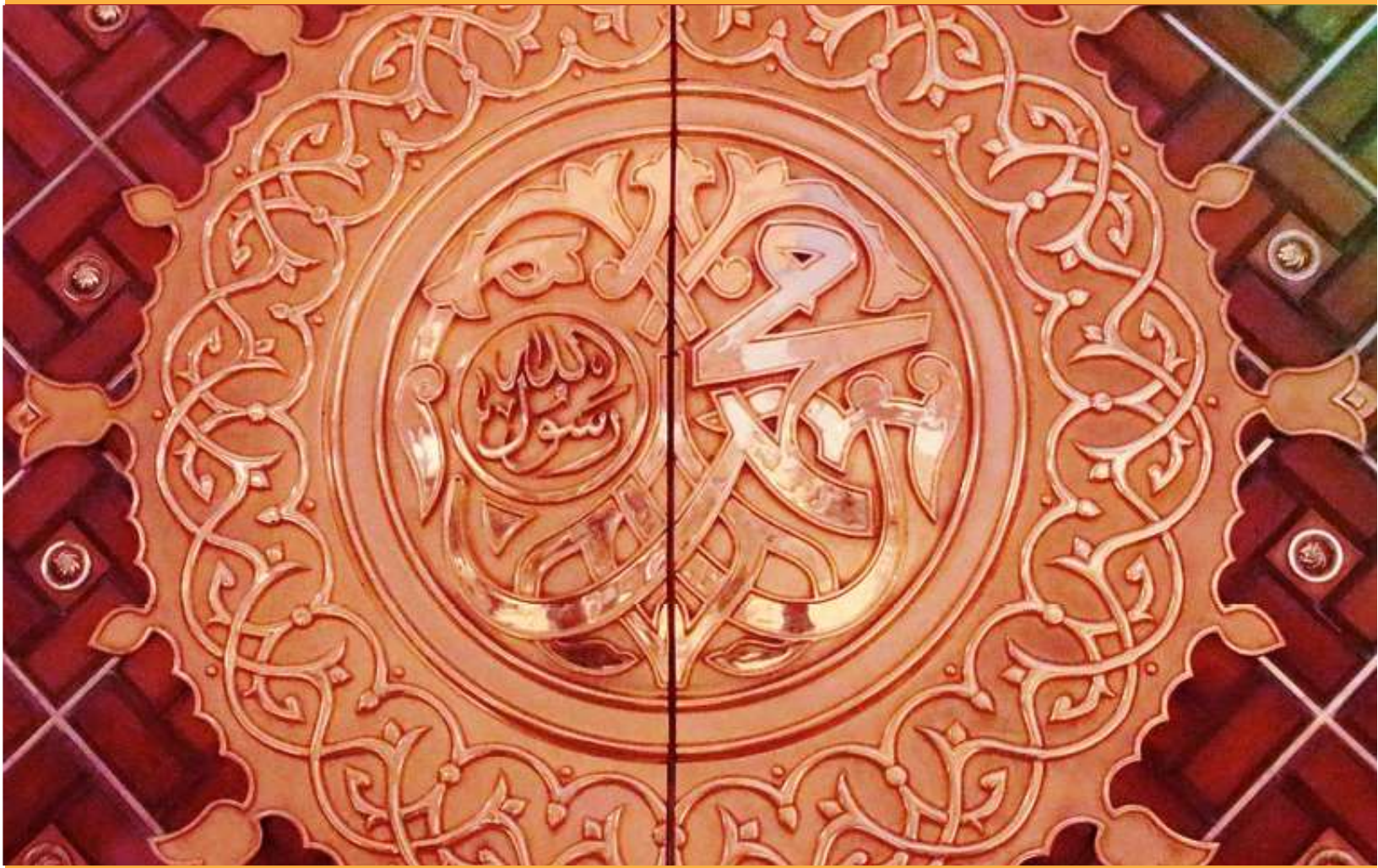




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Message from the Conference Chair



Assalamualaikum Warahamtullahi Wabarakatu,

The primary motive behind organizing this conference is to execute the commandment of Allah ﷻ to support and honor his messenger, our beloved Prophet ﷺ [7:157, 48:9]. And In order to support and honor the Prophet ﷺ, we need to know him, familiarize with the events from his life, and learn his mission. It is paramount that our youth read and learn about the Prophet ﷺ. I believe that bringing people together, especially the youth, and encouraging them to research and present various aspects from the life of the Prophet ﷺ will help spread the honor, appreciation and the true understanding of the Prophet ﷺ. Also, it will help continue his mission of conveying the message of Islam.

