

# Acts of devotion and commitment

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1. Daily And Occasional Prayer Rituals, Including The Five Daily Prayers, Eid Prayers And Prayers On Special Occasions
2. The Importance Of Acts Of Worship (*Ibadah*) And Developing God consciousness (*Taqwa*)
3. The Role Of The Family In Developing Faith; Marriage (*Nikah*) As An Act Of Commitment
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### Daily And Occasional Prayer Rituals

- (Muslim 233) Huraira Reported: Verily The Messenger Of Allah (S) Said: The Five (Daily) Prayers And From One Friday Prayer To The (Next) Friday Prayer, And From Ramadhan To Ramadhan Are Expiations For The (Sins) Committed In Between (Their Intervals) Provided One Shuns The Major Sins.
- (Abi Dawud 1313) 'Umar Bin Al-khattab: The Messenger Of Allah (S) As Saying: He Who Misses His Daily Round Of Recital Or Part Of It Due To Sleep And He Recites It Between The Dawn And The Noon Prayers, Will Be Reckoned As If He Recited It At Night.
- (Muslim 668) Jabir B. 'Abdullah Reported That The Messenger Of Allah (S) Said: The Similitude Of Five Prayers Is Like An Overflowing River Passing By The Gate Of One Of You In Which He Washes Five Times Daily. Hasan Said: No Filthiness Can Remain On Him.
- (Ibn Majah 777) 'Abdullah Said: "Whoever Would Like To Meet Allah Tomorrow (I.E. On The Day Of Judgment) As A Muslim, Let Him Preserve These Five (Daily) Prayer ...'
- (Bukhari 6462) `Aisha: The Most Beloved Action To Allah's Messenger (S) Was That Whose Doer Did It Continuously And Regularly.



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### The Five Daily Prayers

- (Bukhari 527) Narrated `Abdullah: I Asked The Prophet (S) Which Deed Is The Dearest To Allah?" He Replied, "To Offer The Prayers At Their Early Stated Fixed Times."
- (Nasa'i Vol 1 Book 6 Hadith 503) It Was Narrated That Abu Hurairah Said: "The Messenger Of Allah (S) : This Is 'Jibril (As), He Came To Teach You Your Religion. He Prayed Subh When The Dawn Appeared (The "First Dawn" Is Followed By Darkness And The "Second Dawn" Is Not Followed By Darkness, Rather The Light Increases), And He Prayed Zuhr When The Sun Had Passed Its Zenith, And He Prayed 'Asr When He Saw That The Shadow Of A Thing Was Equal To Its Height, Then He Prayed Maghrib When The Sun Had Set (Until The Twilight Or Red Afterglow Has Faded) And It Is Permissible For The Fasting Person To Eat. Then He Prayed 'Isha' When The Twilight Had Disappeared. Then He Came To Him The Following Day And Prayed Subh When It Had Got A Little Lighter, Then He Prayed Zuhr When The Shadow Of A Thing Was Equal To Its Height, Then He Prayed 'Asr When The Shadow Of A Thing Was Equal To Twice Its Height, Then He Prayed Maghrib At The Same Time As Before, Then He Prayed 'Isha' When A Short Period Of The Night Had Passed. Then He Said: 'The Prayer Is Between The Times When You Prayed Yesterday And The Times When You Prayed Today."



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#### 1. Night Of 'Id In Ibaadah

- (Ibn Majah Book 7, Hadith 1854): It Was Narrated From Abu Umamah That The Prophet (S) Said: “Whoever Spends The Nights Of The Two ‘Eid In Praying Voluntary Prayers, Seeking Reward From Allah, His Heart Will Not Die On The Day When Hearts Will Die.”



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## 2. Ghusl / 'Itr / Miswaak / Cloth

- ( Al Muwatta Book 2 Hadith 115): Ibn As-sabbaq Said That The Messenger Of Allah (S) Said In A Jumu'ah, "Muslims! Allah Has Made This Day A Festival Day (Id) So Do **Ghusl**, And It Will Not Harm Whoever Has **Perfume** To Apply Some Of It, And Use A **Tooth-stick** . "



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### 3. Zakaat Ul Fitr

- (Bukhariy 1509): Narrated Ibn `Umar: The Prophet (S) Ordered The People To Pay Zakat-ul-fitr Before Going To The `Id Prayer.
- (Bukhariy 1512): Narrated Ibn `Umar: Allah's Messenger (S) Has Made Swadaqat-ul-fitr Obligatory, (And It Was), Either One Sa' Of Barley Or One Sa' Of Dates (And Its Payment Was Obligatory) On Young And Old People, And On Free Men As Well As On Slaves.
- (Abu Dawood 1156) )Narrated Abdullah Ibn Umar: The Messenger Of Allah (S) Went Out By One Road On The Day Of The 'Id (Festival) And Returned By Another.



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#### 4. Sweet / Dates

- (Bukhariy 953): Narrated Anas Bin Malik: Allah's Messenger (s) Never Proceeded (For The Prayer) On The Day Of 'Id-ul-fitr Unless He Had Eaten Some Dates. Anas Also Narrated: The Prophet (S) Used To Eat Odd Number Of Dates.
- (Tirmidhi 542) Abdullah Bin Buraidah Narrated From His Father: "The Prophet Would Not Leave On The Day Of Fitr Until He Ate, And He Would Not Eat On The Day Of Adha Until He Prayed."
- (Imam Bayhaqi: Sunan ul Kubra, Vol.3 Pg.283) Nabi (S) Would Not Go For The 'Eid Ul Fitr Salah Without Eating Something. On The Day Of 'id ul Adha, He Would Not Eat Anything Until He Returned [From The 'Eid Salah], Then He Would Eat The Liver Of His Animal Of Slaughter.



