a miser but he cannot be a liar." [Malik]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), "Woe (blessing will be taken) to those who exaggerate." [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), "If a man tells you something (that he wants to keep secret) then that matter is a trust for you." [Tirmidhi, Abu Dawud]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "You will find the most evil, despicable person in the eyes of Allah on the Day of Judgment, the person with two faces. He comes to one group with one face and to another group with a different face." [Bukhari and Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad said to Wabisa bin Mabad, "You have come to ask about righteousness?" He said: "Yes." Then the Prophet said, "Consult your heart. Righteousness is that about which the soul feels satisfaction and the heart is at peace. Wrongdoing is that which disturbs you (to indicate that this is not a right thing) and creates doubt in the heart (about its correctness) even though people consider it right." [Ahmad, Darmi]



Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) said, "Beware! There is a piece of flesh in the body, if it becomes good (i.e., reformed), the whole body becomes good, but if it gets spoilt, the whole body gets spoilt, and that is the heart." [Al-Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Actions are but by intentions." [Bukhari, Muslim]



The messenger of Allah, Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Whoever offered Salah (Prayers) to show-off to others, committed *Shirk* (Taking partners with Allah), whoever observed a fast to show-off to others, committed *Shirk*, whoever did a charity to show-off to others, committed *Shirk*." [Ahmad]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said. "A person who has an atom of pride will never enter Paradise." [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Every child is born in a state of *fitrah* (the natural state of man, i.e., Islam)." [Tirmidhi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Any person who calls his brother, "O Unbeliever!" (then the truth of this label) would return to one of them. If it is true, (then it is) as he asserted, (but if it is not true), then it returns to him (and thus the person who made the accusation is in the sight of Allah an Unbeliever)." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), surrounded by a group of his companions said, "Come along and give me the pledge of allegiance that you will not worship anything besides Allah, will not steal, will not commit illegal sexual intercourse will not kill your children, will not utter slander invented by yourself, and will not disobey me if I order you to do something good. Whoever among you will respect and fulfill this pledge, will be rewarded by Allah. If one of you commits any of these sins and if he gets punishment in this world then this

will be his expiation for the sin. If one of you commits any of these sins and Allah screens his sin, then his matter will rest with Allah. It is up to Allah to punish or forgive him." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Avoid the seven great destructive sins." The people asked, "O Prophet Muhammad! What are they?" He said:

- 1. "To join partners in worship with Allah
- 2. To practice sorcery
- 3. To kill the life which Allah has forbidden except for a just cause (according to Islamic law)
- 4. To eat up Riba' (usury)
- 5. To eat up the property of an orphan
- 6. To show one's back to the enemy and fleeing from the battle-field at the time of fighting and
- 7. To accuse chaste women who never even think of anything touching their chastity and are good believers." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Cleanliness is half the Faith (*Iman*)." [Tirmidhi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Faith has sixty or seventy branches, the best of which is to declare there is no God but Allah, the lowest of which is to remove something harmful from the road, and modesty is a branch of faith." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Modesty and cautiously withholding the tongue are two branches of faith, while obscenity and eloquence are two branches of hypocrisy." [Tirmidhi]

Misuse of Knowledge

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Whoever is asked about some knowledge that he knows about and then he hides it and keeps it away, he will be bridled on the Day of Judgment with a bridle of fire." [Ahmad, Abu Dawud, Ibn Majah and Al-Tirmidhi]



The Messenger of Allah said, "He who does not acquire knowledge with the sole intention of seeking the Pleasure of Allah but does so for the worldly gain, will not smell the fragrance of Paradise on the Day of Resurrection." [Ahmad, Abu Dawud and Ibn Majah]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "He who acquires knowledge in order to fall into polemics with other scholars and prove his superiority over them, or to dispute with the ignorant or to attract the attention of the people, Allah will throw him in the Fire." [Tirmidhi and Ibn Majah]

Temporary World and Permanent Hereafter

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "By Allah, this world in comparison to the hereafter is nothing but as though one of you dipped his finger in the sea. So ponder how much (of sea water), the finger returns with." [Muslim]



Umar (May God be pleased with him) stated that once he went to see the Holy Prophet and found him lying on a reed mat which had no cover. The marks of the mat were on the body of the Holy Prophet. The room was bare and there was no sign of any comfort. Umar (May God be pleased with him) said to the Holy Prophet, "O Messenger of God, supplicate God to enrich your people for He has enriched the Persians and the Byzantines, and yet they do not worship him." The Holy Prophet replied, "Is that how you feel, Ibn-al-Khattab? These people have been given their good things in advance in the present world. Are you not pleased that they should have the present world, and we should have the next?" [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Be in the world as if you are a stranger or a traveler." [Bukhari]



Thauban, a slave of the Prophet, narrated that whenever the Prophet went away on a journey, the last thing he did was to visit (his daughter) Fatima. Similarly, on return he would first meet Fatima. Once when he returned from an expedition, he saw a curtain hanging on the door of Fatima's house. He also saw Hassan and Hussain wearing silver bracelets. The Prophet stayed and did not enter the house. Fatima at once perceived the reason and she got the curtain and the bracelets taken off. The children went weeping to the Prophet who took the bracelets and said to Thauban. "Take these to such and such person." Then pointing towards Hasan and Hussain he continued, "These are the members of my household. I do not want them to enjoy the life of this world. O Thauban, bring a necklace of date leaves for Fatima and also two bracelets of ivory." [Ahmad, Abu Dawud]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "This world is a prison for the believer and a paradise for the disbeliever." [Muslim]



Ibn Masood (RA), narrated that he found the Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, lying on a hard mat. When he saw the marks that the mat had left on the Prophet's body, he began to wipe them, and

suggested that the Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, get something better to sleep on. The Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, said, "What do I have to do with this worldly life? I and this worldly life are but like a traveler who stopped for a little while under a tree to get some shade and then moved on." [Ahmad, Tirmidhi and Ibn Majah]



The Prophet may the mercy and blessings of God be upon him, asked the Companions, "Who amongst you loves the money of his inheritors more than his own money?" They replied, "O Messenger of God! There is no one of us except that he loves his own money more than he loves the money of his inheritors." So, the Prophet replied, "But his money is only that which he sent forth (that is the money he spent on charity), and the money of his inheritors is what he left behind." [Bukhari]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "When carried to his grave, a dead person is followed by three things, two of which return (after his burial) and one remains with him. His relatives, his property, and his deeds follow him. His relatives and property return back while his deeds remain with him." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) asked, "Can anyone walk through water without getting one's feet wet?" The companions replied, "No." The Beloved Prophet (Peace and blessings be upon him) said: "Such is the condition of those of the world (people in the world). They are not safe from sins." [Baihaqi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Love of the world is the root of all evil." [Baihaqi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "When a slave confesses his sins and asks Allah for forgiveness, Allah accepts his repentance." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "If Adam's son had a valley full of gold, he would like to have two valleys, for nothing fills his mouth except dust (man continues to be greedy until his death comes and he is laid in his grave). And Allah forgives him who repents to Him." [Bukhari]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "When you see a person who has been given more than you in money and beauty, then look to those who have been given less." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Narrated Abu Musa, "Two men from my tribe and I entered upon (came to) the Prophet. One of the two men said to the Prophet, 'O Prophet Muhammad (PBUH)! Appoint me as a governor,' and so did the second. The Prophet said, 'We do not assign the authority of ruling to those who ask for it, or to those who are keen to have it.'" [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Be a son of the hereafter and do not be a son of the world." [Abu Naim]

