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Atfal Pledge

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ
وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ

I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship except Allah and I bear witness that Muhammad (saw) is His Servant and Messenger. I sincerely promise that I shall always be ready to serve my faith Islam, Jama'at e Ahmadiyya Muslima, my nation and country. I shall always tell the truth, will not insult and abuse anybody and I will try my best to obey all instructions given by Hazrat Khalifatul Masih, Insha'Allah.

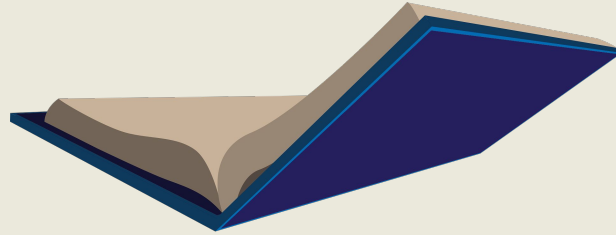


Assessment



Salat Memorization

Assessment



Recitation of the Holy Qur'an

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Ma'yar-e-Saghir

Atfal Syllabus



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Ramadhan

Ramadhan is the holiest month in Islam. In this month, fasting is not the only spiritual exercise. It consists of abstaining from misdeeds, being charitable, offering nawafil prayers, and reciting the Holy Quran on a regular basis.

The reason for why all of these are part of Ramadhan is because the Holy Prophet (saw) used to perform all of these deeds more in this month than other months. Angel Gabriel used to visit the Holy Prophet (saw) every Ramadhan and revise the entirety of the Holy Quran, therefore we should also try to recite the entire Holy Quran in this blessed month.

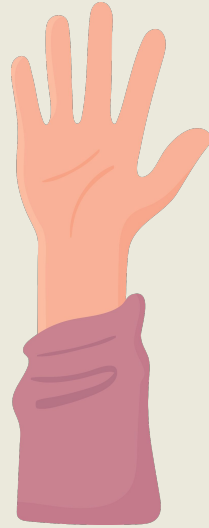
Ramadhan

The Holy Prophet (saw) has stated that, 'There has come to you Ramadan, a blessed month, which Allah has enjoined you to fast. In it the gates of heavens are opened and the gates of Hell are closed, and every satan is chained up.'

This means that when the blessed month of Ramadhan is upon us then there are greater chances of us in going into heaven, things are made easy for us to be pious and misdeeds become difficult for us.

We should strive to utilize these days in the best possible way.

Raise Your Hand



FOR TRIVIA SECTION

Question

**What activities are
performed in Ramadhan?**



Abstaining from misdeeds, being charitable, offering nawafil prayers, and reciting the Holy Quran on a regular basis.



Question

**Why do we recite and
complete the Holy Quran in
Ramadhan?**



Angel Gabriel would come
and revise all of the Holy
Quran with the Holy
Prophet (saw).



Question

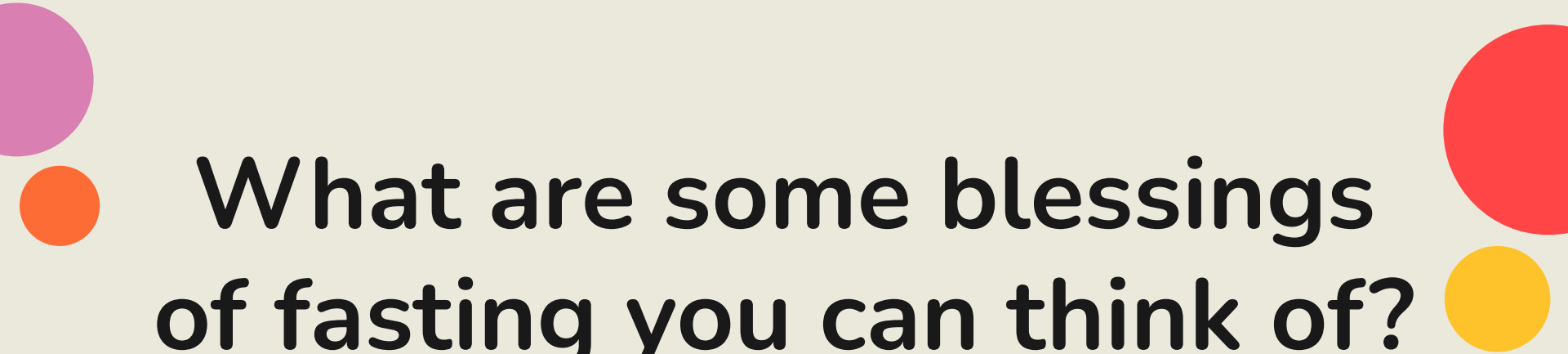
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Discussion

