

HSC 9488 Paper 1

1.3 A study of set Hadith texts

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Candidates should be able to:

- explain the themes in these Hadith in relation to the Sunnah of Prophet Muhammad (pbuh)
- show how these Hadith might be applied in the lives of Muslims today
- discuss how the Prophet (pbuh) is a perfect example for Muslims to follow with reference to the set Hadith texts.

Specified text for study:

Riyad as-Salihin, *Book 1, The Book of Miscellany*: <https://sunnah.com/riyadussaliheen>

The Hadith passages printed on the question paper will be taken from the version of the specified texts prescribed in the syllabus. If schools wish to use other versions of the translated texts, they are welcome to do so, but teachers should make candidates aware that there may be differences with the translations that appear on the question papers.

Cambridge Resources:

<https://sunnah.com/riyadussaliheen>

www.quranreading.com/blog/things-about-the-character-of-prophet-muhammad-pbuh-every-muslim-must-spread/

www.al-islam.org/glance-life-holy-prophet-islam-dar-rah-haqq/chapter-18-morals-and-behaviour-holy-prophet

www.newmuslims.com/lessons/330

www.newmuslims.com/lessons/329/morals-of-prophet-muhammad-part-2/

1 Sincerity

Narrated Umar bin Al-Khattab (May Allah be pleased with him), reported: Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, "The deeds are considered by the intentions, and a person will get the reward according to his intention. So whoever emigrated for Allah and His Messenger, his emigration will be for Allah and His Messenger; and whoever emigrated for worldly benefits or for a woman to marry, his emigration would be for what he emigrated for" [**Al-Bukhari and Muslim**].

Allah Almighty says, "They were only ordered to worship Allah, making their deen sincerely His as people of pure natural belief, and to establish the prayer and pay zakat that is the correct deen," (98:5) and the Almighty says, "Their flesh and blood does not reach Allah but your fear of Him does reach Him." (W22:35; H322:37) and the Almighty says, "Say, 'Whether you conceal what is in your breasts or make it known, Allah knows it.'" (3:29)

18 Repentance

'Abdullah bin 'Umar bin Al-Khattab (May Allah be pleased with them) reported that:

The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "Allah accepts a slave's repentance as long as the latter is not on his death bed (that is, before the soul of the dying person reaches the throat)".

[At-Tirmidhi, who categorised it as Hadith Hasan].

Scholars say that it is a duty to repent of every wrong action. If it is disobedience which occurs between a person and Allah and does not involve the right of another human being, repentance has three preconditions. The first is that one divests himself of disobedience. The second is that he regrets doing it. The third is that he resolves not to ever return to it. If one of the three is lacking, then his repentance is not sound. If it involves to another human being, repentance has four preconditions: these three and that he discharges his duty to the other person. If it is money or the like, he pays it to him. If it is a hadd-punishment because of slander and the like it, he gives him power over him or seeks his pardon. If it is slander, he undoes it, He must repent of all wrong actions. If he repents of some of them, the people of truth say that his repentance of them is sound, but he still has the rest. There is much evidence in the Book, the Sunna and the consensus of the Community about the obligation to repent.

27 Perseverance

Abu Yahya Suhaib bin Sinan (May Allah be pleased with him) reported that: The Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, "How wonderful is the case of a believer; there is good for him in everything and this applies only to a believer. If prosperity attends him, he expresses gratitude to Allah and that is good for him; and if adversity befalls him, he endures it patiently and that is better for him".

[Muslim].

Allah Almighty says, "O you who believe! Be steadfast; be supreme in steadfastness" (3:200), and the Almighty says, "We will test you with a certain amount of fear and hunger and loss of wealth and life and fruits. But give good news to the steadfast," (2:154; 2:155) and the Almighty says, "The steadfast will be paid their wages in full without any reckoning." (39:11; 39:10) The Almighty said, "But if someone is steadfast and forgives, that is the most resolute course to follow." (42:40; 42:43)

The Almighty says, "Seek help in steadfastness and the prayer. Allah is with the steadfast" (2:152; 2:153) and the Almighty says, "We will test you until We know the true fighters among you and those who are steadfast" (47:30; 47:31)