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#### 5. Swalaat Ul 'Id In An Open Field Or In A Mosque

- (Bukhariy 973): Narrated Ibn `Umar: The Prophet (s) Used To Proceed To The Muswalla And An 'Anaza (Spear) Used To Be Carried Before Him And Planted In The Muswalla In Front Of Him And He Would Pray Facing It (As A Sutra).
- (Ibn Majah Vol 1 Book 5 Hadith 1308): It Was Narrated That Umm 'Atiyyah Said: "The Messenger Of Allah (s) Said: 'Bring Out The Women Who Have Attained Puberty And Those Who Are In Seclusion So That They May Attend The 'Eid Prayer And (Join In) The Supplication Of The Muslims. But Let The Women Who Are Menstruating Avoid The Prayer Place."
- (Abu Dawood 1160): Narrated Abu Hurayrah: The Rain Fell On The Day Of 'Id (Festival) , So The Prophet (s) Led Them (The People) In The 'Id Prayer In The Mosque.



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#### 6. No Adhaan No Iqaamah

- (Abu Dawood 1147): Narrated Abdullah Ibn Abbas: The Messenger Of Allah (s) Offered The 'Id Prayer Without The Adhan And The Iqamah. Abu Bakr And Umar Or Uthman Also Did So. The Narrator Yahya Is Doubtful About Uthman.
- (Al Muwatta Book 10 Hadith 438): Yahya Related To Me From Malik From Damra Ibn Said Al-mazini From Ubaydullah Ibn Abdullah Ibn Utba Ibn Masud That Umar Ibn Al-khattab Asked Abu Waqid Al-laythi What The Messenger Of Allah, May Allah Bless Him And Grant Him Peace, Used To Recite In The Prayers Of Adha And Fitr. He Said, "He Used To Recite Qaf (Sura 50) And Al-Inshiqaq (Sura84)."
- (Ibn Majah Vol 1 Book 5 Hadith 1281) : It Was Narrated From Nu'man Bin Bashir That The Messenger Of Allah (s) Used To Recite "Glorify The Name Of Your Lord, The Most High," [Al-a'la (87)] And "Has There Come To You The Narration Of The Overwhelming?" [Al-ghashiyah (88)] In The 'Eid Prayer.



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#### 7. Additional Takbeer

- (Abu Dawood 1153): Abu 'Aishah Said: Sa'id B. Al-'as Asked Abu Musa Al-ash'ari And Hudhaifah B. Al-yaman: How Would The Messenger Of Allah (S) Utter The Takbir (Allah Is Most Great) In The Prayer Of The Day Of Sacrifice And Of The Breaking Of The Fast. Abu Musa Said: He Uttered Takbir Four Times As He Did At Funerals. Hudhaifah Said: He Is Correct. Then Abu Musa Said: I Used To Utter The Takbir In A Similar Way When I Was The Governor Of Basrah. Abu 'Aishah Said: I Was Present There When Sa'id B. Al-'as Asked.
- ( Ibn Majah 1277): 'Abdur-rahman Bin Sa'd Bin 'Ammar Bin Sa'd, The Mu'adhdhin Of The Messenger Of Allah (S) Narrated From His Father, From His Father, From His Grandfather, That The Messenger Of Allah (s) Used To Say The Takbir In The 'Eid Prayer, Seven Times In The First (Rak'ah) Before Reciting Qur'an, And Five Times In The Second Before Reciting Qur'an.
- Imâm Shâfi'i Holds That There Are 12 Extra Takbeeraat – 7 In The First Ra'kah, And 5 In The Second.
- Imâm Mâlik And Imâm Hanbal Hold That There Are 11 Extra Takbeeraat – 6 Only In The First Rak'ah And 5 In The Second.
- Imam Abu Hanifa Said That There Are 6 Extra Takbeeraat – 3 In Both Rak'ah



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#### 8. Khutbah

- (Bukhariy 975) Narrated Ibn `Abbas: I (In My Boyhood) Went Out With The Prophet (S) On The Day Of `Id Ul Fitr Or Id-ul-adha. The Prophet (s) Prayed And Then Delivered The Khutba And Then Went Towards The Women, Preached And Advised Them And Ordered Them To Give Alms.
- (Bukhariy 955) Narrated Al-bara' Bin `Azib: The Prophet (s) Delivered The Khutba After Offering The Prayer On The Day Of Nahr And Said, "Whoever Offers The Prayer Like Us And Slaughters Like Us Then His Nusuk (Sacrifice) Will Be Accepted By Allah. And Whoever Slaughters His Sacrifice Before The `Id Prayer Then He Has Not Done The Sacrifice."



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#### 9. Du'a For The Dead In Graveyard

- (Bukhariy 976) Narrated Al-bara': The Prophet (S) Went Towards Al-baqi (The Graveyard At Medina) On The Day Of Id-ul-adha And Offered A Two-rak`at Prayer (Of `Id-ul-adha) And Then Faced Us And Said, "On This Day Of Ours, Our First Act Of Worship Is The Offering Of Prayer And Then We Will Return And Slaughter The Sacrifice, And Whoever Does This Concords With Our Sunna; And Whoever Slaughtered His Sacrifice Before That (I.E. Before The Prayer) Then That Was A Thing Which He Prepared Earlier For His Family And It Would Not Be Considered As A Nusuk (Sacrifice.)" A Man Stood Up And Said, "O, Allah's Messenger (S)! I Slaughtered (The Animal Before The Prayer) But I Have A Young She-goat Which Is Better Than An Older Sheep." The Prophet (S) Said To Him, "Slaughter It. But A Similar Sacrifice Will Not Be Sufficient For Anybody Else After You."