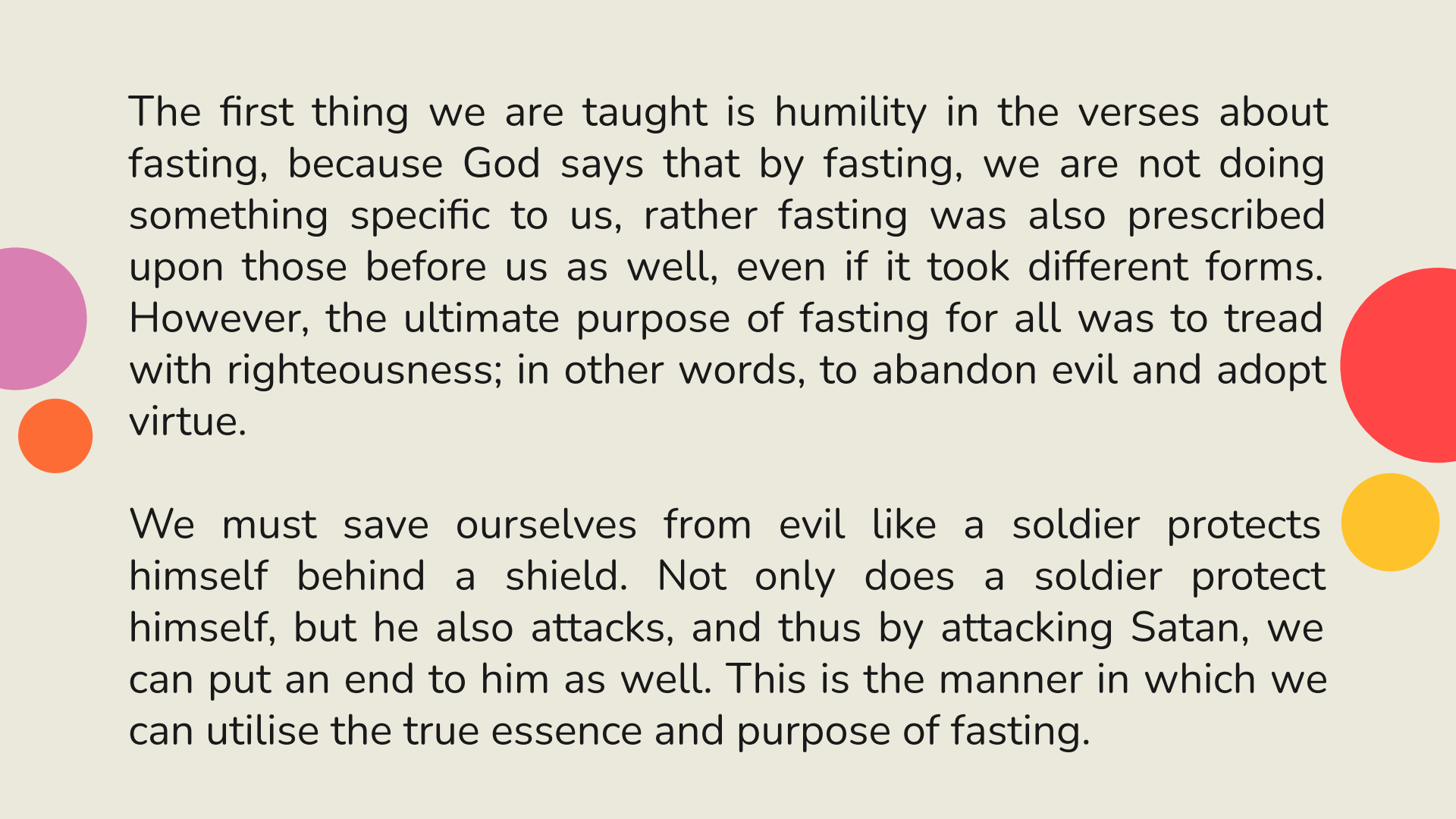
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What are some blessings of fasting you can think of?