We received overwhelming response to the call for abstracts. Fifty-Seven abstracts were received from seven countries. The abstract review committee went through the rigorous vetting process; evaluated 39 presentations in the primaries and selected the final 20 speakers to present at the conference. We are delighted to see such high-quality content and the presentations. While It was a difficult decision for the selection committees to pick the top 20 speakers, I would like to appreciate the enthusiastic youth who could not make it to the conference; know that your reward is reserved with Allah ﷻ.

The speakers brought diverse topics to the Seerah conference. The unique way of highlighting the character of the Prophet ﷺ, the amazing incidences putting spotlight on the merciful nature of the Prophet ﷺ, the timely guidance from the Seerah to the contemporary issues such as the ongoing pandemic, the subconscious bias or the prevalence of systematic racism in some places of the world, the profound contribution of women in the life of Prophet ﷺ, and the valuable lessons on the responsible use of natural resources to safeguard the environment. The speakers did a magnificent job preparing and presenting on these topics. I pray to Allah ﷻ to increase them in their knowledge, make them model citizens of their communities, and cause them to be effective ambassadors of Islam.

The success of the online conferences is generally measured by the number of views. However, I see the success of this conference differently. The enthusiasm and the hard work of our youth to compete in the preliminary sessions, and passion of those speakers who presented at the conference, to me and our conference committees is a great success.

The Seerah of the Prophet ﷺ is full of examples of how young Sahaba supported our Prophet ﷺ, Like Ali (RA) who stood by the Prophet ﷺ when everyone of his own tribe mocked him, Arqam (RA) who provided his house which became famous as Dar Al-Arqam, the first University of Islam, and Musab bin Umair (RA) who sacrificed his wealth and his life to support the Prophet ﷺ, and many more. These examples should inspire us to read more about the Prophet ﷺ, his mission, and bring his sayings in your life and be a good ambassador of Islam.

I would like thank all the volunteers who sacrificed their time to support this conference. The time the students have spent learning about the Prophet ﷺ, the footprint it will leave on their thinking and the choices they may make from here on will be 'sawab e jariya' for all of us In Sha Allah. Special thanks to our guest speakers, Shaykh Navaid Aziz, Dr. Sabeel Ahmed, and Ustadah Noreen Tilly, I ask Allah ﷻ reward you immensely for your inspirational talks.

Wassalamu Alaikum Wr. Wb.

Conference Chair

Dr. Mujtaba Shareef, Ph.D.

Message from the Conference Co-Chair

Assalamualaikum Warahamtullahi Wabarakatu,



By the mercy of Allahﷻ, I write to you today with a sense of gratitude and achievement. I share my deep excitement about being the co-chair for the virtual Youth Seerah Conference 2021 organized by the Fussilat Academy. I hope you and your families are staying healthy and are safe during these unprecedented times. It is hard to believe that this year's conference will conclude soon after several months of planning. I pray that Allahﷻ bless us with more opportunities to organize and bring such enlightening events to our youth in the future.

We are who we are because of our faith, communities, and most notably, our belief as one ummah of Prophetﷺ. Therefore, we are on the path to leverage this universal diversity into unity and build an inclusive learning and knowledge-sharing culture to help our youth flourish. With the support of our entrenched scholars and intellectuals, we accomplish to spread the message of peace using online technologies. Our youth are attending this conference over a virtual platform. Simultaneously, some will have face-to-face interaction with their family, albeit socially distanced from the YSC organizing family. No matter the circumstance you find yourself in, there is a need for all of us to pursue an environment that offers us continuous learning and enlightenment. The value of knowledge brings personal fulfillment and career development. My dream, along with the Fussilat Academy's vision, was clear that we shall inspire the teachings of our beloved Prophetﷺ in our youth. I hope we have achieved a fraction of it through this event, only and only for the love of Allahﷻ.

To the beloved youth of our ummah, most of our problems are because of the misuse of our free time. The journey of a million miles begins with the first step. Let not the effort you have taken through participating in this conference hem and haw. Build it as a stepping stone to a never-ending journey of learning about our beloved Prophetﷺ and applying all we know in every act of our life so we can benefit not only in this world but also in the hereafter. We all have a great responsibility to give back to the communities we live in and play our part.

We hit many a rough spots during the planning phases of this conference, the members of our organizing committees always soared back to the challenges and worked harder to overcome those obstacles. I sincerely request the readers to remember the entire team and their loved ones in their supplications, including those who have participated and volunteered. I have worked closely with the whole team to make significant progress in conducting our strategic reviews, strengthening our operations, fine-tuning the execution, risk management, and financials. Every member with the right talent, experience, and deep understanding of our processes and opportunities has led to bringing out the best outcomes for this conference. I want to thank our chair and the president of Fussilat Academy, Dr. Mujtaba Shareef, for giving me this incredible opportunity and put his trust in me to be a part of this fantastic journey. We will yet again move forward from this point towards the future for many similar programs, using different delivery methods.