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#### 10. Slaughtering Wording And Flesh

- (Bukhariy 954) Narrated Anas: The Prophet (S) Said, "Whoever Slaughtered (His Sacrifice) Before The `Id Prayer, Should Slaughter Again."
- (Tirmidhi 1521) Narrated Jabir Bin 'Abdullah: "I Attended The Eid Al-adha' With The Prophet (S) At The Musalla. When He Finished His Khutbah, He Descended From His Minbar And Was Given A Male Sheep. The Messenger Of Allah (S) Slaughtered It With His Hand And Said: 'Bismillah, Wa Allahu Akbar, This From Me And Whoever Does Not Slaughter From My Ummah.'"
- (Tirmidhi 771) Abu Ubaid, The Freed Slave Of Abdur-rahman Bin Awf Narrated: "I Witnessed Umar Bin Al-khattab On The Day Of Nahr Beginning With The Swalat Before The Khutbah. Then He Said: 'I Heard The Messenger Of Allah Prohibit Fasting On These Two Days. As For The Day Of Fitr, Then It Is For You To Take A Break From Your Fasting, And A Celebration For The Muslims. As For The Day Of Adha, Then Eat From The Flesh That You Have Sacrificed.'"



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#### 11. Du'a For Everyone

- (Bukhariy 971) Narrated Um `Atiya: We Used To Be Ordered To Come Out On The Day Of `Id And Even Bring Out The Virgin Girls From Their Houses And Menstruating Women So That They Might Stand Behind The Men And Say Takbir Along With Them And Invoke Allah Along With Them And Hope For The Blessings Of That Day And For Purification From Sins.
- (Bukhariy 1995) Narrated Abu Sa`id Al-khudri: I Heard Four Things From The Prophet (S) ... "No Fasting Is Permissible On The Two Days Of Id-ul-fitr And `Id-ul-adha, ..."



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### 12. Halal Enjoyment

- (Bukhariy 949, 950) Narrated Aisha: Allah's Messenger (S) Came To My House While Two Girls Were Singing Beside Me The Songs Of Bu'ath (A Story About The War Between The Two Tribes Of The Ansar, The Khazraj And The Aus, Before Islam). The Prophet (S) Lay Down And Turned His Face To The Other Side. Then Abu Bakr Came And Spoke To Me Harshly Saying, "Musical Instruments Of Satan Near The Prophet (S) ?" Allah's Messenger (S) Turned His Face Towards Him And Said, "Leave Them." When Abu Bakr Became Inattentive, I Signaled To Those Girls To Go Out And They Left. It Was The Day Of `Id, And The Black People Were Playing With Shields And Spears; So Either I Requested The Prophet (S) Or He Asked Me Whether I Would Like To See The Display. I Replied In The Affirmative. Then The Prophet (S) Made Me Stand Behind Him And My Cheek Was Touching His Cheek And He Was Saying, "Carry On! O Bani Arfida," Till I Got Tired. The Prophet (S) Asked Me, "Are You Satisfied (Is That Sufficient For You)?" I Replied In The Affirmative And He Told Me To Leave.



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### 13. 6 Nafil Days Of Fasting

- (Abu Dawood 2433) Narrated Abu Ayyub: The Prophet (s) As Saying: If Anyone Fasts During Ramadan, Then Follows It With Six Days In Shawwal, It Will Be Like A Perpetual Fast.
- (Bulugh Al Maram Book 5 Hadith 701) Abu Aiyub Al-ansari (ra) Narrated That The Messenger Of Allah (s) Said: "Whoever Fasts During The Month Of Ramadan And Then Follows It With Six Days Of Shawwal Will Be (Rewarded) As If He Had Fasted The Entire Year.'



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- **Rain: (Bukhariy 1025)** `Abbad Bin Tamim From His Uncle: "I Saw The Prophet (S) On The Day When He Went Out To Offer The Istisqa' Prayer. He Turned His Back Towards The People And Faced The Qibla And Asked Allah For Rain. Then He Turned His Cloak Inside Out And Led Us In A Two Rak`at Prayer And Recited The Qur'an Aloud In Them."
- **Eclipse: (Bukhariy 5785)** Abu Bakra: The Solar Eclipse Occurred While We Were Sitting With The Prophet (S) He Got Up Dragging His Garment (On The Ground) Hurriedly Till He Reached The Mosque The People Turned (To The Mosque) And He Offered A Two-rak`at Prayer Whereupon The Eclipse Was Over And He Traced Us And Said, "The Sun And The Moon Are Two Signs Among The Signs Of Allah, So If You See A Thing Like This (Eclipse) Then Offer The Prayer And Invoke Allah Till He Remove That State."
- **Fear: (Muslim 839)** Salim B. Abdullah B. 'Umar Reported: The Messenger Of Allah (May Peace Be Upon Him) Led One Of The Two Groups In One Rak'ah Of Prayer In Danger, While The Other Group Faced The -Enemy. Then They (The Members Of The First Group) Went Back And Replaced Their Companions Who Were Facing The Enemy. And Then They (The Members Of The Second Group) Came And The Messenger Of Allah (s) Led Them In One Rak'ah Of Prayer. Then The Messenger Of Allah (S) Pronounced Salutation, And Then They (The Members Of The First Group) Completed The Rak'ah And They (The Members Of The Second Group) Completed The Rak'ah.



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- Jumu'ah (Abi Dawud 1052) Al-ja'd Ad-damri: The Prophet (S) Said: He Who Leaves The Friday Prayer (Continuously) For Three Friday On Account Of Slackness, Allah Will Print A Stamp On His Heart.
- 'Id (Bukhari 957) Abdullah Bin `Umar: Allah's Messenger (S) Used To Offer The Prayer Of `Id-ul-adha And `Id-ul-fitr And Then Deliver The Khutba After The Prayer.
- Witr (Muslim 745) 'A'isha Reported: The Messenger Of Allah (S) Observed The Witr Prayer Every Night And He Completed Witr At The Time Of Dawn.