Good Manners and Morality

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "God has sent me to perfect good manners." [Sharh-us-sunnat]



Abu Dhar said: I went in to visit God's messenger. He then mentioned the tradition at length till he came to the following: I asked God's messenger to give me some instruction and he replied, "I enjoin you to fear God, for that will be the best adornment for everything that concerns you." I asked him to tell me more, and he said, "Engage in recitation of the Qur'an and remembrance of God who is Great and Glorious, for it will be a means of

your being mentioned in heaven and will be a light for you in the earth." I asked him to tell me more, and he said, "Observe long silence, for it is a means of driving away the devil and is a help to you in your religion." I asked him to tell me more, and he said, "Avoid much laughter, for it makes the heart dead and takes away the light of the face." I asked him to tell me more, and he said, "Speak the truth, even if it is bitter." I asked him to tell me more, and he said, "Do not fear anyone's blame when you are serving God." I asked him to tell me more, and he said, "Know your shortcomings and don't blame other people for similar shortcomings." [Mishkat]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Two traits are not combined in a believer: Stinginess and bad manners." [Tirmidhi]



The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said, "One who disobeys his parents will not enter Paradise, nor the one who has faith in magic, nor the drunkard of wine, nor the one who denies providence." [Musnad Ahmad]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "He is not one of us who does not have mercy upon our young, respect our elders, and command good and forbid evil." [Tirmidhi]



The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him said, "By Him in whose hand is my soul, a servant (of Allah) does not believe (truly) until he likes for his brother what he likes for himself ". [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Verily Allah is the most kind, the most merciful and likes kindness and mercy (in his slaves)." [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "On the Day of Judgment the dearest and closest to me, as regards my company, will be those persons, who will bear the best moral character. And those among you, who will bear the worst moral character, and who talk with affectation and are given to boasting, will be the most repugnant to me, and farthest from me on the Day of Judgment" [Ahmad, Ibn Hibban, al-Tabarani and al-Baihaqi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "The creation is the family of Allah. So the dearest of the creation of Allah is he who is the best to His family." [Baihaqi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Anybody who believes in Allah and the Last Day should not harm his neighbor, and anybody who believes in Allah and the Last Day should entertain his guest generously and anybody who believes in Allah and the Last Day should talk what is good or keep quiet. (i.e. abstain from all kinds of evil and dirty talk)". [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "A Muslim is the one from whose tongue and hand Muslims are safe and a believer is the one in whom people place their trust in regard to their life and wealth." [Tirmidhi, Nasai]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "He, who is not thankful to the people, is (surely) not thankful to Allah." [Ahmad, Tirmidhi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Whoever would like his *rizq* (provision) to be increased and his life to be extended, should uphold the ties of kinship." [Bukhari and Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "No father can give his child anything better than good manners." [Tirmidhi, Baihaqi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "None of you should take even the stick of his brother, in jest or with the intention of not returning. Anyone who does so should, therefore, return it." [Tirmidhi and Abu Dawood]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Unique quality of a believer is that there is good for him in every matter while this is not the case with anyone except the believer. If he is happy, then he thanks Allah and thus there is good for him, and if he is harmed, then he shows patience and thus there is good for him." [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "The best people among you are those whose very presence reminds one of Allah." [Ibn Majha]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "It is a great treachery that you tell your brother something he

accepts as truth from you, but you are telling a lie." [Abu Dawud]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Verily, jealousy eats up your good deeds like fire eats up the wood." [Abu Dawud]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Anger spoils faith (*iman*) as (the bitterness of) Aloe's sap spoils honey." [Baihaqi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Beware of suspicion. Suspicion is the most untrue speech. Do not spy and do not eavesdrop. Do not compete with each other and do not envy each other and do not hate each other and do not shun each other. Be O slaves of Allah, brothers." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Ibn-e-Abbas narrated that one day two people who were fasting offered afternoon prayer behind the Prophet (PBUH). After the prayer the Prophet (PBUH) said, "Both of you again do the ablution and repeat your prayers and after completing today's fast, you observe the fast again tomorrow (meaning your prayers and

fasts have become futile). They asked the reason, "Why O Allah's prophet?" He replied, "Because you have done backbiting of so and so." [Baihaqi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "A *Qattat* (Backbiter) will not enter Paradise." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "It does not befit a man of truth to have the habit of cursing." [Tirmidhi]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Allah has forbidden you: disobedience to your mothers, to withhold (what you should give), or demand (what you do not deserve), and to bury your daughters alive. And Allah dislikes idle talk, to ask too many questions (for things which will be of no benefit to one), and to waste your wealth". [Al-Bukhari and Muslim].



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Whoever guarantees me (the chastity of) what is between his legs (i.e. his private parts), and what is between his jaws (i.e. his tongue), I guarantee him Paradise." [Bukhari]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "There is to be no envy except with regard to two: A man whom Allah has given wealth which he strives to spend righteously, and a man to whom Allah has given the Wisdom (i.e. the Qur'an) and he acts according to it and teaches it to others." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "A person should not enter into a transaction when someone is already making a transaction and he should not make a proposal of marriage when his someone has already made a proposal except when he gives permission." [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "The Muslim is not allowed to abandon (i.e. break off relationship) a Muslim brother more than three (nights). If three days pass and he meets him, he should greet him. If he (the other believer) returns his greeting, then they share the reward but if he does not return it, he (alone) will incur the sin." [Abu Dawud]



'Uqbah ibn 'Amir (RA) said, "I asked, 'O Messenger of Allah, what is salvation?' He said, 'Control your tongue, keep to your house and weep over your sins.'" [Ahmad, Tirmidhi]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "When your brother seeks the counsel of any one of you, you should give your (honest) opinion". [Tirmidhi]

Tolerance

It is narrated on the authority of Abdullah bin Amr bin al-As (RA) that the Messenger of Allah (PBUH) observed, "Abusing one's parents is one of the major sins." They (the hearers) said, "Messenger of Allah, does a man abuse his parents too?" He (the Holy Prophet) replied, "Yes, one abuses the father of another man, who in turn abuses his father. One abuses his mother and he in turn abuses his (the former's) mother." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Abu Huraira (RA) mentions that a man came to the Prophet and said, "Messenger of Allah, I have some relatives whose relationship I foster but they cut me off. I am kind to them but they are unkind to me. They treat me harshly and I forbear." The Prophet (PBUH) said, "If what you say is true, it is as if you are making them eat burning ashes. You will continue to have Allah's support against them as long as you maintain this attitude towards them." [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "The strong man is not one who wrestles well but the strong man is one who controls himself when he is in a fit of rage." [Saheeh Muslim]