Every member and volunteer on our organizing team has diligently worked and is still doing to make this unique event an extraordinary learning experience for our youth and adults globally. Accorded with our team's strength and the momentum underway. I am confident that through this conference, we have inspired our youth to learn, understand, and blossom from the seerah of Prophetﷺ.

I wish everyone a great learning experience!

Kind Regards,

Javeed Iqbal Mohammed

Conference Organization Chart



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SISTER NAHEED SATTAR
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Program Schedule

TIME	SPEAKER	TITLE	LOCATION
8:00 AM	Mujtaba Shareef	Welcome Note	Calgary, Canada
8:10 AM	Zaid Mujtaba	Introduction	Calgary, Canada
HIGH SCHOOL - SESSION 1			
8:15 AM	Juveriah Rasheed Sereen	Manners - The Essence of Seerah	Hyderabad, India
	Ammar Mohiuddin	The Mercy of our Prophet Muhammad PBUH	Calgary, Canada
	Saira Fathima	Personality Traits of Prophet (PBUH)	Hyderabad, India
	Shaziya Sultana	Allah's Help: A Promise to Mankind	Calgary, Canada
	Haniya Mujtaba	The Noble Teacher and his Legacy	Calgary, Canada
	Enaas Syeda	Managing Time in the light of Seerah	Hyderabad, India
	Ayesha Numa	The Message of Wisdom (Dawah)	Calgary, Canada
9:45 AM	Dr. Sabeel Ahmed	Guest Speech	Chicago, USA
HIGH SCHOOL - SESSION 2			
10:10 AM	Huda Mazharuddin	The Special Female in Islamic History	Christchurch, New Zealand
	Hajar Talibi	Mercy of the Prophet (SAW)	Calgary, Canada
	Haroon Rafiq Shah	The Hidden Victory	Doha, Qatar
10:50 AM	Mohammed Ma'azuddin	Nasheed	Calgary, Canada
UNIVERSITY - SESSION 1			
10:55 AM	Yahia Abrini	Letter to Mankind: The Start of Revelation	Calgary, Canada
	Lateef Fatima	Effective Communication in the Light of Seerah	Hyderabad, India
	Mohammed Misbahuddin	Mercy in the face of Violence	Calgary, Canada
	Ayesha Abbas	What it Means To Be Black and Muslim	Los Angeles, USA
	Sobia Mohiuddin	Prophet Muhammad and The Legacy He Left on The Women's Empowerment Movement Today	Calgary, Canada
	Syeda Madhiya Hussaini	The Importance of Brotherhood	Fort McMurry, Canada
12:10 PM	Shaikh Navaid Aziz	Guest Speech	Calgary, Canada
12:35 PM - 1:00PM DHUHR/LUNCH BREAK			
UNIVERSITY - SESSION 2			
1:00 PM	Mohammed Asaad	The Importance of Good Character	Los Angeles, USA
	Mohammed Abdul Sami	Prophet's View and Behaviour Towards the Environment	Dammam, Saudi Arabia
	Noor Awan	A Look at The Incredible Character of Prophet Muhammad PBUH	Calgary, Canada
	Ayman Mohammed	The Interplay Between Adversity and Growth	Calgary, Canada
1:55 PM	Ustadah Noureen Tilly	Guest Speech	Calgary, Canada
2:20 PM	Kahoot Quiz		
CONCLUSION			
2:40 PM	Javeed Iqbal	Prize Distribution	
	Mujtaba Shareef	Vote of Thanks	
	Ismail Khursheed Mohammed	Dua	

Guest Speaker – Dr. Sabeel Ahmed

(Chicago area – USA)

- Executive Director, GainPeace.com

Youth Seerah Conference 2021 remains grateful to Dr. Sabeel Ahmed for making time as a guest speaker at the event.

To watch his speech at YSC2021 please visit: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=px5Oka-m4Nc>

About Dr. Sabeel Ahmed

Dr. Sabeel Ahmed is the Executive Director of the <https://www.gainpeace.com>, an outreach project of Islamic Circle of North America.

As a *director of GainPeace*, Br. Sabeel's aim is to bring out the commonalities and build bridges between people of various faith, races, and nationalities and share the beautiful faith of Islam with our fellow Americans.

Some of the *projects of GainPeace* include advertising the message of spirituality via Bus, Billboards, trains, TV, Radio and newspapers. Dr. Sabeel had given many outreach presentations and workshops in various cities in the USA on the topics of Shariah, Freedom of Speech, comparative religion and youth empowerment.