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- **Istikhara** (Bukhari 1166) Jabir Bin `Abdullah: The Prophet (P.B.U.H) Used To Teach Us The Way Of Doing Istikhara (Istikhara Means To Ask Allah To Guide One To The Right Sort Of Action Concerning Any Job Or A Deed), In All Matters As He Taught Us The Suras Of The Qur'an. He Said, "If Anyone Of You Thinks Of Doing Any Job He Should Offer A Two Rak`at Prayer Other Than The Compulsory Ones And Say (After The Prayer): -- 'Allahumma Inni Astakhiruka Bi'ilmika ....'
- **Tahajjud** (Bukhari 1136) Hudhaifa: whenever The Prophet (S) Got Up For Tahajjud Prayer He Used To Clean His Mouth (And Teeth) With Siwak.
- **Qiyam ul Lail** (Tirmidhi 3549) Al-qasim Bin Dinar Al-kufi (Who Said): "Ishaq Bin Mansur Narrated To Us, From Isra'il" With This (Another Chain) Bilal Narrated That The Messenger Of Allah (S) Said: "Hold Fast To Qiyam Al-lail, For It Is The Practice Of The Righteous Before You, And Indeed Qiyam Al-lail Is A Means Of Nearness To Allah, A Means Of Prevention From Sin, An Expiation For Bad Deeds, And A Barrier For The Body Against Disease."



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- **Ishraq (Tirmidhi 586)** Anas bin Malik narrated that : the Messenger of Allah said: "Whoever prays Fajr in congregation, then sits remembering Allah until the sun has risen, then he prays two Rak'ah, then for him is the reward like that of a Hajj and Umrah." He said: "The Messenger of Allah said: 'Complete, complete, complete.'"
- **Duha (Ibn Majah Vol 1 Book 5 Hadith 1381)** Mu'adhah Al-'Adawiyyah said: "I asked 'Aishah: 'Did the Prophet (s) pray Duha?' She said: 'Yes; four (Rak'ah) and he would add whatever Allah willed.'"
- **Awabin (Ibn Majah Vol 1 Book 5 Hadith 1167)** Abu Hurairah that the Prophet (s) said: "Whoever prays six Rak'ah after the Maghrib and does not say anything bad in between them, will have a reward equal to the worship of twelve years."



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- **Wudhu (Bukhariy 1149)** Abu Huraira: At The Time Of The Fajr Prayer The Prophet (S) Asked Bilal, "Tell Me Of The Best Deed You Did After Embracing Islam, For I Heard Your Footsteps In Front Of Me In Paradise." Bilal Replied, "I Did Not Do Anything Worth Mentioning Except That Whenever I Performed Ablution During The Day Or Night, I Prayed After That Ablution As Much As Was Written For Me."
- **Masjid (Bukhariy 1167)** Abu Qatada Bin Rabi Al-ansari: The Prophet (S) Said, "If Anyone Of You Enters A Mosque, He Should Not Sit Until He Has Offered A Two Rak`at Prayer."
- **Astaghfar (Abu Dawood 1521)** Abu Bakr Narrated To Me (Asma Bint Al Hakam) A Tradition, And Abu Bakr Narrated Truthfully. He Said: I Heard The Apostle Of Allah (S) Saying: When A Servant (Of Allah) Commits A Sin, And He Performs Ablution Well, And Then Stands And Prays Two Rak'ahs, And Asks Pardon Of Allah, Allah Pardons Him. He Then Recited This Verse: "And Those Who, When They Commit Indecency Or Wrong Their Souls, Remember Allah" (3:135).



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## 2. The Importance Of Acts Of Worship (*Ibadah*) And Developing God consciousness (*Taqwa*)

### The Importance Of Acts Of Worship (*Ibadah*)

- (Abu Dawood 864) Abu Hurayrah:the Prophet (S) Said: .... The First Thing About Which The People Will Be Called To Account Out Of Their Actions On The Day Of Judgment Is Prayer.....'
- (20: 14) Lo! I, Even I, Am Allah. There Is No God Save Me. Serve Me And Establish Worship For My Remembrance
- (Tirmidhi 4) Jabir Bin 'Abdullah (R) Narrated That : Allah's Messenger (S) Said: "The Key To Paradise Is Salat, And The Key To Salat Is Wudu'."
- (2: 152) Therefore Remember Me, I Will Remember You. Give Thanks To Me, And Reject Not Me
- (51: 56) I Created The Jinn And Humankind Only That They Might Worship Me.
- (2: 2,3) This Is The Scripture Whereof There Is No Doubt, A Guidance Unto Those Who Ward Off (Evil). 3. Who Believe In The Unseen, And Establish Worship, And Spend Of That We Have Bestowed Upon Them;
- (5: 91) Satan Sees Only To Cast Among You Enmity And Hatred By Means Of Strong Drink And Games Of Chance, And To Turn You From Remembrance Of Allah And From (His) Worship. Will Ye Then Have Done?
- (29: 45) Recite That Which Hath Been Inspired In Thee Of The Scripture, And Establish Worship. Lo! Worship Preserves From Lewdness And Iniquity, But Verily Remembrance Of Allah Is More Important. And Allah Knows What Ye Do
- (2: 153) O Ye Who Believe! Seek Help In Steadfastness, And Prayer. Lo! Allah Is With The Steadfast.