The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "The believer who mixes with people and patiently bears their annoyance will have a greater reward than the believer who does not mix with people to avoid bearing their annoyance." [Al-Tirmidhi and Ibn Majah]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Moses (PBUH) asked Allah, 'My Lord! Which one is the dearest to You among Your creatures?' Allah (the Exalted) said, 'The one who has the power to take revenge, yet forgives.'" [Mishkat]



Ibn Mas'ud (RA) said, "It is as if I am looking at the Messenger of Allah (may Allah bless him and grant him peace) when he told me of a prophet who had been beaten by his people until he was bleeding. Wiping the blood from his face, he said, 'O Allah! Pardon my people, for surely they don't know.'" [Bukhari, Muslim]

Rights of the People

The Prophet (PBUH) said, "All the sins of a martyr are forgiven except the rights of people (unpaid debt etc.)". [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Allah will say on the Day of Judgment, 'Son of Adam, I was sick but you did not visit Me.' He'll reply, 'My Lord, how could I visit You when You are the Lord of the Worlds?' Allah will say, 'Did you not know that one of My servants was sick and you didn't visit him? If you had visited him you would have found Me there.' Then Allah will say, 'Son of Adam, I needed food but you did not feed Me.' He'll reply, 'My Lord, how could I feed You when You are the Lord of the Worlds?' Allah will say, 'Did you not know that one of My servants was hungry but you did not feed him? If you had fed him you would have found its reward with Me.' Further, Allah will say, 'Son of Adam, I was thirsty, but you did not give Me something to drink.' He'll reply, 'My Lord, How could I give a drink when You are the Lord of the Worlds?' Allah will say, 'Did you not know that one of My servants was thirsty but you did not give him a drink? If you had given him a drink, you would have found its reward with Me.'" [Al-Bukhari]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "You should mention only the good things about the dead and avoid discussing their bad things." [Abu Dawud, Tirmidhi]

Neighbors

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "By God, he cannot be a *Momin* (true believer); by God, he cannot be a *Momin*." He was asked (by those gathered around to listen to him), "Who"? He answered, "He from whose misdeeds his neighbor is not safe." [Bukhari, Muslim]



It is narrated by Imam Ahmed that one person asked the Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), "O Messenger of Allah! A certain woman is very famous for her prayers, fasting and many charities, but she talks rudely with her neighbors. Tell me, what will be her fate?" He replied that she would go to Hell. Then that person asked, "O Messenger of Allah! Another woman does not do much by way of prayers and fasting; gives pieces of cheese in charity and does not harm her neighbors." He replied, "She is of the Paradise." [Ahmad, Baihaqi]



Ibn Umar (RA) reported Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) as saying, "Gabriel (the angel who brings revelations from Allah) impressed upon me the kind treatment towards the neighbor so much so that I thought as if he would soon confer upon the neighbors even the right of inheritance." [Saheeh Muslim]



The prophet of Allah said, "He is not a true believer who eats his fill while his neighbor is hungry." [Baihaqi]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "O Abu Zar! If you happen to cook broth, then add some water in it so that you share it with your neighbor." [Bukhari]



A man once asked the Prophet, "How can I know when I do well and when I do ill?" The Prophet replied, "When you hear your neighbors say you have done well, you have done well and when you hear them say you have done ill, you have done ill." [Al-Tirmidhi]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "You may not raise your walls in such a manner as to block the light or air of your neighbor." [Tabraani]

<u>Orphans</u>

Abu Huraira (RA) reported Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) as saying, "The best house among the Muslims is the one where an orphan is well treated, and the worst house among the Muslims is the one where an orphan is badly treated." [Ibn-e-Majha]



Abu Huraira (RA) reports that the Messenger of Allah (PBUH) stated, "Whoever caresses the head of an orphan (in affection), solely for the sake of Allah, a good deed will be written to his account for every hair over which he passed his hand, and whoever treated an orphan (boy or girl) with goodness and kindness, he and I will be close to each-other in Heaven as these two fingers" The Prophet (PBUH) made a gesture with his fingers as explained above. [Bukhari]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Would you like that your heart becomes soft and that you acquire what you need? Then be merciful with the orphans, pat their head and feed them from what you eat." [Ahmad]

Unity

The Prophet (PBUH) said to his companions, "Shall I not tell you of something that is better than fasting, prayer and charity?" They said, "Yes." He said, "Making

reconciliation between two people." [Tirmidhi, Abu Dawood]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "He is not a liar who reconciles between people, conveying good messages and saying good things (even if he spoke lie to reconcile them)." [Al-Bukhari, Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Exchange gifts. This will generate mutual feelings of love and eliminate feelings of animosity and estrangement from your hearts. No one should scorn the gift of a neighbor, even if it be (only) a sheep's foot." [Tirmidhi]



One day when Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) came, the companions were sitting here and there. He said, "What is the matter that I am seeing you dispersed? (You don't seem to be united)" [Abu Dawood]

Communal Harmony

The Prophet (PBUH) said, "If any Muslim killed a Muahid (i.e. non-Muslim living in Muslim land with agreement) then he (Muslim) shall not even smell the fragrance of Paradise although the fragrance of Paradise would have

been perceived from the distance of travelling for 40 years." [Sahih Bukhari]



The Prophet of Mercy (PBUH) said, "Beware! Whosoever oppresses a Muahid (i.e. Non-Muslim living in Muslim land with agreement) or snatches (any of) his rights or causes him pain which he cannot bear, or takes anything from him without his permission, Then "I WILL FIGHT AGAINST SUCH A (MUSLIM) ON THE DAY OF JUDGEMENT" [Sunnan Abu Dawud]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "He is not one of us who calls for asabiyyah, (sectarianism) or who fights for asabiyyah, or who dies for asabiyyah." [Abu Dawud]



It is reported that when Prophet (PBUH) was asked, "O Prophet of God! What is *asabiyyah* (tribalism)?" He replied, "That you support your nation (or tribe or race) in oppression." [Ahmad, Ibn Majha]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "The best among you is the person who defends his tribe till they do not commit a sin and he himself does not commit sin." [Abu Dawud]

Oppression

Narrated Ibn Abbas (RA) that the Prophet (PBUH) sent Muadh (RA) to Yemen and said, "Be afraid from the curse of the oppressed as there is no screen between his invocation and Allah." [Saheeh Bukhari]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Allah will not be merciful to those who are not merciful to the people." [Bukhari, Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Allah writes 73 mercies for the one who listens to the complaints of the downtrodden and the oppressed. Among them, one of the mercies is the one which becomes the cause for the amendment of all his deeds and the remaining 72 will become the cause for achieving higher places on the Day of Judgment." [Baihaqi]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Allah will keep them in severe pain those who oppress people in this world." [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Listen! Do not commit oppression against one another and it is not lawful to take anybody's wealth without his permission." [Baihaqi, Darqutani]



Iyad bin Himar (RA) reported that Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said, "Allah has revealed to me that you should humble yourselves to one another. One should neither hold himself above another nor transgress against another." [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Beware of committing oppression for on the Day of Resurrection oppression will be darkness." [Muslim]