After completing his medical education from the Carribean, he decided to dedicate his time as a *full-time (daee) educator of Islam* to tackle Islamophobia and to convey the peaceful message of Islam. Dr. Sabeel is being featured on many *local and national media news outlets* including the following:

- <https://youtu.be/CzrmAWqQRIY> (ABC Chicago – Windy City Live)
- https://youtu.be/R-ufd71v_UY (WGN TV)
- <http://www.fox32chicago.com/home/242596035-story>
- <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/02/24/us/gain-peace-in-chicago-aims-to-counter-anti-muslim-sentiment.html>
- <http://www.chicagotribune.com/suburbs/naperville-sun/news/ct-nvs-muslim-mosque-open-house-st-0501-20160430-story.html>
- <http://news.medill.northwestern.edu/chicago/defender-of-the-faith-skokie-man-devotes-life-to-educating-about-islam/>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pjmRrdYFuPg>

Guest Speaker – Shaikh Navaid Aziz

(Calgary, Canada)

- Director of Public Relations - AlMaghrib Institute (USA & Canada)
- Director of Religious and Social Services for the Islamic Information Society of Calgary (Canada)
- Muslim chaplain - Calgary Police Services (Canada)

Youth Seerah Conference 2021 appreciates Shaykh Navaid Aziz for enlightening and engaging with our speakers and audience.

To watch his speech at YSC2021 please visit: https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=navaid+aziz+youth+seerah

About Shaykh Navaid Aziz

He was raised in Montreal, Quebec where he completed a diplome d'etudes collegiales in Social Sciences from Champlain College. He then proceeded to the Islamic University of Madinah, where he completed an Associate's Degree in the Arabic Language and a Bachelors in Islamic Law in 2008. In 2019 Navaid attained a certificate in Public Relations and Communications Management from Mount Royal University.

Upon returning home to Canada in 2008, Navaid began teaching for Al-Maghrib Institute, the world's largest English speaking Islamic Institute. He has now transitioned to their Director of Public Relations. In 2009 Navaid began his work as a family and youth counsellor. It was also during this time that he established himself as a sought-after public speaker. He has lectured across five continents and over 20 countries thus far.

Shaykh Navaid Aziz has been featured on many *local and national media news outlets* including the following:

- <https://www.cbc.ca/player/play/911621699506>
- <https://theintercept.com/2016/04/07/a-better-approach-to-counter-violent-extremism/>
- <https://globalnews.ca/news/2317401/muslims-engage-okanagan-audiences-curious-about-the-religion/>
- <https://calgaryherald.com/news/national/extremism-wasnt-a-reality-until-this-happened>

If you are still curious and want to learn more about Shaykh Navaid Aziz, please visit <https://navaidaziz.com/about>

Guest Speaker – Ustadha Noureen Tilly

(Calgary, Canada)

- Founder of Noor Quran and Islamic Studies Academy – Calgary, Canada
- Chaplain at the University of Calgary – Canada

Youth Seerah Conference 2021 thanks Ustadha Noureen Tilly for her rousing and inspiring speech at the event.

To watch his speech at YSC2021 please visit: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yoBn6RlrZ_s

About Ustadha Noureen Tilly

Noureen Tilly who was born and raised in Calgary, Alberta is an Islamic educator, mentor and speaker.

At present, apart from being involved with many Mosques and Islamic Centres in Calgary, she is the Lead teacher of the Al Noor Quran and Islamic Studies Academy founded by her in 2007, an instructor for Ilm intensive, and a teacher of Quranic Exegesis for the Dar al Tajweed institution. She is also multilingual and fluently speaks both French and English.

She obtained certification in higher Arabic and Islamic studies from the Al-Madania Islamic Seminary in Buffalo, New York where she graduated with distinction in 2001.

She continues to serve various communities across Canada and has a keen interest in building community, inspiring positive change and empowering people of all ages. She is also completing her certification of becoming a health coach from the Health Coach Institute in Idaho. Noureen Tilly enjoys skiing, swimming, biking and spending quality time with her family.