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### Developing God Consciousness (*Taqwa*)

(2: 177) It Is Not Righteousness That Ye Turn Your Faces To The East And The West; But Righteous Is

He Who Believeth In Allah

And The Last Day

And The Angels

And The Scripture

And The Prophets;

And Gives His Wealth, For Love Of Him,

To Kinsfolk

and To Orphans

And The Needy

And The Wayfarer

And To Those Who Ask,

And To Set Slaves Free;

And Observes Proper Worship

And Pays The Poor Due.

And Those Who Keep Their Treaty When They Make One,

And The Patient In Tribulation And Adversity And Time Of Stress.

Such Are They Who Are Sincere. Such Are The God Fearing.



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- (22: 32) That (Is The Command). And Whoso Increases The Offerings Consecrated To Allah, It Surely Is From Devotion Of The Hearts.
- (Tirmidhi 1987) Abu Dharr Said: "The Messenger Of Allah Said To Me: 'Have Taqwa Of Allah Wherever You Are, And Follow An Evil Deed With A Good One To Wipe It Out, And Treat The People With Good Behavior.'"
- (Tirmidhi 2395) Abu Sa'eed Narrated That The Messenger Of Allah (s) Said: "Do Not Accompany Except A Believer, And Do Not Serve Your Food Except To One With Taqwa."
- (Tirmidhi Vol. 5, Book 44, Hadith 3265) At-tufail Bin Ubayy Bin Ka'b: From His Father, From The Prophet (S) Regarding This Ayah): 'And Made Them Stick To The Word Of Taqwa (48:26).' He (S) Said (The Word Is): "La Ilaha Illallah."
- (Tirmidhi 1927) Abu Hurairah Narrated That The Messenger Of Allah Said: : "The Muslim Is The Brother To The Muslim, He Does Not Cheat Him, Lie To Him, Nor Deceive Him. All Of The Muslim Is Unlawful To Another Muslim: His Honor, His Wealth, And His Blood. At-taqwa Is Here. It Is Enough Evil For A Man That He Belittle His Brother Muslim."



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### The Role Of The Family In Developing Faith

#### Responsibility Of Parents

- (66:6) O Ye Who Believe! Ward Off From Yourselves And Your Families A Fire Whereof The Fuel Is Men And Stones, Over Which Are Set Angels Strong, Severe, Who Resist Not Allah In That Which He Commands Them, But Do That Which They Are Commanded.
- (52: 21) And They Who Believe And Whose Seed Follow Them In Faith, We Cause Their Seed To Join Them (There), And We Deprive Them Of Naught Of Their (Life's) Work. Every Man Is A Pledge For That Which He Hath Earned.



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- (Abi Dawud 2928) 'Abdullah Bin 'Umar: The Messenger Of Allah (S) As Saying: Each Of You Is A Shepherd And Each Of You Is Responsible For His Flock. The Amir (Ruler) Who Is Over The People Is A Shepherd And Is Responsible For His Flock; A Man Is A Shepherd In Charge Of The Inhabitants Of His Household And He Is Responsible For His Flock; A Woman Is A Shepherdess In Charge Of Her Husband's House And Children And She Is Responsible For Them; And A Man's Slave Is A Shepherd In Charge Of His Master's Property And He Is Responsible For It. So Each Of You Is A Shepherd And Each Of You Is Responsible For His Flock.



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- (Sunan An-nasa'i 3687) An-nu'man Bin Bashir Delivered A Khutbah And Said: "The Messenger Of Allah Said: 'Treat Your Children Fairly, Treat Your Children Fairly.'"
- (Bukhari 4006) Abu Masud Al-badri: The Prophet (S) Said, "A Man's Spending On His Family Is A Deed Of Charity."
- (Bukhari 5997) Abu Huraira: Allah's Messenger (S) Kissed Al-hasan Bin `Ali While Al-aqra' Bin H`abis At-tamim Was Sitting Beside Him. Al-aqra Said, "I Have Ten Children And I Have Never Kissed Anyone Of Them," Allah's Messenger (S) Cast A Look At Him And Said, "Whoever Is Not Merciful To Others Will Not Be Treated Mercifully."
- (Sunan An-nasa'i 3685) An-nu'man Bin Bashir Said: "My Father Took Me To The Prophet To Ask Him To Bear Witness To Something That He Had Given To Me. He Said: 'Do You Have Any Other Children?' He Said: 'Yes.' He Gestured With His Hand Held Horizontally Like This, (Saying): 'Why Don't You Treat Them All Equally?'"
- (Al-adab Al-mufrad 1044) 'Anbas Said, "I Saw Ibn 'Umar Greet Children In The Schools."



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The Role Of The Family In Developing Faith

Love For Allah, Rasouloullaah (S) And Deen

- (9: 24) Say: If Your Fathers, And Your Sons, And Your Brethren, And Your Wives, And Your Tribe, And The Wealth Ye Have Acquired, And Merchandise For Which Ye Fear That There Will Be No Sale, And Dwellings Ye Desire Are Dearer To You Than Allah And His Messenger And Striving In His Way: Then Wait Till Allah Brings His Command To Pass. Allah Guides Not Wrong Doing Folk.
- (Bukhariy 15) **Anas:** the Prophet (S) Said "None Of You Will Have Faith Till He Loves Me More Than His Father, His Children And All Mankind."



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- (Ibn Majah 3671) Anas Bin Malik Narrated That The Messenger Of Allah (s) Said: "Be Kind To Your Children, And Perfect Their Manners."
- (Tirmidhi 2631) Abu Hurairah: That The Messenger Of Allah (s) Said: "The Sign Of A Hypocrite Is That Whenever He Speaks He Lies, And Whenever He Makes A Promise He Does Not Fulfill It, And If He Is Entrusted He Betrays."
- (Tirmidhi 407) (Sabrah Bin Ma'bad Al-juhni) Narrated That: Allah's Messenger (S) Said: "Teach The Boy Salat When He Is Seven Years Old, And Beat Him (If He Does Not Pray) When He Is Ten.'