Abu Huraira (RA) reported that Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said, "Do you know who the bankrupt is?" They said, "The bankrupt among us is one who has neither money with him nor any property." He said, "The real bankrupt of my *ummah* (people) would be he who would come on the Day of Resurrection with *Salat* (Namaz), *Saum* (Fasting) and *Sadaqah* (charity), but he will find himself bankrupt on that day as he will have exhausted the good deeds because he abused others, leveled false accusation against others, unlawfully took the wealth of others, shed the blood of others and beat

others; so his good deeds would be credited to the account of those (who suffered at his hand). If his good deeds fall short to clear the account, their sins would be entered in his account and he would be thrown in the (Hell) Fire." [Saheeh Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "If people see an oppressor but do not stop him, then Allah will punish them all." [Abu Dawud]



The Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Help your brother, whether he is an oppressor or he is oppressed." The Prophet was asked, "It is right to help him if he is oppressed, but how should we help him if he is an oppressor?" He replied, "By preventing him from oppressing others." [Saheeh Bukhari]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Allah does not bless a people among whom a weak man is not given his right." [Mishkat]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "The worst of rulers are those who treat their subjects harshly." [Al Bukhari]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Whoever assists in any dispute, in oppression or collaborates with the oppressor, he is out of Islam". [Baihaqi]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Beware of the plea of the oppressed, for he asks Allah, the most high, only for his due, and Allah does not keep the one who has a right from receiving what is due." [Baihaqi]

Basis of (Social) Status

The Prophet (PBUH) said, "The most respected among you in the sight of Allah is he who is more pious." [Bukhari, Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Tribe is not something because of which you humiliate someone. All of you are children of Adam. Just like a scale is equal to another scale until it is filled, similarly there is no reason for somebody to be better than somebody else except by faith and piety." [Ahmad, Baihaqi]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Allah does not look at your appearances or your financial status, but He looks at your hearts and your actions." [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "You are not better than the people with red or black skins unless you excel them in piety." [Ahmad]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Verily, Allah has removed from you the pride of the time of ignorance with its boasting about ancestors. Verily, either one is a believer who fears Allah or a miserable sinner. The people are all the children of Adam, and Adam was created from dust." [Sunan At-Tirmidhi]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Even if a slave, whose nose or ear are mutilated, was appointed over you, and he rules you with Allah's Book, then listen to him and obey him." [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "When the servant brings to one of you his food, then if he does not make him sit with him (to eat at the same table), let him give him a morsel or two morsels, for he has labored to prepare it." [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "They (slaves or servants) are your brothers, and Allah has put them under your command. So, the one under whose hand Allah has put his brother, should feed him of what he eats, and give him dresses of what he wears, and should not ask him to do a thing beyond his capacity. And if at all he asks him to do a hard task, he should help him therein." [Bukhari]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Give the worker his wages before his sweat dries." [Tirmidhi Hadith and Ibn Majah]



Anas (RA) said, "I served the Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) (and his family) for ten years. (During these 10 years) he was never cross/angry and never said even 'oh!' and never asked as to why I did this or didn't do that." [Bukhari & Muslim]

<u>Justice</u>

The Prophet (PBUH) said, "A judge should not judge between two persons while he is in an angry mood." [Bukhari, Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "On the Day of Judgment, the just judge is brought (to be reckoned) and even he will go through some moments when he will wish that he would not have judged between any two people even with regards to a date." [Ahmad]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "O people, those who have gone before you were destroyed, because if any one of high rank committed theft amongst them, they spared him; and if anyone of low rank committed theft, they inflicted the prescribed punishment upon him. By Allah, if Fatima, daughter of Muhammad, were to steal, I would have her hand cut off." [Muslim and Bukhari]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Shall I not tell you who the best of witnesses is? He is the one who brings his testimony before he is asked for it, or tells his testimony before he is asked for it." [Muslim]

Parents

The Prophet (PBUH) said, "The pleasure and approval of Allah lies in the pleasure of parents and the displeasure of Allah lies in the displeasure of parents." [Tirmidhi]



Abu Bakr (RA) narrated, "The Prophet (PBUH) said thrice, 'Shall I not inform you of the biggest of the great sins?' We said, 'Yes, O Prophet Muhammad (PBUH)' He said, 'To join partners in worship with Allah and to be undutiful to one's parents.' The Prophet sat up after he had been reclining and added, 'and I warn you against giving forged statement and a false witness; I warn you against giving a forged statement and a false witness.' The Prophet kept on saying that warning till we thought that he would not stop." [Bukhari]



Mu'awiyyah as-Sulami (may Allah exalt his mention) said to the Messenger of Allah (PBUH), "I want to go for *Jihad* (holy war) in the way of Allah." The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) asked, "Is your mother alive?" He said, "Yes." He said, "Stay with her, for *Jannah* (Paradise) is under her feet." [Ahmad and Nasa'ee]



A man came to the Prophet and said, "O Messenger of God! Who among the people is the most worthy of my good companionship?" The Prophet said, "Your mother". The man said, "Then who?" The Prophet said, "Then your mother." The man further asked, "Then who?" The Prophet said, "Then your mother". The man asked again, "Then who?" The Prophet said, "Then your father." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Asma (RA) narrated, "In the sacred lifetime of the Holy Prophet (PBUH), my mother visited me on one occasion. She was a polytheist at that time. I asked to the Holy Prophet (PBUH), 'My mother has come to pay me a visit and she is an unbeliever in Islam. How should I treat her?' The Holy Prophet (PBUH) observed, 'Yes, you should continue to show kindness to your mother.'" [Saheeh Bukhari]



It has been reported from Abdullah ibn Umar that the Holy Prophet (PBUH) said, "The noblest regard one can show to ones father after his death is to treat well his (father's) friends." [Bukhari]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Allah defers (the punishment of) all sins to the Day of Resurrection except disobedience to parents, for which Allah punishes the sinner in this life before his death." [Baihaqi]

Women

The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) forbade the killing of women and children (in war). [Bukhari, Muslim]



Narrated by Rabah ibn Rabi', "When we were with Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) on an expedition, he saw

some people collected together over something and sent a man and said, 'See, what are these people collected around?' He then came and said, 'They are around a woman who has been killed.' He said, 'This is not the one with whom fighting should have taken place.' Khalid ibn al-Walid was in charge of the van, so he sent a man and said, 'Tell Khalid not to kill a woman or a hired servant.'" [Abu Dawud]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Should I not tell you what is the best charity? It is to spend on the daughter who has been returned to you (a divorced or widowed daughter), when there is no one else to earn for her." [Ibn Majha]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Whoever had a daughter born to him, and he did not bury her alive or humiliate her, and he did not prefer his son over her, Allah (the Exalted) will admit him to Paradise because of her." [Abu Dawud]



Sayyidina Anas ibn Malik (RA) reported that Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "As for him who has two daughters and who takes good care of them until they are mature, I and he will enter paradise like these two" and, he gestured with two fingers (The index and next fingers). [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "A woman, just like a man, can give someone the right of refuge and security among the Muslims." [Tirmidhi]