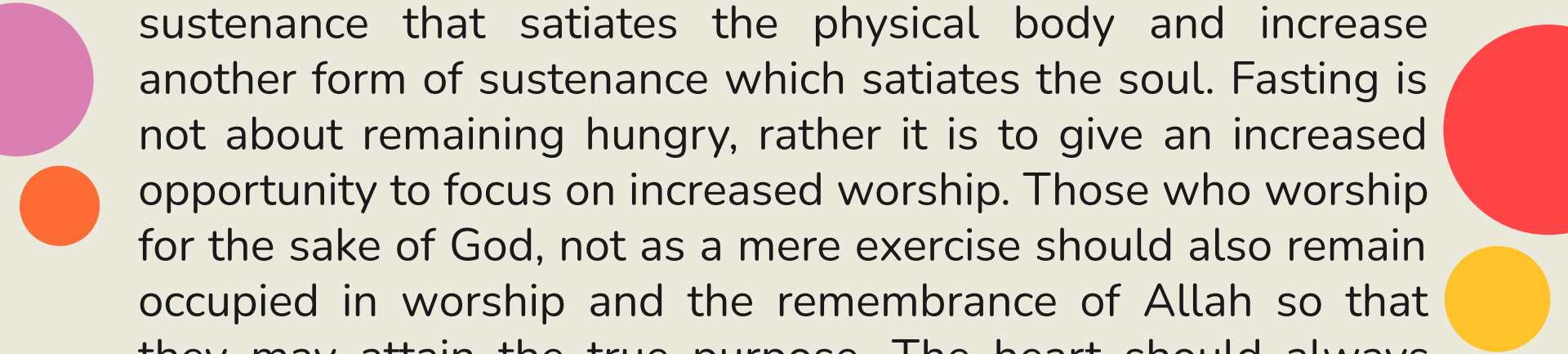
Lesson of the Week

Friday Sermon Recap



The first thing we are taught is humility in the verses about fasting, because God says that by fasting, we are not doing something specific to us, rather fasting was also prescribed upon those before us as well, even if it took different forms. However, the ultimate purpose of fasting for all was to tread with righteousness; in other words, to abandon evil and adopt virtue.

We must save ourselves from evil like a soldier protects himself behind a shield. Not only does a soldier protect himself, but he also attacks, and thus by attacking Satan, we can put an end to him as well. This is the manner in which we can utilise the true essence and purpose of fasting.

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The true essence of Ramadan, which is to lessen one form of sustenance that satiates the physical body and increase another form of sustenance which satiates the soul. Fasting is not about remaining hungry, rather it is to give an increased opportunity to focus on increased worship. Those who worship for the sake of God, not as a mere exercise should also remain occupied in worship and the remembrance of Allah so that they may attain the true purpose. The heart should always remain occupied in the remembrance of Allah.



