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## Belief in Allah's knowledge (8)

Man's character: Fulfillment of trusts  
(husband and wife)

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title: InshaAllah, a guaranteed prescription (marriage) 1

Insha Allah today we will continue the topic of belief in the knowledge of Allah which covers all the universe and man and his secrets, intentions and every deed and saying. That belief is the basic for the way of life of the believer i.e. the feeling that Allah is watching over us all the time, will encourage and stimulate the believer to worship Allah i.e. to follow His Commands in the best shape. Fulfillment of our (Amanah) i.e. our duties towards all the people around us in one of the Commands of Allah.

We already learned about our duties (amanah) towards our parents and how to fulfill it in the best shape.

InshaAllah, today, we will learn as wives about our (ammanah) towards our husbands i.e our duties towards our husbands.

### Love- woman and her husband

Love is one of the greatest blessings, Allah (which) has bestowed on humanity. Allah has created human nature in such a way that: Love is its nurtiment and its source to be healthy living, active and happy.

In reality, the feeling of true Love brings a spirit greater pleasure than many other blessings

In Islam, marriage is a blessed contract between a woman and a man in which each become permitted to the other, and they begin long journey of life in a spirit of Love coaparation and comfort in the company of one another

Marriage is the strongest bond, in which

Allah unites the two muslim partners, who come together on the basis of Love, understanding, cooperation and mutual advice, and establish

3 a muslim family in which children will live and grow up, and they will develop the good character and behaviour taught by Islam.

A righteous woman is the greatest blessing that Allah give to a man, for with her he can find comfort and rest, tranquillity and pleasure.

Let's us learn in details (as muslim wives) about: ?

- 1- The evidences that Islam honours women.
- 2- The evidences that Islam honours the muslim wife.
- 3- What is the reality of happiness regarding wife and husband?
- 4- What are the qualities of the man and how they differ from those of the woman?

4. It is very important for every muslim and muslima to know the facts of the Islam which is related to marriage, women and rights of husbands and wives in Islam so that they can clarify the reality of the importance of family in Islam.

### Islam Honors Women and Respects their Dignity

**First:** Before Islam, women were treated with humiliation and disgrace.

#### What is the evidence?

1) Allah said in Surat (16) An-Nahl (verses 58-59):

(58) "And when the news of the birth of a female child is brought to any of them, his face becomes black and he is filled with inward grief."

(59) "He hides himself from the people because of the evil of that where of he has been informed. Shall he keep her with dishonor or bury her in the earth."

#### Meaning:

In pre Islamic society, women were treated with oppression and abuse. Female infanticide was widespread in Arabia and these females who survived were given a position much inferior to that of men, as they were used for the entertainment and pleasure.

Women were inherited like animals and property for example any of the relatives of a deceased man can marry his widow if he wanted. Also some Arabs can divorce women and stipulate that they could not marry anymore without the consent of their former husbands.

**Second:** It is from that low position that Islam raised the relationship between man and women to an honorable level befitting the dignity of the women.

## What are the Proofs?

### 1<sup>st</sup> Proof:

Chapter (4) of the Quran which is named, An-Nisa (Women) - Its first verse states:

“Mankind Fear your Lord, who has created you from a single soul, and from it created its mate and from the two of them spread abroad so many men and women. Fear God, in whose name you appeal to one another and be mindful of your ties of kinship. Indeed God is ever watching over you.”

### Meaning:

- 1) All humanity share together in a single kinship and have the same origin.
- 2) We all belong to our creator (Allah) who has established us on the earth.
- 3) The women (Eve) was created from the first human soul (Adam) in order to be its mate and therefore for numerous men and women to assure forth from them both.
- 4) Both men and women are two parts of a single soul.
- 5) There is no difference between men and women in their nature or origin.
- 6) Man and women are two mutually complementary human beings.
- 7) Man and women are not identical, but a pair each part of which compliments the other.
- 8) Men and women are equal in front of the law and in all civil rights.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Proof:

Allah said in Surat An-Nahl (16) verse (97):

“Whoever works righteousness, whether male or female while he (or she) is a true believer. Verily to him we will give a good life and we shall pay them certainly a reward in proportion to the best of what they used to do (i.e. Paradise in the Hereafter).”

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Proof:

All the Exalted said in Surat An-Nisa (4) verse (32)

“Men shall have a benefit of what they earn and women shall have a benefit of what they earn.”

### Meaning:

Islam gives to women the right of individual ownership, a right which was denied by societies of the past (before Islam). Also Prophet Mohamed (Peace Be Upon Him) said: Women are the twin halves of men.

∴ Rule : Islam is the Religion that honors women and considers them twin halves of men.

## Marriage in Islam

Marriage is a human institution which is highly respectable in Islam, as it is the legal way to form the family, which is the foundation of the Islamic society structure.

### Proofs from the Quran and the Sunna of Prophet Mohamed (Peace be Upon Him):

**Proof 1:** Marriage is a pledge that must be respect and cherished by every believer. Allah said in Surat 4 verse (21): "And they have received from you a most solemn pledge."

