

RESPECTING ELDERS & PARENTS

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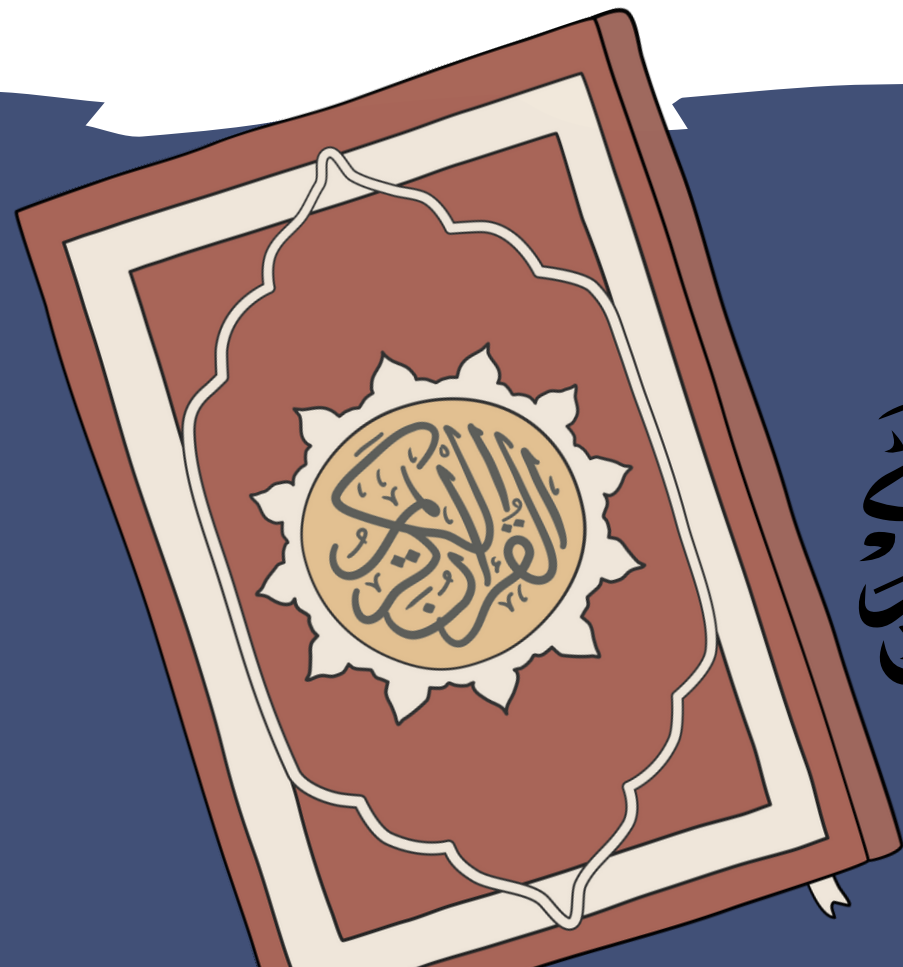


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WHAT DOES ISLAM SAY ABOUT RESPECTING OUR PARENTS?



**ALI'S PARENTS ASK HIM TO MAKE HIS
BED. ALI RESPONDS BY SAYING:**

“UFF, I’LL DO IT LATER!”

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF ALI’S RESPONSE?



LET'S SEE WHAT THE HOLY QUR'AN SAYS:

"Thy Lord has commanded, 'Worship none but Him, and [show] kindness to parents. If one of them or both of them attain old age with thee, never say unto them any word expressive of disgust nor reproach them, but address them with excellent speech. And lower to them the wing of humility out of tenderness. And say, 'My Lord, have mercy on them even as they nourished me in my childhood'"

(Surah Bani Isra'il, Ch.17: V.24-25)

POINTS TO TAKE FROM THE HOLY QURAN

In these verses, it talks about Allah: 'to worship Him' - but after that, it talks about parents:

- to show kindness to them,
- **not** to say any word against them,
- **not** to reproach (admonition) them,
- to address them with excellent speech,
- to show humility to them,
- and to pray for them.

THE HOLY PROPHET (SAW) SAID



"The happiness of God lies in the happiness of parents and God is also unhappy when parents are unhappy."

THE PROMISED MESSIAH (AS) SAID

“I truthfully proclaim that a person who is not dutiful to their mother and father will never receive goodness and blessing.