Some Facts About the Conference



Figure 1. The Word Cloud of Word Frequency Query Results

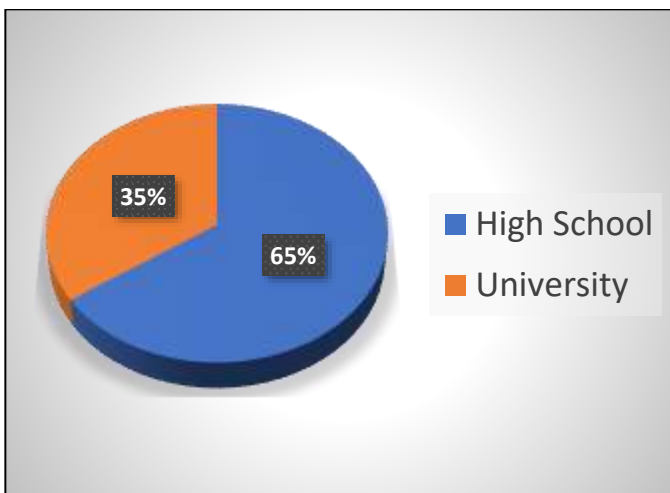


Figure 2. The speaker participation from High School and University categories

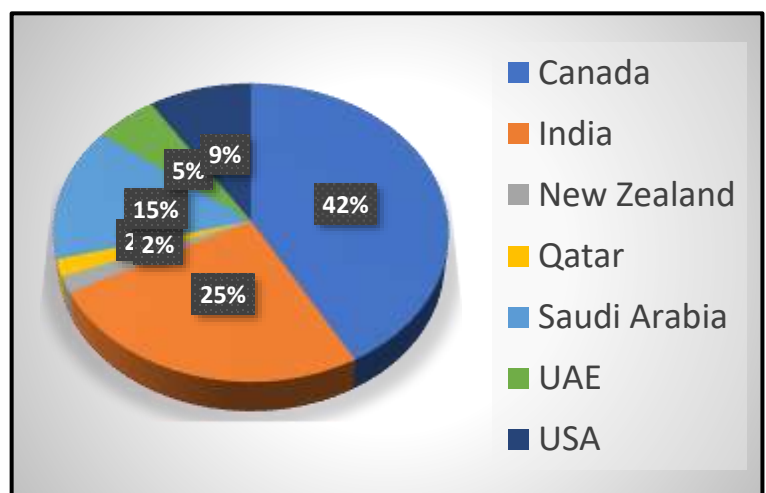
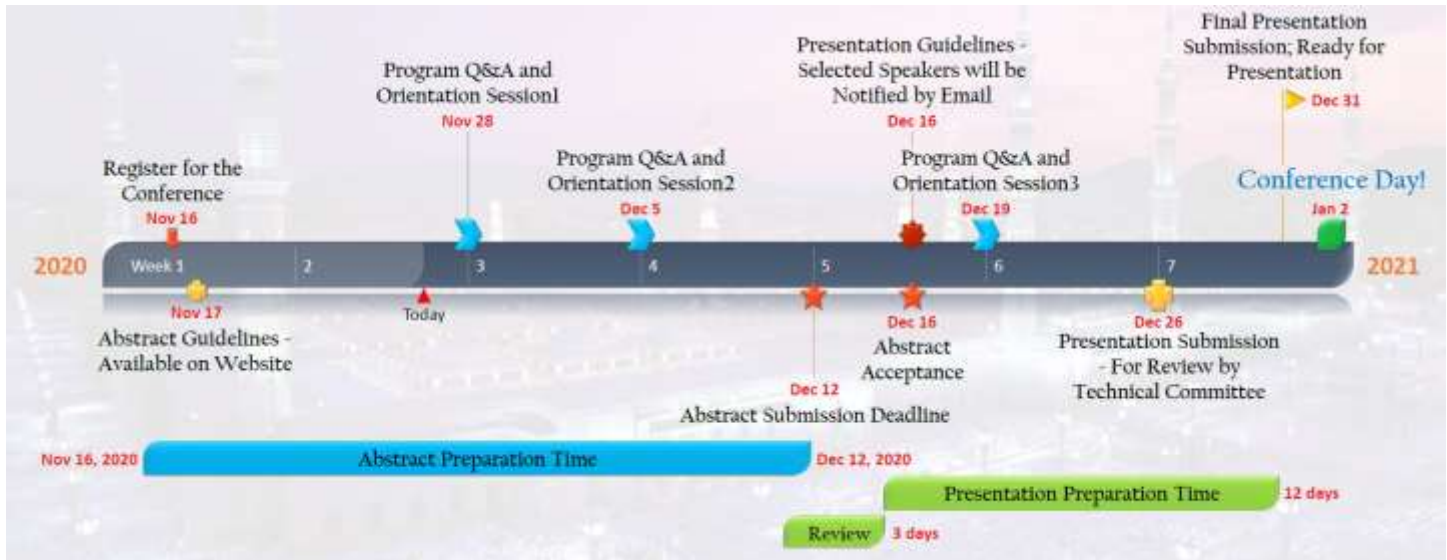