On some women's complaints against their husbands' ill-treatment of them, the Prophet said, "You will not find these men as the best among you." [Abu Dawud]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "The widow or the divorced woman shall not be married until she has consented and the virgin shall not be married until her consent is obtained." [Bukhari, Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "An orphan girl should be consulted with regard to marriage, and if she remains silent, that is her permission. If she refuses then she is not to be forced." [Tirmidhi, Abu Dawud, Nasai, Darmi]



Narrated Abdullah ibn Abbas, "A virgin came to the Prophet (PBUH) and mentioned that her father had married her against her will, so the Prophet (PBUH)

allowed her to exercise her choice (whether to stay married or get divorced). [Abu Dawud]



Narrated Al-Qasim that a woman from the offspring of Ja'far was afraid lest her guardian marry her (to somebody) against her will. So she sent for two elderly men from the Ansar, 'Abd-ur-Rahman and Mujammi', the two sons of Jariya, and they said to her, "Don't be afraid, for Khansa' bint Khidam was given by her father in marriage against her will, then the Prophet (PBUH) cancelled that marriage." [Bukhari]



A woman said to the prophet (PBUH), "O Prophet Muhammad (PBUH)! This is son of mine, my womb was a protective bag for him, and my breasts were his sustenance, and my house was a protection for him. Now, his father has divorced me, and wishes to take him away from me." The Prophet (PBUH) said to her, "You have more right to him, as long as you do not re-marry." [Ahmad. Abu Dawud]

Marital Life

The Prophet (PBUH) said, "If one of you proposes to a woman and if he is able to look at of her that which motivates him to marry her, let him do so." [Abu Dawud]



When Mughirah Ibn Shu'bah (RA) made a proposal of marriage to a woman, the Prophet (PBUH) said, "Have you seen her?" He said, "No." The Prophet said to him, "See her, because this may make your relationship more permanent." [An-Nasa'i, Ibn Majah and Tirmidhi]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "A woman may be married for four reasons: for her property, her status, her beauty, and her piety; so try to get the one who is pious, may you be blessed." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Narrated Ibn Umar (RA) that Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "The lawful thing which Allah hates most is divorce." [Abu Dawud]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Iblis (Satan) places his throne on the sea, and then he sends forth his armies. The nearest of them to him in rank is the greatest in sedition. One of them comes and says, 'I did such and such', He Says, 'You did not do anything' Then another comes and says, 'I did not leave him until I had split him from his wife.' He brings him near and says 'You did well'." [Muslim]



The Holy Prophet was informed that a person had pronounced three divorces on his wife in one sitting. He stood up in anger and said, "Are the people playing with the Book of Allah, although I am present among you?" [Nasai]

Treatment of Animals

Narrated Sahl ibn al-Hanzaliyyah that the Messenger of Allah (PBUH) came upon an emaciated camel and said, "Fear Allah regarding these dumb animals. Ride them when they are in good condition and feed them when they are in good condition." [Abu Dawud]



It is related from Ibn Abbas that the Messenger of Allah, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, forbade inciting animals to fight one another. [Abu Dawud and Tirmidhi]



The companions asked, "O Prophet of God, do we get rewarded on humane treatment of animals?" He said, "There is a reward in (doing good to) every living being." [Bukhari]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "A man was walking on a road when he became very thirsty. He found a well and went

into it and drank and came out. There was a dog panting and eating earth out of thirst. The man said, 'This dog has become as thirsty as I was.' He went down into the well and filled his shoe and then held it in his mouth until he climbed out and gave the dog water to drink. Allah thanked him for it and forgave him." [Bukhari]

Manners of the Road

Narrated Abu Said Al-Khudri RA) that the Prophet (PBUH) said, "Beware! Avoid sitting on the roads." They (the people) said, "O Allah's Apostle! We can't help sitting (on the roads) as these are (our places) where we have talks." The Prophet said, "If you refuse but to sit, then pay the road its right." They said, "What is the right of the road, O Prophet Muhammad (PBUH)?" He said, "Lowering your gaze, refraining from harming others, returning greeting, and enjoining what is good, and forbidding what is evil." [Bukhari]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "I saw a man going about in paradise (and enjoying himself) as a reward for cutting from the middle of the road, a tree, which was causing inconvenience to the people." [Muslim]

Manners of Gathering

The Prophet (PBUH) said, "It is better to sit alone than in company with the bad; and it is better still to sit with the good than alone. It is better to speak to a seeker of knowledge than to remain silent; but silence is better than idle words." [Bukhari]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "When two persons are together, two of them must not whisper to each other, without letting the third hear; because it would hurt him." [Bukhari, Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "It is not permissible for a person to sit between two people without their permission." [Abu Dawud]



Reported by Ibn Umar (RA): Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said, "Do not ask someone to give up his seat in order to take it, but make accommodation wide and sit at ease." [Bukhari, Muslim]

<u>Dining Etiquettes and</u> <u>Treating Guests</u>

The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) forbade drinking whilst standing. [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) prohibited from breathing into the drinking vessel or blowing onto it. [At-Tirmidhi].



Anas (RA) reported that the Messenger of Allah (PBUH) used to breathe three times in the course of a drink (he used to drink in three gulps). [Al-Bukhari and Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) prohibited to drink water from the side of the broken part of the bowl. [Abu Dawud]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Mention Allah's Name (i.e., say 'Bismillah' before starting to eat), eat with your right hand, and eat from your side of the dish." [Bukhari, Muslim]



The Messenger of Allah (may Allah bless him and grant him peace) said that, "Eat together and recite 'Bismillah' (in the name of Allah), there will be blessings for you in this." [Abu Dawud]



The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) would eat the food if he liked, otherwise would leave what he did not want but would never complain about any of the food openly or verbally. [Bukhari, Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Do not combine hunger with lying (meaning if you are feeling hungry then do not hide it out of formality)." [Ibn-e-Majha]



Ibn 'Umar (RA) said that the Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings of Allah be on him, said, "When food is placed (before a company), no one should get up until the food is removed; nor should any one raise up his hand (from the food), though he may have satisfied his hunger, until the people have finished for this causes his companion to become ashamed, so he withholds his hand though he may still need food." [Ibn-e-Majha, Baihaqi]



Abu Huraira (RA) reported that the Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said, "When any of you is invited to a meal, he should accept the invitation. If he is observing *Saum* (fasting), he should supplicate for the betterment of the host and if he is not fasting, he should eat." [Muslim]



The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said, "Hosting the guest shall last for three days and his gift is one more day and one more night. Whatever is beyond that, it will be an act of *Sadaqah* (charity by the host) to him (the guest)." After three days the guest must not stay, unless he knows that the host is willing to accommodate him. [Bukhari, Saheeh Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "He who does not accept an invitation which he receives, has disobeyed Allah and His Apostle, and he who enters without invitation enters as a thief and goes out as a raider." [Abu Dawud]



Once, Abu Shuaib invited Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) and some of his companions for a meal. Another person, who met them on the way and was not invited, also came along with them. The Prophet (PBUH) said (to Abu Shuaib), "This man followed us, so if you allow him, he will join us, and if you want him to return, he will go back." Abu Shuaib said, "No, I have allowed him (i.e. he, too, was welcomed to the meal)." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Narrated Abdullah ibn Abbas (RA) that the Prophet (PBUH) forbade that the food of two people who were rivaling with one another should be eaten. [Abu Dawud]