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#### Different Topics To Teach To Children

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#### Luqman Message To His Sons (31: 13 - 19)

- 13. And (Remember) When Luqman Said Unto His Son, When He Was Exhorting Him: O My Dear Son! Ascribe No Partners Unto Allah. Lo! To Ascribe Partners (Unto Him) Is A Tremendous Wrong ....
- 16. O My Dear Son! Lo! Though It Be But The Weight Of A Grain Of Mustard Seed, And Though It Be In A Rock, Or In The Heavens, Or In The Earth, Allah Will Bring It Forth. Allah Is Subtile, Aware.
- 17. O My Dear Son! Establish Worship And Enjoin Kindness And Forbid Iniquity, And Persevere Whatever May Befall Thee. Lo! That Is Of The Steadfast Heart Of Things.
- 18. Turn Not Thy Cheek In Scorn Toward Folk, Nor Walk With Pertness The Land. Lo! Allah Loveth Not Each Braggart Boaster.
- 19. Be Modest In Thy Bearing And Subdue Thy Voice. Lo! In Harshest Of All Voices Is The Voice Of The Ass.



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### Marriage (*Nikah*) As An Act Of Commitment

#### 1. Proposal And Acceptance.

- (Bukhari 5136) Abu Huraira: The Prophet (S) Said, "A Matron Should Not Be Given In Marriage Except After Consulting Her; And A Virgin Should Not Be Given In Marriage Except After Her Permission." The People Asked, "O Allah's Messenger (S) How Can We Know Her Permission?" He Said, "Her Silence (Indicates Her Permission).

#### 2. An Imam To Conduct The Nikah.

- (Tirmidhi 1101) **Abu Musa Narrated That** : The Messenger Of Allah Said: "There Is No Marriage Except With A Wali."

#### 3. The Khutbah / Sermon

- (Tirmidhi 1106) **Abu Hurairah Narrated That:** The Messenger Of Allah Said: "Every Khutbah That Does Not Have The Tashah-hud In It, Then It Is Like A Severed Hand."
- (Ibn Majah Vol. 3, Book 9, Hadith 1983) '**Abdulah Bin Zam'ah Said:** 'The Prophet Delivered A Sermon Then He Made Mention Of Women, And Exhorted (The Men) Concerning Them. Then He Said: 'How Long Will One Of You Whip His Wife Like A Slave, Then Lie With Her At The End Of The Day?'



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#### 4. The Marriage Contract (1)

- (Ibn Majah Vol. 3, Book 9, Hadith 2009) It Was Narrated From Ibn 'Abbas That: The Messenger Of Allah (S) Returned His Daughter To Abul-'as Bin Rabi' After Two Years, On The Basis Of The First Marriage Contract.
- (Muslim 2449, Bukhari 3110) Miswar B. Makhramali Reported That He Heard Allah's Messenger (S) Say, As He Sat On The Pulpit: The Sons Of Hisham B. Mughira Have Asked My Permission To Marry Their Daughter With 'Ali B. Abi Talib (That Refers To The Daughter Of Abu Jahl For Whom 'All Had Sent A Proposal For Marriage). But I Would Not Allow Them, I Would Not Allow Them, I Would Not Allow Them (And The Only Alternative Possible Is) That 'Ali Should Divorce My Daughter (And Then Marry Their Daughter), For My Daughter Is Part Of Me. He Who Disturbs Her In Fact Disturbs Me And He Who Offends Her Offends Me.



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#### 4. The Marriage Contract (2)

- (Al Muwatta Book 28, Hadith 16) Yahya Related To Me From Malik That He Had Heard That Said Ibn Al-musayyab Was Asked About A Woman Who Made A Stipulation On Her Husband Not To Take Her Away From Her Town. Said Ibn Al-musayyab Said, "He Takes Her Away If He Wishes." Malik Said, "The Custom Among Us Is That When A Man Marries A Woman, And He Makes A Condition In The Marriage Contract That He Will Not Marry After Her Or Take A Concubine, It Means Nothing Unless There Is An Oath Of Divorce Or Setting-free Attached To It. Then It Is Obligated And Required Of Him."
- Ibn Qudaamah Said In His Book Al-mughni: If He Married Her On The Condition That He Will Not Marry Another Wife, Then She Has The Right To Leave Him If He Does Take Another Wife. ...In Conclusion, Then, The Conditions Of The Marriage Contract Are Divided Into Three Types, One Of Which Must Be Adhered To, Which Is Of Benefit To The Wife, Such As Her Being Able To Stipulate That He Cannot Make Her Move From Her House Or City, Or Travel With Him, Or Take Another Wife Or A Concubine. He Has To Adhere To These Conditions, And If He Does Not, Then She Has The Right To Annul The Marriage." [Al-mughni By Ibn Qudaamah, Part 7, Kitaab Al-nikaah]
- Shaykh Al-islam Ibn Taymiyah Was Asked This Question And He Replied In Al-fataawa Al-kubra: "Question: A Man Married A Woman And She Stipulated That He Should Not Take Another Wife Or Make Her Move From Her House, And That She Could Stay With Her Mother, So He Married Her On This Basis. Does He Have To Adhere To This, And If He Goes Against These Conditions, Does His Wife Have The Right To Annul The Marriage Or Not? Answer: Yes, These Conditions And Similar Ones Are Valid According To The Madhhab Of Imaam Ahmad And Other Scholars Among The Sahaabah And Taabi'een [al-Fataawa al-Kubra, part 3, Kitaab al-Nikaah]."



