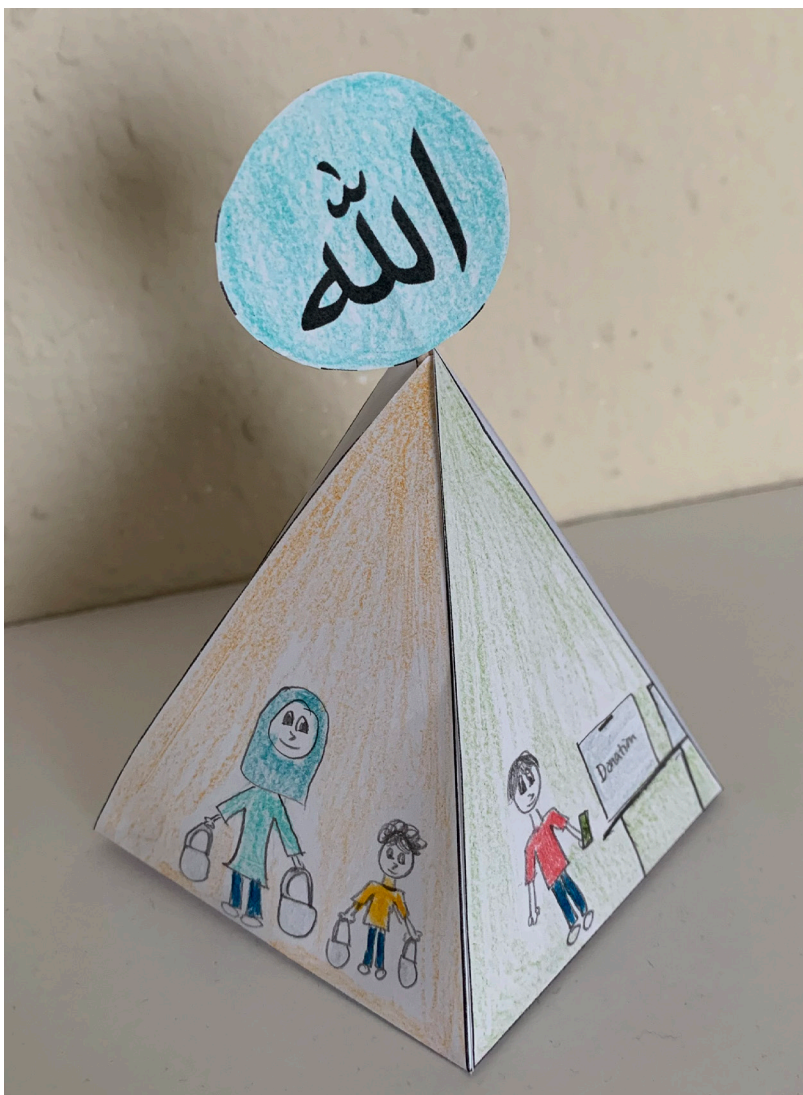


# For the Sake of Allah

*"Surely my prayer, my sacrifice, my life, and my death are all for Allah, the Lord of the worlds."*

*Noble Qur'ān, 6:162*



# Lesson 8: For the Sake of Allah

**Objective:** Children will learn about sacrifice and the sacrifices in Karbala.

When we talk about the tragedy of Karbala, we often hear about the sacrifice of Imām Ḥusayn (‘a), and the sacrifices of those who were with him. So what does it mean to sacrifice something? To sacrifice something means to give something away freely, willingly, and without the expectation of getting anything in return. When we give generously, and we do it purely to make Allah happy, this can be a type of sacrifice.

There are two different types of sacrifice: giving your life and giving from what you have. The first type is what the martyrs of Karbala gave. Imām Ḥusayn (‘a) and his companions gave their lives to protect Islam. It is because of his sacrifice that we are sitting here today, remembering him and practicing true Islam.

The second type is something that belongs to us, such as money, a position, or food. We should follow what it says in the Qur’ān, which says, *“Surely my prayer, my sacrifice, my life, and my death are all for Allah, the Lord of the worlds.”*<sup>1</sup> This means that everything we do should be for the sake of Allah. We sacrifice those things, not to make ourselves look good or for other people to think we’re great people, but to please Allah. The reward for sacrifice is better than what you have given up. Let’s do an activity that will help us think of ways we can give to others for the sake of Allah.

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<sup>1</sup>Noble Qur’ān, 6:162

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## Sacrifice Pyramid

**Suggested Ages:** 5+

**Time:** 40 minutes

**Materials:**

- Pyramid template
- Crayons/colored pencils
- Scissors
- Glue/tape
- Toothpick

**Procedure:**

1. On each side of the pyramid, draw different ways we can make sacrifices in our lives. Color and decorate however you like.
2. Cut out the pyramid template by cutting along the outer edges. Be sure to include the tabs on each triangle shape; these will be used later.
3. Fold along the lines of the square so that the triangle sides are forming a pyramid.
4. Now, fold along the lines with the tabs on the triangle sides.
5. Glue or tape the tabs on the inside of the pyramid to attach the triangle sides to each other. Be sure the drawings are showing on the outside.
6. Cut out the Allah in the circle and attach it to the toothpick.
7. Glue or tape it to the top of the pyramid like a flag.