The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said, "The most evil food is that of the walimah (wedding reception) in which the rich are invited but the poor are left out." [Bukhari, Muslim]

Karma

The Prophet (PBUH) said, "The deeds most loved by Allah (are those) done regularly, even if they are small." [Bukhari, Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "You are required to take upon yourselves only what you can carry out easily. By Allah, Allah does not withhold His Mercy and forgiveness of you until you neglect and give up (good works). Allah likes the deeds best which a worshipper can carry out constantly." [Bukhari, Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Anyone whose feet are covered with dust in Allah's cause, shall be saved by Allah from the Hell-Fire." [Saheeh Bukhari]



The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said, "Verily! Setting out in the early morning or in the evening in order to fight in

Allah's way is better than the world and what it contains." [Bukhari, Muslim]



The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said, "Whosoever of you sees an evil, let him change it with his hand; and if he is not able to do so, then [let him change it] with his tongue; and if he is not able to do so, then with his heart — and that is the weakest of faith." [Tirmidhi]

Middle Path

Three people came to the house of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) and were discussing among themselves. One of them said, "As for me, I will pray every night from now on." Another said, "As for me, I will fast for the rest of my life and will never break my fast." The third said, "As for me, I will have nothing to do with women and I will never marry." The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) came to them and said, "Are you the people who said such-and-such? By Allah, I am the one who fears Allah more than anyone, but I fast and I break my fast, I pray and I rest, and I get married." [Bukhari, Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) saw an old man walking, supported by his two sons, and asked about him. The people informed him that he had vowed to go on foot (to the Ka`ba). He said, "Allah is not in need of this old man's torturing himself," and ordered him to ride. [Bukhari, Muslim]



On one of his expeditions, when one of the companions of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) came upon a mountain path containing a small spring of fresh water, which delighted him, he expressed a desire to withdraw from the people and stay on the path. He mentioned that to Prophet Muhammad who replied, "Do not do it, for when any of you remains on Allah's path it is better than prayer in His house for seventy years. Do you not want Allah to forgive you and bring you into Paradise? [Tirmidhi]



The Prophet (PBUH) said "Remember! Neither have I been sent to you with the religion of (present day) Jews (that I entrap you in this world), nor have I been sent to you with the religion of (present day) Christians (that I let you retract from this world), but I have been sent with eternal and easy religion. [Ahmad]

Self-Respect

The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Nobody has ever eaten a better meal than that which one has earned by working with one's own hands." [Bukhari]



The Prophet of Allah (PBUH) said to Abu Dharr, "Would you like to enter into a pledge with me?" Abu Dharr immediately outstretched his hand. He said, "Give me the pledge that you will never ask anyone. Even if a whip falls down, you will not ask anyone to pass it on to you but rather, will descend down the beast to retrieve it." [Ahmad]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "It is better for anyone of you to take a rope and bring a bundle of wood over his back and sell it, and Allah will save his face because of that, rather than to ask the people who may or may not give." [Bukhari]



The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said, "When you see those who shower undue praises upon others throw dust upon their faces." [Muslim]

Business and Legitimate Earning

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "May Allah's mercy be on him who is lenient in his buying, selling, and in demanding back his money." [Bukhari]



The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) cursed the one who gives a bribe and the one who takes it. [Abu Dawud, Ibn Majha, Tirmidhi, Baihaqi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) mentioned a man who after a long journey is disheveled and dust-colored. [The man] stretches his hands out toward the sky and says, 'O Lord, O Lord', while his food is unlawful, his drink his unlawful, his clothing unlawful and his nourishment is unlawful. How does he expect Almighty God to respond to his prayers?" [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "O you people who trade, verily trade is such a thing wherein there is much vain talk and oaths are taken. So mix it with *Sadaqah* (charity)". [Abu Dawud, Nasai, Ibn Majha, Tirmidhi]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Refrain from swearing excessively in business transactions because swearing produces a ready sale but blots out the blessing." [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Do not go to meet the caravans on the way (for buying their goods without letting them know the market price). If any trader went ahead and bought the goods in this way, the owner would then have the right to cancel the deal, (if he wished), on reaching the market." [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said: "Whosoever sells a defective product without disclosing its defect to the purchaser, shall earn the permanent anger of Almighty Allah." [Ibn-e-Majah]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) told the owners of measures and weights, "You have been entrusted with affairs over which some nations before you were destroyed" [It means that there were people who were destroyed by God because of cheating, fraud and forgery in their business. A believer MUST abstain from these]. [Tirmidhi]



Anas bin Malik (RA) reported that Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) forbade the sale of fruits until they are mellow. They (the companions of Anas) said, "What is meant by 'mellow'? He said, "It implies that they become red. When Allah hinders the growth of fruits, (then) what for

the wealth of your brother would become permissible for you? [Bukhari, Muslim]



The prophet of Allah (PBUH) has prohibited the bulk sale of crops of a few years and he (PBUH) has ordered to help the one in hardship. [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Do not earn profit out of that which you do not possess and do not sell what you do not possess." [Tirmidhi, Abu Dawud, Nasai]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Whoever hoards food for 40 days (in spite of severe shortage) with the objective of hiking its price, then after that, even if he gives it in charity, it will not be sufficient for him to absolve from its sin." [Mishkat Al-Masabeeh]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) forbade the sale (not providing for free) of excess water. [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "The owners of the gardens are responsible for guarding them by day, and the

owners of the animals are responsible for guarding them by night. Any damage done by animals during the night is a responsibility lying on their owners." [Malik, Abu Dawud, Ibn-e-Majha]



The Prophet (PBUH) forbade taking a price for animal copulation. [Bukhari]

Loan and Interest

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Procrastination (delay) in repaying debts by a wealthy person is injustice." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "If a man extends a loan to someone, he should not accept a gift (from the debtor)." [Bukhari]



Narrated Jabir (RA), "The Prophet of Allah (PBUH) owed me some money and paid back more than he had borrowed." (of his own free will) [Abu Dawud]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Even when interest is much, it is bound to end up into paltriness." [Ibn-e-Majha, Baihaqi, Ahmad]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "There will certainly come a time for mankind when everyone will take *Riba* (interest) and if he does not do so, its dust will reach him." [Abu Dawud, Ahmad, Nasai, Ibn Majha]



The Prophet of Allah (PBUH) cursed the receiver and the payer of interest, the one who records it and the two witnesses to the transaction and said, "They are all alike [in guilt]." [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Whoever alleviates [the situation of] one in dire straits who cannot repay his debt, Allah will alleviate his lot in both this world and in the Hereafter." [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "There is no *Riba* (interest) in hand-to-hand [spot] transactions." [Bukhari, Muslim]