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#### 5. Two Witnesses

- (Al Muwatta Book 28, Hadith 26) Yahya Related To Me From Malik From Abu'z-zubayr Al-makki That A Case Was Brought To Umar About A Marriage Which Had Only Been Witnessed By One Man And One Woman . He Said, "This Is A Secret Marriage And I Do Not Permit It. Had I Been The First To Come Upon It, I Would Have Ordered Them To Be Stoned."

#### 6. The Dowry

- (Bukhari 5148) Narrated Anas: `Abdur Rahman Bin `Auf Married A Woman And Gave Her Gold Equal To The Weight Of A Date Stone (As Mahr).
- (Sunan Abi Dawud 2107) Urwah Reported On The Authority Of Umm Habibah That She Was Married To Abdullah Ibn Jahsh Who Died In Abyssinia, So The Negus Married Her To The Prophet (s) Giving Her On His Behalf A Dower Of Four Thousand (Dirhams). He Sent Her To The Messenger Of Allah (s) With Shurahbil Ibn Hasanah



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#### 7. The Du'a

- (An Nasa'i 3371) **Al-hasan Said:** "Aqil Bin Abi Talib Married A Woman From Banu Jusham, And It Was Said To Him: 'May You Live In Harmony And Have Many Sons.' He Said: 'Say What The Messenger Of Allah Said: Barak Allahu Fikum, Wa Baraka Lakum. (May Allah Bless You And Bestow Blessings Upon You.)'"

#### 8. The Walimah

- (Bukhari 5154) **Anas:** The Prophet (S) Offered A Wedding Banquet On The Occasion Of His Marriage To Zainab, And Provided A Good Meal For The Muslims. Then He Went Out As Was His Custom On Marrying, He Came To The Dwelling Places Of The Mothers Of The Believers (I.E. His Wives) Invoking Good (On Them), And They Were Invoking Good (On Him). Then He Departed (And Came Back) And Saw Two Men (Still Sitting There). So He Left Again. I Do Not Remember Whether I Informed Him Or He Was Informed (By Somebody Else) Of Their Departure).
- (Nasa'i 3383) **'Amir Bin Sa'd Said:** "I Entered Upon Qurazah Bin Ka'b And Abu Mas'ud Al-ansari During A Wedding And There Were Some Young Girls Singing. I Said: 'You Are Two Of The Companions Of The Messenger Of Allah Who Were Present At Badr, And This Is Being Done In Your Presence!' They Said: 'Sit Down If You Want And Listen With Us, Or If You Want You Can Go Away. We Were Granted A Concession Allowing Entertainment At Weddings.'"



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#### 9. Halal Not Haram

- (Nasa'i 3369) **Muhammad Bin Hatib Said:** "The Messenger Of Allah Said: 'What Differentiates Between The Lawful And The Unlawful Is The Duff, And The Voice (Singing) For The Wedding.'"
- (Tirmidhi 1089) **Aishah Narrated That:** The Messenger Of Allah Said: "Publicize This Marriage, And Hold It In The Masjid, And Beat The Duff For It."

#### 10. Custom Of A Country

- (Bukhary 5154) **Anas:** The Prophet (S) Offered A Wedding Banquet On The Occasion Of His Marriage To Zainab, And Provided A Good Meal For The Muslims. Then He Went Out As Was His Custom On Marrying, He Came To The Dwelling Places Of The Mothers Of The Believers (I.E. His Wives) Invoking Good (On Them), And They Were Invoking Good (On Him). Then He Departed (And Came Back) And Saw Two Men (Still Sitting There). So He Left Again. I Do Not Remember Whether I Informed Him Or He Was Informed (By Somebody Else) Of Their Departure).
- (Ibn Majah Vol. 3, Book 9, Hadith 1915) **Abu Hurairah:** That The Messenger Of Allah Said: 'The Wedding Feast On The First Day Is An Obligation, On The Second Day Is A Custom And On The Third Day Is Showing Off.'



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- (24: 32) And Marry Such Of You As Are Solitary
- (4: 3) And If Ye Fear That Ye Will Not Deal Fairly By The Orphans, Marry Of The Women, Who Seem Good To You, Two Or Three Or Four; And If Ye Fear That Ye Cannot Do Justice (To So Many) Then One (Only) Or (The Captives) That Your Right Hands Possess. Thus It Is More Likely That Ye Will Not Do Injustice.
- (Ibn Majah Vol. 3, Book 9, Hadith 1846) Aishah That: The Messenger Of Allah Said: “Marriage Is Part Of My Sunnah, And Whoever Does Not Follow My Sunnah Has Nothing To Do With Me. Get Married, For I Will Boast Of Your Great Numbers Before The Nations. Whoever Has The Means, Let Him Get Married, And Whoever Does Not, Then He Should Fast For It Will Diminish His Desire.”
- (30:21) And Of His Signs Is This: He Created For You Helpmeets From Yourselves That Ye Might Find Rest In Them, And He ordained Between You Love And Mercy. Lo, Herein Indeed Are Portents For Folk Who Reflect.
- (Bukhari 5066) `Abdullah: We Were With The Prophet (s) While We Were Young And Had No Wealth Whatever. So Allah's Messenger (s) Said, "O Young People! Whoever Among You Can Marry, Should Marry, Because It Helps Him Lower His Gaze And Guard His Modesty (I.E. His Private Parts From Committing Illegal Sexual Intercourse Etc.), And Whoever Is Not Able To Marry, Should Fast, As Fasting Diminishes His Sexual Power.”
- (16: 72) And Allah Hath Given You Wives Of Your Own Kind, And Hath Given You, From Your Wives, Sons And Grandsons, And Hath Made Provision Of Good Things For You. Is It Then In Vanity That They Believe And In The Grace Of Allah That They Disbelieve?
- (2: 187) They Are Clothing For You And Ye Are Clothing For Them