54 Truthfulness

Abdullah Ibn Mas'ud reported that the Prophet, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said, "Truthfulness leads to piety and piety leads to the Garden. A man should be truthful until he is written down as truthful in the sight of Allah. Falsehood leads to vices and vices leads to the Fire. A person lies to the point that he is written down as a liar in the sight of Allah." [Agreed upon]

Allah Almighty says, "O who you believe! Fear Allah and be with the truthful" (9:129; 9:119) and the Almighty says, "Truthful men and truthful women," (33:35) and the Almighty says, "Being true to Allah would be better for them." (47:20; 47:21)

Ibn 'Umar reported said that the Prophet, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said, "The worst of lies is when a man says his eyes have seen something which they have not seen." [al-Bukhari] It means that he says he has dreamt what he did not dream.

73 Piety

Abu Umamah (May Allah be pleased with him) said:

I heard Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) during the sermon of the Farewell Pilgrimage saying, "Be mindful of your duty to Allah; perform your five daily Salat, observe Saum during the month (of Ramadan) , pay the Zakat on your properties and obey your leaders; (if you do so) you will enter the Jannah of your Rubb".

[At-Tirmidhi].

Allah Almighty says, "O you who believe, have taqwa of Allah with the taqwa due to Him," (3:102) and the Almighty says, "Have taqwa of Allah as much as you are able to." (64:16) This verse clarifies what is meant by the first verse. Allah Almighty says, "O you who believe! Have taqwa of Allah, and speak words which hit the mark." (33:70) The verses which command taqwa of Allah are many and well-known. Allah Almighty says, "Whoever has taqwa of Allah, He will give him a way out and provide for him from where he does not expect." (65:2-3) The Almighty says, "If you have taqwa of Allah, He will you discrimination and erase your bad actions from you and forgive you. Allah's favour is indeed immense." (8:29)

75 Firm belief

Ibn 'Abbas (May Allah be pleased with them) reported that the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) used to supplicate: "O Allah! To You I have submitted, and in You do I believe, and in You I put my trust, to You do I turn, and for You I argued. O Allah, I seek refuge with You through Your Power; there is none worthy of worship except You Alone; that You safeguard me against going astray. You are the Ever Living, the One Who sustains and protects all that exists; the One Who never dies, whereas human beings and jinn will all die".

[Al- Bukhari and Muslim].

Allah Almighty says, "When the Believers saw the Confederates, they said, 'This is what Allah and His Messenger promised us. Allah and His Messenger told us the truth.' It only increased them in faith and in submission." (33:22) The Almighty says, "Those to whom people said: 'The people great army have gathered against you, so fear them.' But that merely increased their faith and they said: 'Allah is enough for us and the best of Guardians.' So they returned with blessings and bounty from Allah and no evil touched them. They pursued the pleasure of Allah. Allah's favour is indeed immense." (3:173-174) The Almighty says, "Put your trust in the Living who does not, die" (25:58) and the Almighty says, "So let the believers put their trust in Allah," (14:14; 14:11) and the Almighty says, "Then when you have reached a firm decision, put your trust in Allah." (3:159) The verses commanding trust are numerous and well-known. The Almighty says, "Whoever puts his trust in Prophet He will be enough for him." (65:3) The Almighty says, "The believers are those whose hearts tremble when Allah is mentioned, whose faith is increased when His Signs are mentioned to them, and who put their trust in their Lord." (8:2)

85 Steadfastness

Sufyan bin 'Abdullah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported:

I said, "O Messenger of Allah, tell me something of Islam which I will not ask anyone else about it." He (ﷺ) said, "Say, 'I believe in Allah' and then be steadfast".

[Muslim].

Allah Almighty says, "Go straight as you have been commanded," (11:112) and the Almighty says, "The angels descend on those who say, 'Our Lord is Allah,' and then go straight: 'Do not fear and do not grieve, but rejoice in the Garden you have been promised! We are your protectors in the life of this world and in the Hereafter. You will have there all that your selves could wish for. You will have there everything you demand. Hospitality from One who is Ever-Forgiving, Most Merciful." (41:29-31; 41:30-32) The Almighty says, "Those who say, 'Our Lord is Allah, and then go straight will feel no fear and will know no sorrow. Such people are the Companions of the Garden, remaining in it timelessly, forever, as repayment for what they did." (46: 12-13; 46:13-14)

199 Hypocrites

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported:

Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, "There are three signs of a hypocrite: When he speaks, he lies; when he makes a promise, he breaks it; and when he is trusted, he betrays his trust."