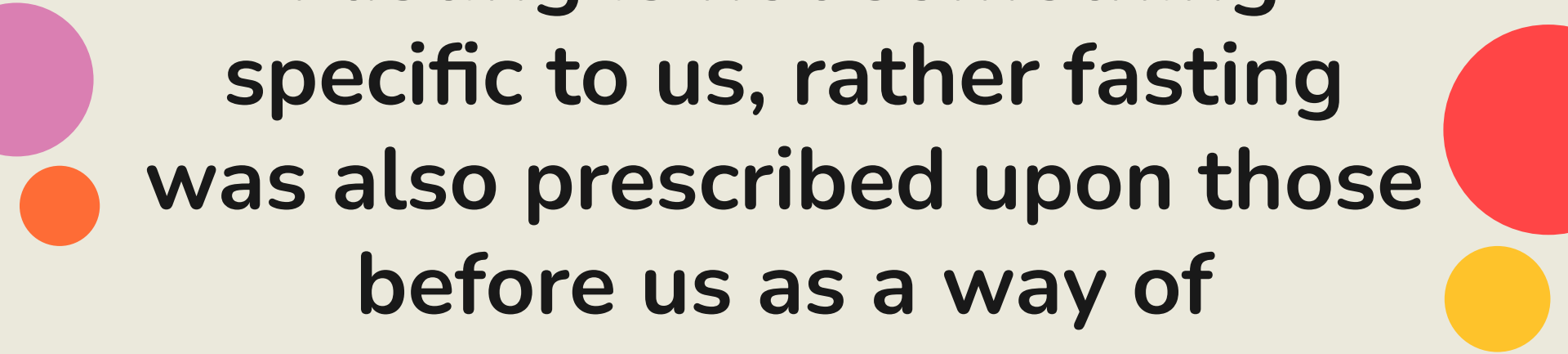
The Promised Messiah (as), explained what it means to establish prayer. The initial stage is to take prayers from a state of not finding any pleasure in their prayer or having wandering thoughts during prayers which is why they do not attract acceptance.



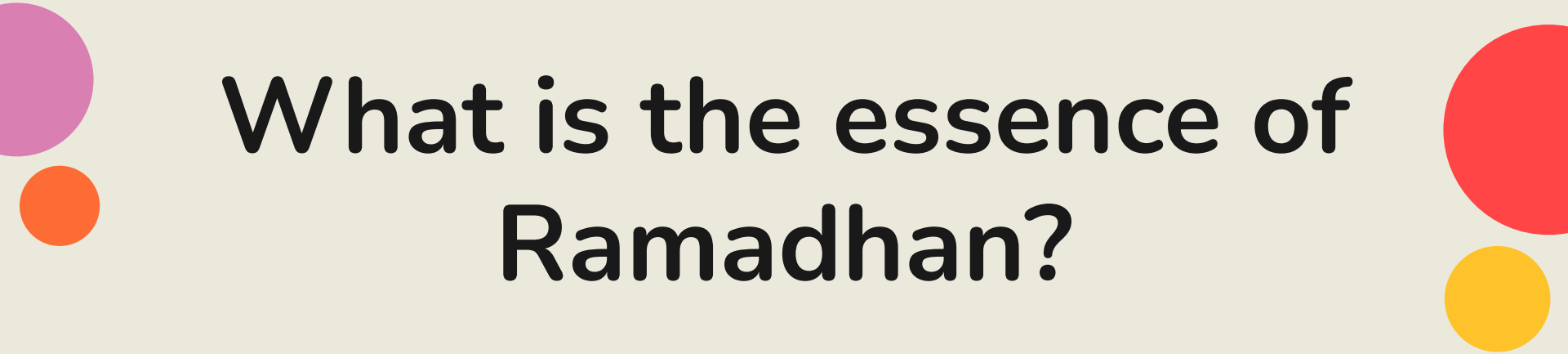
Once, there was a man who lost something, and instead of looking for it, he said that he would pray and since his thoughts wander during prayers, he would remember where it was while he was 'praying'. This is not true prayer, but the whisperings of Satan. True prayer is when one remembers God throughout, and not even thousands of rupees worth of business can detract their attention and thoughts from prayer. In this way one can achieve both their worldly and spiritual purposes.