Charity

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Allah loves more an ignorant man who is generous than a worshiper who is miserly." [Tirmidhi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Safeguard yourself against miserliness, for it ruined those who were before you. It incited them to murder and treating the unlawful as lawful." [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "A man giving a *dirham* (name of a currency) as *sadaqah* (charity) during his life is better than giving one hundred dirhams as *sadaqah* (charity) at the moment of his death." [Abu Dawud]



The Prophet (PBUH) said, "I would not like to have gold equal to this mountain of Uhud (a mountain in Medina), unless nothing of it, not even a single Dinar of it remains with me for more than three days, except something which I will keep for repaying debts." [Bukhari]



The Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings be upon him, said, "Charity does not decrease wealth, no one forgives except that Allah increases his honor, and no one humbles himself for the sake of Allah except that Allah raises his status." [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "The upper hand (meaning charity giver's hand) is better than the lower hand (receiver's hand)." [Bukhari]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Feed the hungry, visit the sick, and set the captives free." [Bukhari]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "The one who strives to sponsor a widow or a poor person (who hides his poverty out of self-respect) is like the one who strives in *Jihad* (holy war) in the cause of Allah." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Abu Huraira (RA) asked the Prophet (PBUH), "O Prophet Muhammad which charity is the best?" He replied: "The one with less money striving to give more. Give charity first to those who are dependent on you." [Abu Dawud]



Aisha (RA) narrated that they slaughtered a goat and the Prophet (PBUH) asked, "How much of its meat remains?" They replied, "Nothing remains except the shoulder piece." The Prophet (PBUH) said, "Everything remains except the shoulder piece." (Meaning that everything other than the shoulder piece has been given in charity and therefore will be rewarded by Allah) [Tirmidhi]



Abu Musa narrated that the Prophet (PBUH) said, "Every Muslim has to give in *sadaqa* (charity)." The people asked, "O Prophet Muhammad (PBUH)! If someone has nothing to give, what will he do?" He said, "He should work with his hands and benefit himself and also give in charity (from what he earns)." The people further asked, "If he cannot do even that?" He replied, "Then he should help the needy who appeal for help." Then the people asked, "If he cannot do that?" He replied, "Then he should perform all that is good and keep away from all that is evil and this will be regarded as charitable deeds." [Bukhari]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Do not buy it and do not get back your charity." [Tirmidhi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "It is not permissible to give charity to a rich man (or the one who is independent of means) or to the one who is strong and healthy (or can earn by himself)." [Tirmidhi, Abu Dawud, Darmi, Ahmad, Nasai, Ibn-e-Majha]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Accepting charity is legal neither for Muhammad nor for the family of Muhammad." [Abu Dawud]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Every good deed is charity". [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Feeding an animal which is hungry is an excellent charity." [Baihaqi]



Abu Dharr reported that the Prophet (PBUH) said, "Smiling at your brother is a *Sadaqah* (charity), enjoining the good is a *Sadaqah*, forbidding the wrong is a *Sadaqah*, guiding someone to the right path is a *Sadaqah*, leading the blind is a *Sadaqah* and removing harmful things, thorns, bones from road is regarded as a *Sadaqah*, and pouring out from your bucket into your brother's bucket is *Sadaqah*." [Tirmidhi]



Anas (RA) reported that the Prophet (PBUH) said, "If a Muslim plants a tree or sows seeds, and then a bird, or a person or an animal eats from it, it is regarded as a charitable gift (sadaqah) for him." [Bukhari, Muslim]

<u>Objects Lying on the</u> <u>Way</u>

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Whoever finds any lost item, should have one or two trustworthy people witness it, and he should not conceal and hide it. So if its owner comes, let him return it to him, otherwise it is the wealth of Allah which He brings to whomever He pleases." [Ahmad, Abu Dawud, Darmi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) was asked about the lost item that is found. He said: "Announce it for a year, and if the one who wants it comes for it, give it to him. Otherwise, be familiar with its pouch & drawstring, then consume it. And if the one seeking it comes, then give it to him." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Rafi' bin 'Amr al Ghaffari (RA) said, "When I was a boy I threw stones at the Ansars' date-palms, and so they brought me before the prophet of God. 'Boy,' said he,

'why did you throw stones at the date-palms?' 'So that I might eat dates,' I said. 'Don't throw stones,' said he, 'but eat the ones lying on the ground.' Then he touched my head and prayed, 'O God, satisfy him with food.'" [Tirmidhi, Abu Dawud, Ibn-e-Majha]

Will

The Prophet (PBUH) said, "It is the duty of a Muslim man who has something which is to be given as a bequest, not to have it for two nights without having his will written regarding it." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Allah has Himself given everyone, who has a right, his right. So, there is no will for any inheritor." [Abu Dawud, Ibn-e-Majha, Tirmidhi]



Amir bin Sa'd reported on the authority of his father (Sa'd bin Abi Waqqas): Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) visited me in my illness which brought me near death in the year of Hajjat-ul-Wada' (Farewell Pilgrimage). I said: Prophet Muhammad, you can well see the pain with which I am afflicted and I am a man possessing wealth, and there is none to inherit me except only one daughter. Should I give two-thirds of my property as *Sadaqa* (charity)? He said: No. I said: Should I give half (of my property) as *Sadaqa*? He said: No. He (further)

said: Give one-third (in charity) and that is quite enough. To leave your heirs rich is better than to leave them poor, begging from people; that you would never incur an expense seeking therewith the pleasure of Allah, but you would be rewarded therefor, even for a morsel of food that you put in the mouth of your wife. [Bukhari, Muslim]

<u>Alcohol</u>

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Anything which intoxicates is prohibited." [Muslim]



The Prophet (PBUH) cursed 10 kinds of people associated with alcoholic beverages:

- Those who make it themselves
- 2. Those who help to make it
- 3. Those who use it
- 4. Those who carry it
- 5. Those to whom it is carried
- 6. Those who give it to others
- 7. Those who sell it
- 8. Those who use the money made from it
- 9. Those who purchase it
- 10. Those from whom it is purchased

[Tirmidhi, Ibn-e-Majha]

<u>Legal and Illegal</u> <u>Male-Female</u> <u>Relationship</u>

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Do not cast a second look (at a woman), for the first look (which happens by chance) is pardonable but the second is prohibited." [Ahmad, Tirmidhi, Abu Dawud, Darmi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Whenever a man is alone with a woman, the Devil makes a third." [Tirmidhi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Allah curses men who imitate women and women who imitate men." [Bukhari]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "The perfume for men is that whose odour is apparent but whose colour is hidden, and the perfume for women is that whose colour is apparent but whose odour is hidden." [Abu Dawud]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Wearing silk and gold has been made unlawful for the men of my people and lawful for the women." [Tirmidhi, Nasai]

Ambassador

Abu Rafe (RA) reported, "The Quraysh (who were the hardcore enemies of Islam) sent me [as a Meccan emissary] to Prophet Muhammad (in Medina). As soon as I saw the Prophet, Islam was cast in my heart. Then I said, "O Messenger of Allah, I shall never return to them." The Prophet said, "I do neither break a treaty, nor do I make messengers prisoners. Therefore return, and if there remains in you what is now in you, come back." Then I returned [to Mecca]. Afterwards I came to the Prophet and accepted Islam." [Abu Dawud]