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### Diversity Of Acts Of Devotion Carried Out By Different Muslims

- Huququllaah (Follow Shari'ah – Rights Of Allah) And Huququl 'Ibaad (Service To Mankind, Helping Others, Parents)
- Swalaat Fard, Waajid, Sunnah, Nawaafil, Swalaat Tahajjud, Israaq, Duha, Awabin, Istaghfar, Haajaat, Istikhaarah, Tasbih, Qiyaamul Lail
- Umrah, Hajj, Ramadwaan Fasting, Zakaat, Zakaat Ul Fitr, Swadaqa, I'tikaaf
- Fasting On Mondays, Thursdays, 'Ashura, 6 Nafil Of Shawwal, 3 Days A Month, Mi'raj, Nisfush Sha'baan
- Tilaawat Qur'an, Learning By Heart, Dhikrullaah, Darood Shareef, Tasbihaat / Adhkaar, Wird / Litanies
- Yawm Un Nabi, Khatm Ul Qur'an / 'Urs, Mi'raj, Nisfush Sha'baan, Majlis, Halaqa
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### 'Ashura, The 10<sup>th</sup> Of Muharram

- (Ibn Majah Vol. 1, Book 7, Hadith 1734) Ibn 'Abbas Said: "The Prophet (S) Came To Al- Madinah, And He Found The Jews Observing A Fast. He Said: 'What Is This?' They Said: 'This Is The Day When Allah Saved Musa And Drowned Pharaoh, So Musa Fasted This Day In Gratitude.' The Messenger Of Allah (S) Said: 'We Have More Right To Musa Than You Do.' So He Fasted (That Day) And Enjoined (Others) To Fast It Also.'"
- (Muslim 1131) Abu Musa (Allah Be Pleased With Him) Reported: The Day Of 'Ashura Was One Which The Jews Respected And They Treated It As Id. The Messenger Of Allah (S) Said: You Also Observe Fast On This Day.



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### 'Ashura, The 10<sup>th</sup> Of Muharram

- (Bukhari 2000) Narrated Salim's Father: The Prophet (S) Said, "Whoever Wishes May Fast On The Day Of 'Ashura'."
- (Tirmidhi 752) Abu Qatadah Narrated That : The Prophet Said: "Fast The Day Of Ashura, For Indeed I Anticipate That Allah Will Forgive (The Sins Of) The Year Before It."
- (Bukhari 1592) `Aisha: The People Used To Fast On 'Ashura Before The Fasting Of Ramadan Was Made Obligatory. And On That Day The Ka`ba Used To Be Covered With A Cover. When Allah Made The Fasting Of The Month Of Ramadan Compulsory, Allah's Messenger (S) Said, "Whoever Wishes To Fast (For 'Ashura') May Do So; And Whoever Wishes To Leave It Can Do So."



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### 'Ashura, The 10<sup>th</sup> Of Muharram

- Sunnis = Day Musah Fasted To Show His Gratitude For The Freedom Of The Israelites, Battle Of Karbala, Death Of Many Of The Ahlul Bait (We Can't Deny History)
- Shi'a = Day Of Mourning, A Climax Of The Remembrance Of Muharram And The Murder Of Husayn Ibn Ali At The Battle Of Karbala, Self Mutilation, Sharp Swords, Knives Etc
- Majlis / Majaalis / Halaqa At Mosque To Narrate The Event Of Karbala, The Steadfastness Of Imaam Hussain, The Army Of Yazid Etc
- (Bukhari 1298)`Abdullah: The Prophet (S) Said, "He Who Slaps The Cheeks, Tears The Clothes And Follows The Traditions Of The Days Of Ignorance Is Not From Us."



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### Personal Prayers (Du'a) For Guidance

- (Tirmidhi 3498) Abu Hurairah Narrated That The Messenger Of Allah Said: "Our Lord Descends Every Night To The Nearest Heaven, Until The Last Third Of The Night Remains, So He Says: 'Who Is Calling Upon Me So That I May Answer Him? Who Is Asking From Me So That I May Give Him? And Who Is Seeking Forgiveness From Me, So That I May Forgive Him.'"
- (Ibn Majah 3862) Abu Hurairah That : The Messenger Of Allah (Saas) Said: "There Are Three Supplications That Will Undoubtedly Be Answered: The Supplication Of One Who Has Been Wronged; The Supplication Of The Traveler; And The Supplication Of A Father For His Child."
- ( Ibn Majah 3866) Ibn 'Abbas That :The Messenger Of Allah (Saas) Said: "When You Supplicate To Allah, Supplicate With Your Palms Uppermost, Not With The Backs Of Your Hands Uppermost, And When You Finish, Wipe Your Face With Them.'



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### Personal Prayers (*Du'a*) For Guidance

- (Tirmidhi 3371) Anas Bin Malik Narrated That : The Prophet (s) Said: “The Supplication Is The Essence Of Worship.”
- (Muslim 2721) Abdullah Reported That Allah's Messenger (S) Used To Supplicate (In These Words): " O Allah. I Beg Of Thee The Right Guidance, Safeguard Against Evils, Chastity And Freedom From Want."  
(اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ الْهُدَى وَالتَّقَى وَالْعَفَافَ وَالْغِنَى)
- ('Adab Ul Mufrad Book 1, Hadith 5) Anas Reported That The Messenger Of Allah (s) Said, "When One Of You Makes A Supplication, He Should Be Firm In The Supplication And Not Say, 'O Allah, If You Like, Give To Me.' Allah Cannot Be Forced Against His Will."



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