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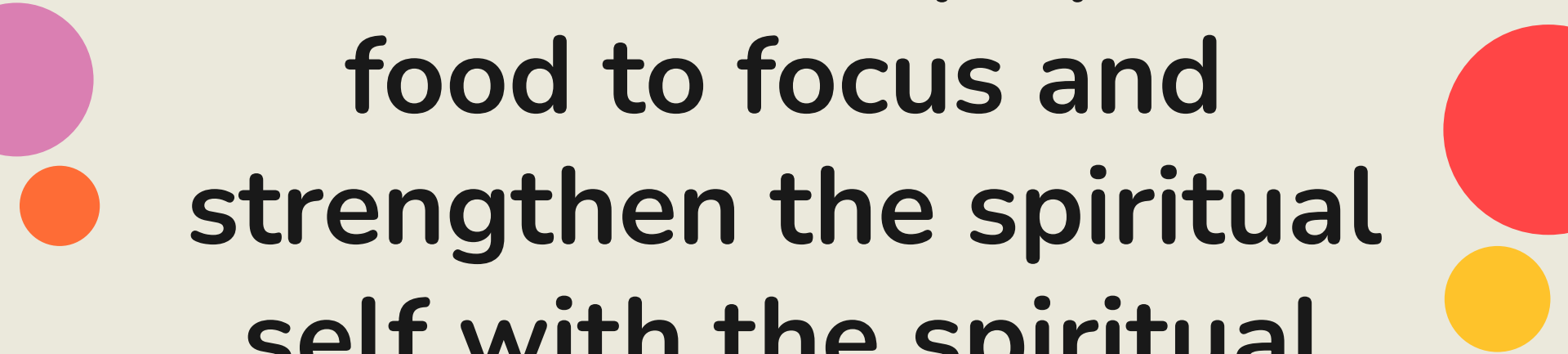
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do we derive from the
Quranic verses of fasting?

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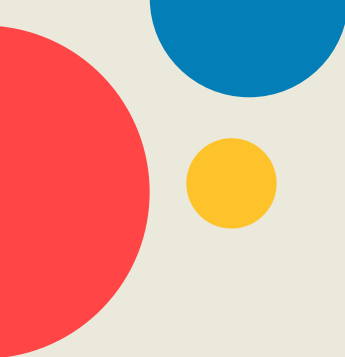
Fasting is not something
specific to us, rather fasting
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**What is the essence of
Ramadhan?**

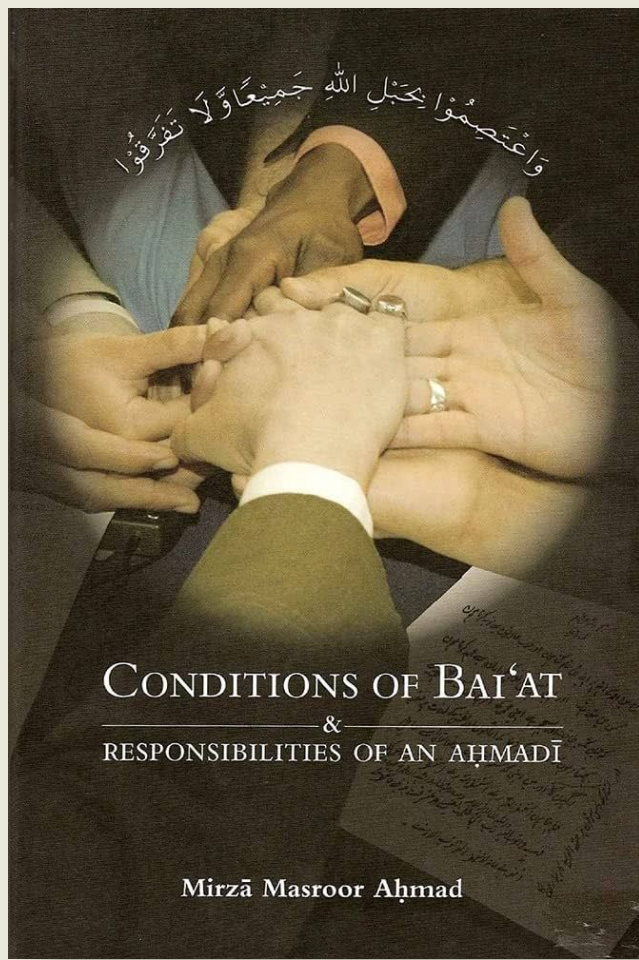
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To lessen the physical
food to focus and
strengthen the spiritual
self with the spiritual
food



Ma'yar-e-Kabir





Conditions of Bai'at & Responsibilities of an Ahmadi



Condition 2

The second condition of bai'at mentions nine sins:

- Falsehood, adultery, trespasses of the eye, debauchery (excessive indecency), dissipation (lustfulness), cruelty, dishonesty, mischief and rebellion

Today's class will cover:

- Keep Away from Dishonesty.
 - Keep Away from Mischief
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Condition 2 - Dishonesty

Allah says about dishonesty in the Holy Qur'an:

'And plead not on behalf of those who are dishonest to themselves. Surely, Allah loves not one who is deceitful and a great sinner.'