[Al-Bukhari and Muslim].

Another narration adds the words: 'Even if he observes fasts, performs Salat and asserts that he is a Muslim'.

Allah Almighty says, "Allah commands you to return to their owners the things you hold on trust," (4:57; 4:58) and the Almighty says, "We offered the Trust to the heavens, the earth and the mountains, but they refused to take it on and shrank from it. But man took it on. He is indeed wrongdoing and ignorant." (33:72)

Hudhayfa ibn al-Yaman said, "The Messenger of Allah, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, related two hadiths to us. I have seen one of them come about and am still waiting for the other. He related to us that trustworthiness had descended into the hearts of men. Then the Qur'an descended and they knew it from the Qur'an and they knew it from the Sunna. Then he related that trustworthiness would be removed, and he said, 'A man will go to sleep and trustworthiness will be taken from his heart and its trace will remain like a small mark. Then he will go to sleep and trustworthiness will be taken from his heart and its trace will remain like a weal, as when an ember rolls onto his foot and it blisters up and you see it raised up with nothing in it.' Then he took some pebbles and rolled them onto his foot. 'And people will continue to trade but practically no one will fulfill his trust, to such a point that it will be said, "There is a trustworthy man among the Banu so-and-so!" and until it will be said of a man, "How tough he is! How elegant! How intelligent!" when he does not have a mustard-grain of belief in his heart.' There was a time when I did not care who I did business with. If he was a Muslim, his deen was sufficient assurance for me, and if he was a Christian or a Jew, his guardian was sufficient assurance for me. Today I only do business with so-and-so and so-and-so among you." [Agreed upon]

309 Neighbours

Abu Shuraih Al-Khuza'i (May Allah be pleased with him) reported:

The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "He who believes in Allah and the Last Day, let him be kind to his neighbour; and he who believes in Allah and the Last Day, let him show hospitality to his guest; and he who believes in Allah and the Last Day, let him either speak good or remain silent".

[Muslim].

Allah Almighty says, "Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him. Be good to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to neighbours who are related to you and neighbours who are not related to you, and to companions and travellers and your slaves." (4:36)

Abu Dharr reported that the Messenger of Allah, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said, "O Abu Dharr, if you cook a stew put a lot of water in it, keeping your neighbours in mind." [Muslim]

In one variant, Abu Dharr said, "My friend, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, advised me, 'When you cook a stew, put a lot of water in it and then go and see the people of a neighbouring house and give them a reasonable amount of it.'"

316 Parents

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: A person came to Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) and asked, "Who among people is most deserving of my fine treatment?" He (ﷺ) said, "Your mother". He again asked, "Who next?" "Your mother", the Prophet (ﷺ) replied again. He asked, "Who next?" He (the Prophet (ﷺ)) said again, "Your mother." He again asked, "Then who?" Thereupon he (ﷺ) said, "Then your father."

In another narration: "O Messenger of Allah! Who is most deserving of my fine treatment?" He (ﷺ) said, "Your mother, then your mother, then your mother, then your father, then your nearest, then nearest".

[Al-Bukhari and Muslim].

Allah Almighty says, "Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him. Be good to your parents and relatives and to orphans and the very poor, and to neighbours who are related to you and neighbours who are not related to you, and to companions and travellers and your slaves." (4:36) The Almighty says, "Have taqwa of Allah in whose name you make demands on one another and also in respect of your families," (4:1) and the Almighty says, "Those who join what Allah has commanded to be joined." (W13:23; H13:21) The Almighty says, "We have instructed man to honour his parents," (W29:7; H29:8) and the Almighty says, "Your Lord has decreed: that you should worship none but Him, and that you should show kindness to your parents, whether one or both of them reach old age with you. So do not say 'Ugh!' to them out of irritation and do not be harsh with them but speak to them with gentleness and generosity. Lower to them, out of mercy, the wing of humility and say: 'Lord, show mercy to them as they did in looking after me when I was small.'" (17:23-24) The Almighty says, "We have instructed man concerning his parents. Bearing him caused his mother great debility and the period of his weaning was two years: 'Give thanks to Me and to your parents.'" (W31:13; H31:14)