So mould yourselves with good intentions to act upon the instructions of God and His Messenger with complete obedience and loyalty;

for all good lies in this, otherwise, one is free to act as they please. My duty is only to advise you.”



WHY IS IT IMPORTANT IN ISLAM? LETS SEE:

Hazrat Abu Umamah narrated that once a man asked the Holy Prophet (saw) about the rights of parents upon their children. He replied that: 'The parents are the Heaven or Hell for their children.'

Once a person came to Holy Prophet (saw) and sought his advice about taking part in Jihad with him. The Holy Prophet (saw) asked him whether his mother was alive? He answered 'yes! The Holy Prophet (saw) then told him 'Go back home and serve her as Heaven was under her feet.'

Hazrat Abdullah Bin Amr narrates that the Holy Prophet (saw) said: 'The pleasure of Allah lies in the pleasure of father and displeasure of Allah lies in the displeasure of father.'

Hazrat Abu Hurairah narrates: The Holy Prophet (saw) cursed the person three times whose old parents (both or one) were alive and he still did not earn Heaven (by serving them).

What is the most
Beneficial advice
you got from your
parents?





MOST BENEFICIAL ADVICE FROM HUZOOR (ABA) PARENTS

Once a student asked Huzoor (aba),

- "What advice of your parents has proven to be most beneficial to you?"

Huzoor (aba) replied,

- "Never ever tell a lie!"

GIVING TO YOUR PARENTS

Once a man complained to the Holy Prophet (saw) about his father who took his belongings whenever he liked.

The Messenger of Allah called for his father, who was a very old man, and asked him the details of the matter.

The father said, 'O, Messenger of Allah, a time was when my son was weak and helpless and bare-handed while I had strength and wealth. I never hesitated to give him my belongings whenever he needed them. Today I am weak and bare-handed while he is rich and now he keeps his belongings from me!

Hearing this, tears came to the eyes of the Holy Prophet (saw) and he said to the son: 'You and your belongings belong to your father. You and your belongings belong to your father!'

**WHAT SHOULD YOU DO IF
YOUR PARENTS TELL YOU
TO DO SOMETHING YOU
DON'T LIKE?**



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HOW CAN WE BECOME MORE
OBEDIENT TOWARDS OUR
PARENTS?

Once, a companion asked the Holy Prophet (saw)

“Who is the **most deserving person to get nice treatment from me?”**

What did the Holy Prophet (saw) say to him?

PARADISE LIES UNDER WHOSE FEET?



EXAMPLE OF HAZRAT AMMA JAN (RA)

(WIFE OF THE PROMISED MESSIAH (AS))

The Promised Messiah (as) said: “Once our daughter had cholera. At home, my wife would take all her vomit and such on her hands. The mother is the child's partner in all sufferings. This is a natural love that no other love can compete with. It is to this that God Almighty has indicated in the Holy Qur'an:

'Verily, Allah requires you to abide by justice, and to treat with grace, and give like the giving of kin to kin!' (The Holy Qur'an, 16:91)

We learn from the Hadith that when a person dies,
all his deeds end except three, and **one of them is:**

أَوْ وَلَدٍ صَالِحٍ يَدْعُو لَهُ

‘A righteous child who prays for him.’ (Sahih Muslim)

WHAT'S THE DUA FOR PARENTS?



**THE HOLY PROPHET
(SAW) SAID**



**“HE IS NOT OF US WHO DOES NOT
RESPECT OUR ELDERS, AND DOES
NOT SHOW MERCY TO OUR YOUNG”**



THE PROMISED MESSIAH (AS) SAID

“No person gets destroyed by God as fast as the person who is disrespectful and who is rude.”

WHAT ARE SOME

WAYS WE CAN

HELP ELDERS IN

THE MOSQUE?



“MY RESPECT STORY” ACTIVITY

TAKEAWAY: Each Tifl shares one personal moment of respecting parents/elders that turned out good for them.

Everyone goes one by one, in a circle or seated row. (pass a ball if you wish*) Give them guiding prompts to make it easier:

- A time you obeyed your parents and it helped you.
- A moment you served or helped your parents/elders.
- A time you disagreed but still showed respect.

Have a reflection afterwards, highlighting common themes such as: Parents wisdom, serving elders and blessings, listening at difficult times turns out to be beneficial.



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