Hazrat Abu Hurairah (ra) narrates that the Holy Prophet (sa) said:

*'If someone gives you something for safekeeping, return it to him. Do not be dishonest with anyone, even if he has been dishonest with you.'*¹



¹ Sunano Abi Dawud, Kitab-ul-Buyu



Condition 2 - Dishonesty

The Promised Messiah (as) states,

“Of the various forms of discarding evil, the second is the virtue (goodness) known as honesty and integrity, which is the aversion to harm anyone by taking possession of his property dishonestly.

It should be clear that honesty and integrity constitute a natural human condition. That is why an infant, which is by nature simple and naive, and, because of young age, has not yet acquired any bad habits and dislikes what belongs to others”

² Islami Usul ki Philosophy, Ruhani Khaza'in, vol. 10, p. 344





Condition 2 - Mischief

Allah says about mischief in the Holy Qur'an:

'And seek, in that which Allah has given you, the Home of the Hereafter; and neglect not your lot (share) in this world; and do good to others as Allah has done good to you; and seek not to make mischief in the earth, verily Allah loves not those who make mischief.'





Condition 2 - Mischeif

Hazrat Mu'adh Bin Jabal (ra) relates that the Holy Prophet (sa) said,

'Combat is of two types: One that is waged for the pleasure of Allah under the leadership of an Imam. A person engaged in such combat spends his best property in the way of Allah, is comforting his companions, and avoids mischief. For such a person, everything—his sleeping and waking time—earns reward in the sight of Allah.

And there is another who engages in combat for pride, showiness, and to talk about his courage. He disobeys the Imam and creates mischief in the earth. Such a one can never equal the first one in rank.'





Condition 2 - Cruelty

Hadrat Asma' Bint Yazid (ra) narrates that the Holy Prophet (sa) said,

'Should I inform you about the best of people?' The Companions said, 'Certainly, tell us O Prophet of Allah.' He said, 'When they witness a desirable scene, they start remembering Allah.'

Then he said, 'Should I tell you about the worst of people? The worst people are those who go about backbiting and creating discord between people. Their wish is that the obedient servants of Allah get involved in sin.'



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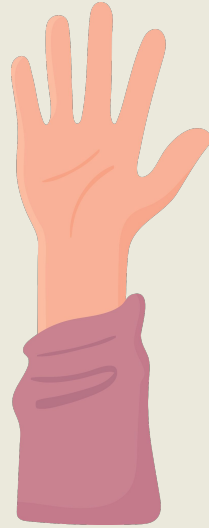
The Promised Messiah (as) states, 'Do not engage in fighting or discord with those who leave you because you have joined a Movement established by Almighty Allah; instead, pray for them in secret that Allah may grant them the insight that He has granted you.'

With your pious example and good behavior, prove that you have adopted the right path. Listen! I am appointed to admonish you repeatedly to avoid all occasions of discord and disturbance. Have patience even if you hear abuse. Respond to evil with goodness. If you encounter conflict, slip away from that situation or respond with kind words.'

¹ Tablighe-Risalat, vol. 7, pp. 42–44.
Ishtihar (The Announcement), May 29,
1898, p. 2



Raise Your Hand



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Question

**If someone is dishonest
with you, how should you
respond?**

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**Only with honesty and never with
dishonesty**

Question

What two combats are there according to the hadith of the Holy Prophet (saw)?



One done for the sake of
Allah, the second for sake
of himself and looking good

Question

According to the Holy
Prophet (sa), what is the best
of people?



Those that remember Allah,
when they see something
that they desire



Discussion

What are some examples of honesty that you have experienced?



**What value did you learn today in
class?**