### Meaning:

That pledge is the pledge of marriage. Marriage which is given in the name of God and according to the method He has made Lawful. Every believer must respect the pledge and respect the women's right in it. *the woman has the right to write all the rights which she is looking for, e.g. if she wants to work, and if the husband agreed, he has to keep on his agreement all the marriage time.*

**Proof 2:** In Islam, both the husband and the wife has the right of choice of its life Partner and there should be an acceptance, and an approval of the acceptance from both of the husband and the wife. Prophet Mohamed (Peace Be Upon Him) said: The virgin is not married until her permission is sought.

### Meaning:

The women has the Free choice to choose her husband, on the absence of any pressure of the parents, whom can advice but not pressurize.

**Proof 3:** The wife right in the dowry: Allah said in Surat (4) verse (4): "Give women their dower as a free gift, but if they of their own accord choose to give up to you a part of it, then you may take it with pleasure."

### Meaning:

- 1) Islam gives every women a clear and personal right to her marriage portion or dowry.
- 2) The dowry belongs to the women and she should receive it herself not her guardian.

**Proof 4:** The husband responsibility is to provide the essential needs of the Family: Allah said in Surat (2) verse (233): "The father of the child shall bear the cast of the mother's food and clothing on a reasonable basis." The essential needs are: Food, Clothes, Treatment and the Residence.

**Proof 5: Kind Treatment is a duty of every husband: Allah said in Surat (4) verse 19: "Consort with them in a goodly manner. Even if you are averse to them, it may well be that you are averse to something in which God has placed much good."**

**Meaning:**

In Islam, the marital relationship is based on Freedom of choice which indicates that affection, mercy, love and compassion are the basic feelings between the husband and the wife but still there are always outbursts of temper which can lead to feelings of hatred, accordingly, Allah the All mighty is controlling this situation through advising the husbands to control their anger and hate towards their wives as there may be much good in them which they can't recognize. It is an advice aiming at keeping the family relations away from destruction as possible.

7 A good practical example of the seriousness with which Islam views marriage is provided by "Umar Ibn al Khattab" the second Caliph, who was once approached by a man expressing his resolve to divorce his wife simply because "he did not like her." Umar said to him: "Are families built only on Love, where would you then place loyalty and mutual care."

**The Lesson from the story: If a husband doesn't love his wife, so let him remember the pledge of marriage, the sympathy and the affection.**

**The Sunna of Prophet Mohamed Peace Be Upon Him encourages kind treatment of the wives and encourage their respect:**

- 1) The world and all things are precious but the most precious thing in the world is a virtuous woman.
- 2) The best property a man can have is a remembering tongue (about Allah), a grateful heart and a believing wife who helps him in his faith.
- 3) Fear Allah regarding women.
- 4) A Muslim must not hate his wife and if he is displeased with one bad quality of her, let him be pleased with one that is good.
- 5) The more civil and kind a Muslim is to his wife, the more perfect in faith he is.
- 6) Treat women kindly.

∴ Rule: It is clear that in the Quran, Allah the most merciful gives the muslim wife all the rights that will help her to live a respectable, happy and marriage life.

Also the Prophet (S.A.W) always reminds the muslim husband to appreciate his wife and to Love, support and treat her kindly and in his last Khutba he said "treat women kindly". In his life he was a role model of the appreciating kind husband.

## Happiness the lost jewelry !! : What is happiness ?

Happiness is not a materialistic thing that we can see, touch, count or buy.

Happiness is the feeling of internal security, mental peace and self satisfaction.

∴ 1. We can't be the source of our happiness.

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2. Only the Controller of the hearts (Allah) is the Source of happiness as He is the only One Who can bestows the <sup>internal</sup> feelings in our hearts and our spirits.

Rule: The Only way to have happiness with our husbands and wives is through the obedience of the rules of Allah that He commanded us to follow to have that feeling of happiness.

What is the proof for the above rule?

The Proof is mentioned in the



Quran in Surat (30) V. (31)

"And among His signs is that He created for you wives from among yourselves, that you may find repose in them and He has put between you affection and mercy. Verily, in that are indeed signs for a people who reflect."

This verse is clarifying two facts.

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1. Out of Allah's perfect mercy, He made (their wives) from (among themselves) so that their psychological, physical and mental abilities will be similar and in harmony, this will lead to a feeling of compatibility, peace, and security.

2. Also Allah has put affection and mercy between every husband and wife at the time of marriage.

So let's reflect and have a pause in order to <sup>understand</sup> ~~analyze~~ these two facts in details

Regarding Fact Number (2). Let everyone of us remember the time of engagement i.e. remember the feeling of happiness, Love attachment and Kindness which both feel towards each other, these beautiful feelings were the stimulus for the marriage which is always built on the affection and mercy which Allah is clarifying in that, He (Allah) is His Source.

Let's remember that Allah the Creator knows that the human spirit needs these beautiful feelings that encourage it to have a partner for the whole life i.e. the marriage bond.

∴ It is our duty to try all the means to keep that Love, affection and mercy throughout our marriage journey so that we can keep

the feeling of tranquillity, peace and harmony between each other.

And in order to keep the affection and mercy which Allah has put between the husband and wife from day one of marriage, in order to keep it, we need to understand fact number one which is: the difference of the physical, mental and psychological abilities of the man and woman.

Insha Allah, we will continue to know all the details about the abilities of the man and the woman, their rights towards each other as a husband and a wife and the practical ways for life full for affection, mercy, compassion, Love and peace

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