Figure 3. The speaker participation from Seven Countries

Conference Timelines at a Glance



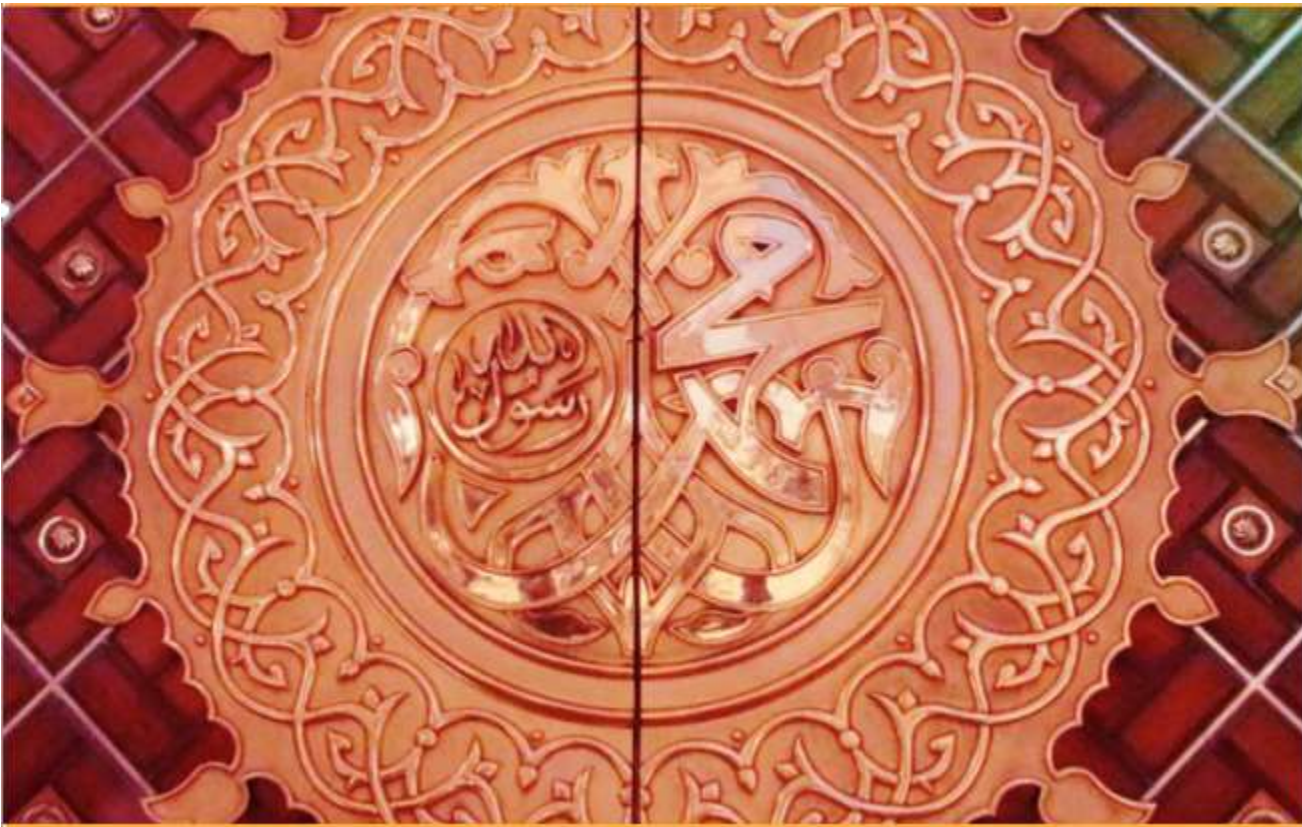
Abstract Selection Criteria (Rubrics)

Abstract Criteria / Points	Points			
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Introductory Statement Introductory statement present and articulated well	Not present	Not clear does not reflect the topic	Clear but not engaging	Clear, concise, engaging; Describes, connects the topic to literature and purpose of work
Contents Contents of are appropriately covered and written clearly	Not present	Unclear; contains irrelevant or unimportant information	Clear but not concise; Might contain irrelevant or unimportant information; lacks specifics	Clear, concise, and relevant
Importance Importance of topic is emphasized	Importance is not present	Importance is partially mentioned	Importance is mentioned but articulate or clearly stated or connected to contents	Importance is mentioned clearly with good connection with contents
Relevancy and Benefits Relevancy and benefits of the topics are clearly stated	Relevancy and benefits completely absent	Relevancy and benefits mentioned by not directly related to topic	Relevancy and benefits mentioned, related to topic but not clearly stated	Relevancy and benefits mentioned, related to topic but clearly stated
Title Title is relevant and interesting	Not present	Title does not reflect the content	Title clearly reflects contents	Title is relevant and interesting
Authenticity Information presented is authentic and non-controversial	Even if a single statement appears non-authentic, the abstract should be rejected			Authentic
Professional Writing Writing up to the standards	Poor English, grammatical errors, inappropriate verbs and sentence building, spelling mistakes	Many grammatical errors, typos but they do not impede understanding; inappropriate verb tense	Few grammatical errors or typos; Mixed verb tense	Writing appropriate for the level; Defines all acronyms at first use; Appropriate verb tense (present/past tense when talking about the topic)