Superstitions

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Bad omens have no basis." [Bukhari]



Mu'aawiyah ibn al-Hakam al-Salami (RA) reported that he said to the Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), "O Messenger of Allah, we used to do some things in the age of Ignorance. One of them is that we used to go to soothsayers. The Noble Prophet stated, 'Do not go to soothsayers anymore.' I said, 'Some of us believe in *tiyarah* (bad omen).' He said, 'That is something that any of you may feel in himself,

but it should not stop you from doing anything." [Muslim]



Zaid Khalid Al-Juhani (RA) said, Ibn "Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) prayed the morning prayer with us in Al-Hudaibiyyah after it had rained during the night, and when he had finished, he addressed the people, saving, 'Do you know what your Rabb (God) said?' They said, 'Allah and His Messenger (PBUH) know best!' He (PBUH) said, (Allah the Exalted said) 'Some of My slaves this morning are true Believers in Me and others are disbelievers: As for those who say: "We have received rain from the Bounty of Allah and His Mercy," they are Believers in Me and disbelievers in the stars, while those who say: "We have received rain from the movements of such-and-such a star," are disbelievers in Me and believers in the stars." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "The sun and the moon are two signs amongst the signs of Allah. They do not eclipse because of someone's death or birth." [Bukhari, Muslim]

Invaluable Instructions

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "When Allah provides for you a means for earning your livelihood, then do not retract from it until circumstances change or losses start incurring." [Ahmad, Ibn-e-Majha]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "A slave becomes nearest to his *Rabb* (Sustainer) when he is in prostration. So invoke (supplicate) Allah much while prostrating." [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Moderateness in spending (money) is half the sustenance, friendship with people is half the wisdom and asking questions properly is half the knowledge." [Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "There are two blessings which many people lose: (They are) Health and free time." [Bukhari]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "A believer is not bitten from the same hole twice." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Allah has not made a disease without appointing a remedy for it, with the exception of one disease, namely old age." [Ahmad, Tirmidhi, Abu Dawud]



Narrated 'Aisha (RA), "The Prophet (PBUH) used to change a bad name (with the one having a good meaning)." [Tirmidhi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "When the darkness of the night envelops-or it becomes nightfall - withhold your children (from going outside). And lock the doors whilst mentioning Allah's name, cover your utensils and mention the name of Allah and extinguish your lamps." [Muslim]

Islamic Manners

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "When one of you seeks permission to enter someone else's home three times (for example, by knocking the door thrice) and if he does not gain such permission, he should not try a fourth time and he should return." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "If anybody amongst you yawns, he should put his hand on his mouth." [Muslim]



Whenever the Messenger of Allah (PBUH) sneezed, he would cover his mouth with his hand or a piece of cloth, suppressing the sound this way. [Abu Dawud and At-Tirmidhi]



The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said, "He who is favoured by another and says to his benefactor, 'Jazak-Allah khairan (may Allah reward you well)' indeed praised (the benefactor) satisfactorily." [At-Tirmidhi]



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "When someone among you sneezes and says, 'Alhamdulillah' (All praise to Allah [for relieving me]), it is essential for all those who hear him to say, 'yarhamukallah' (may Allah have mercy on you)." [Bukhari]



The prophet's (PBUH) beloved wife Ayesha (RA) reported, "I have never seen Messenger of Allah (PBUH)

laughing so heartily that his uvula could be seen. He used to smile only." [Al-Bukhari and Muslim]



"When the Prophet (PBUH) would shake someone's hand, he wouldn't withdraw his hand until the other person withdrew his hand first." [Tirmidhi]



The prophet Muhammad (PBUH) used to speak slowly; it was so slow that if someone were to count the words, he could do so. [Bukhari]



The Messenger of Allah (may Allah bless him and grant him peace) saw a man lying on his stomach. He nudged him with his feet and said, "To lie down like this is disliked by Allah (The Exalted)." [Tirmidhi]

Way of Life of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH)

Anas ibn Malik (RA) said, "No person was dearer to the companions than the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), but when they saw him they did not

stand up for him because they knew that he disliked that." [Tirmidhi]



Narrated his wife Ayesha (RA) that the Prophet (PBUH) used to accept gifts and used to give (whenever he could get a chance) something in return. [Bukhari]



Narrated Abu Huraira (RA), "Whenever a meal was brought to Prophet Muhammad [PBUH], he would ask whether it was a gift or *sadaqa* (something given in charity). If he was told that it was *sadaqa*, he would tell his companions to eat it, but if it was a gift, he would extend his hand and eat with them." (Bukhari, Muslim)



Whenever the Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him and his house) was given the first of the harvest of fruits, he used to put it on his eyes, then on his lips and say "Oh Allah! Like you have made us see its beginning (of the season), allow us to see its end." Then he would give it to any child sitting around him. [Baihaqi]



His wife Aisha (RA) narrates, "Allah's Prophetic Messenger (may Allah's blessings and PBUH) would mend his shoes, darn his clothes and do household work like any ordinary person. He was a man among men and he would milk his goat and do all his personal work himself." [Tirmidhi]



Narrated Aisha (RA) that the bed mattress of the Prophet (PBUH) was made of a leather case stuffed with palm fibers. [Bukhari, Muslim]



Narrated Abu Burda (RA), "Aisha (may Allahbe pleased with her) brought out to us a *Kisa* and an *Izar* and said, 'The Prophet died while wearing these two.'" (Kisa, a square black piece of woolen cloth. Izar, a sheet cloth garment covering the lower half of the body). [Bukhari]



Ayesha (RA) says, "Till the demise of Apostle of Allah (PBUH), his family never ate a full stomach of bread made of barley for two consecutive days". [Al-Bukhari, Muslim]



Ayesha (RA) reported that never could the family of Muhammad (PBUH) (afford to eat) the bread of wheat for two days successively. [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet's wife, Ayesha (RA) said, "Sometimes the stove in our house didn't smoke for a month (they did not cook anything). All we had were dates and water. Yes, sometimes people gave us meat (as a gift)." [Bukhari, Muslim]



Prophet's wife, Ayesha (RA) reported that the apostle of Allah never took revenge upon anyone for the wrong done to him, but of course, he exacted retribution for the sake of Allah in case the injunctions of Allah about unlawful acts were violated. [Muslim]



When the Prophet's (PBUH) opponents greatly increased their persecution, his Companions asked him to curse them. At this the Prophet replied, "I have not been sent to lay a curse upon men but to be a blessing to them." [Muslim]



The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said, "My Lord has commanded me nine qualities:

- 1. Fearing Allah both secretly and openly
- 2. Saying only the words of justice both when angry and when happy
- 3. Maintaining moderation both during poverty and affluence

- 4. Making up (social obligations and relationships) with a relative who shirks his obligation to me or breaks away from me
- 5. Giving even to the person who deprives me
- 6. Forgiving him who is unjust to me
- 7. Reflecting when I am quiet; remembering Allah when I speak; and, learning lessons from what I see
- 8. Enjoining good
- 9. Forbidding evil."

[Mishkatul Masabeeh]