Prize Winners



STUDENT PRESENTATIONS

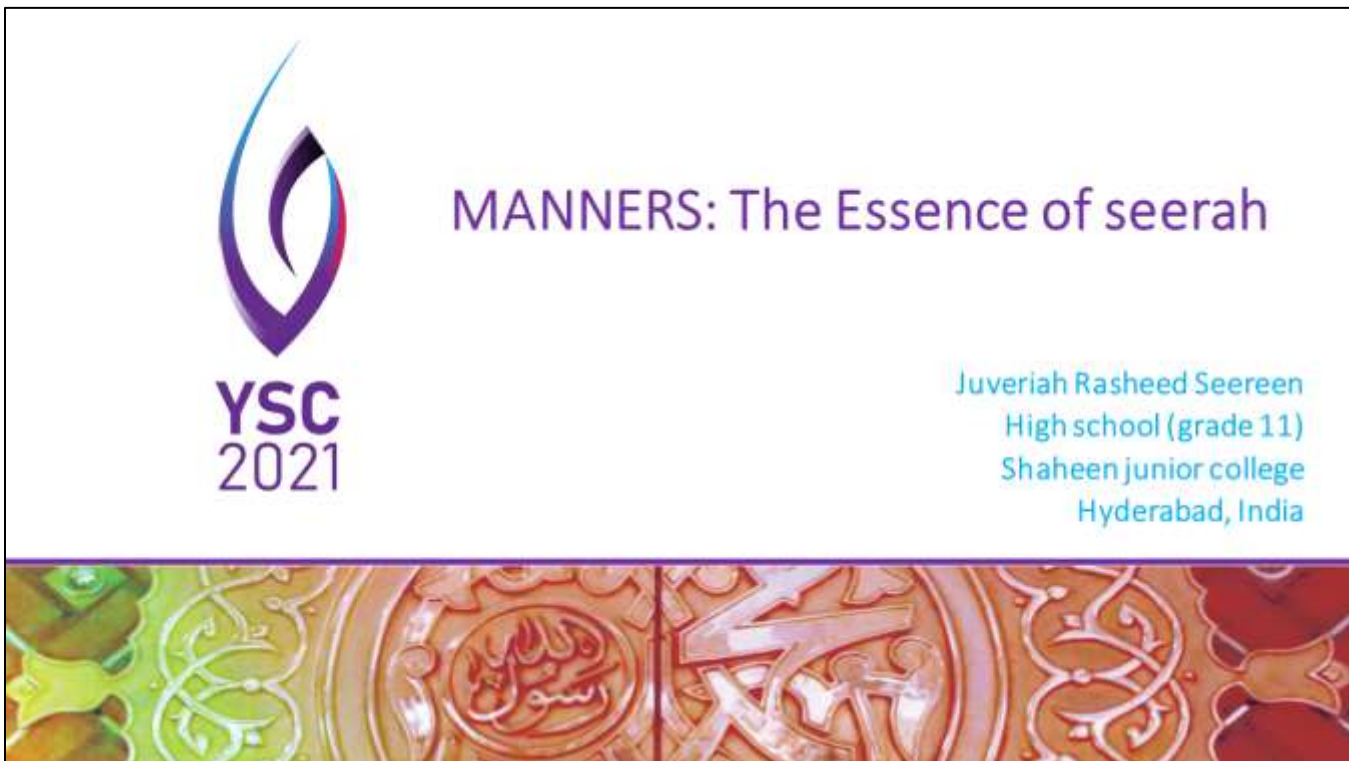


Manners: The Essence of Seerah – By Juveriah Rasheed Seereen

Abstract:

Akhlaq/Manners is derived from an Arabic term “KHULQ” that refers to the practice of Virtue, morality and manners. The holy Quran and the Prophet ﷺ has given much importance to this attribute Allah ﷻ praised his Messenger (pbuh) in the holy Quran by saying “and verily, you oh Mohammed (pbuh) are on an exalted standard of character” (Al-Qalam 68:4). As Narrated by Abdullah bin Amr “the best among you are the ones best in their character (Al-Bukhari 6035). In Brief there were several instances in the life of Prophet ﷺ which reflects this term. Islam is not a ritual it is a complete way of life, Islam places great emphasis on manners and habits, it believes in the moral responsibility of each individual towards other. Prophet Mohammed ﷺ was gentle, considerate and sympathetic even to his enemies.

The importance of good manners is the basics of our day to day life; an ill mannered person can no way be successful. Since the Prophet ﷺ is a role model for the world to be followed. Allah (swt) sent him for the purpose of perfecting good morals and manners. Allah ﷻ states “indeed in the messenger of Allah (Mohammed (pbuh)) you have a good example to follow, for him who hopes in (the meeting with) Allah ﷻ and the last day and remembers Allah ﷻ much (Al-Ahzab 33:21). In Today’s world when the Ummah is bleeding and the world is crying for help we should stand firm and united to clear misconceptions like religious intolerance with our moral values. We need to work together to combat oppression, bloodshed, and corruption and make world a better place to live in.





AIM- Humble attempt

- To bring out clearly the universal aspects of the prophet (pbuh) message
- His concern for the entire man kind
- The white and the black
- The east and the west
- The classes and the masses
- The men and women
- The rulers and the ruled
- The learned and the ignorant



INTRODUCTION

- 2 concepts from Islamic perspective
 - 1.AQLAQ (MORALITY)
 - 2.ADAAB (MANNERS)

The word "manners" is derived from the Urdu word "aqlaq" and Arabic word "qulq"

- QULQ: practice of virtue, morality and manners



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وَإِنَّكَ لَعَلَىٰ خُلُقٍ عَظِيمٍ

AND INDEED,
YOU ARE OF A GREAT MORAL
CHARACTER.

Qur'an 68:4



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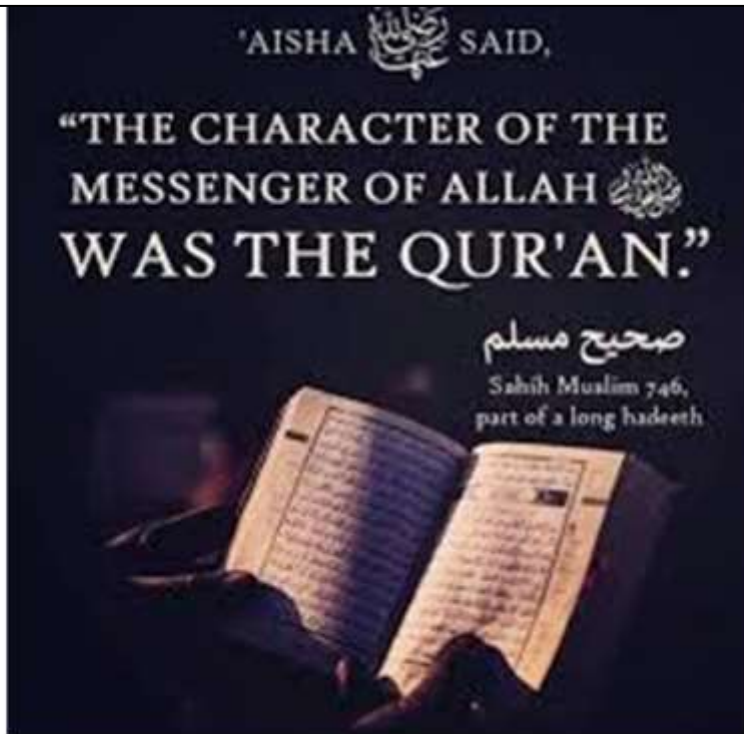
Narrated Masruq (R.A): We were sitting with Abdullah bin Amr who was narrating to us (Hadith): He said, "Allah's Messenger (S.A.W) was neither a Fahish nor a Mutafahhish, and he used to say, 'The best among you are the best in character (having good manners)'".

(Sahih Bukhari, Hadees 6035)

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'AISHA  SAID,
"THE CHARACTER OF THE
MESSENGER OF ALLAH 
WAS THE QUR'AN."

صحيح مسلم
Sahih Muslim 746,
part of a long hadeeth





FEW NOTABLE TRAITS

1. Excellent, complete and sound intellect
2. Sacrifice
3. Sincerity
4. Good morals, ethics companionship
5. Politeness
6. Safeguarded

Hadith on Sincerity : Allah judges hearts and deeds, not wealth or looks

Abu Huraira reported: The Messenger of Allah, **Muhammad** peace and blessings be upon him, said, "Verily, **Allah** does not look at your appearance or wealth, but rather he looks at your **hearts** and **actions**."

Source: Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 2564

Grade: *Sahih* (authentic) according to Muslim

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7. Minded language
8. Excellence in the act of worship

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**SHOULD
I NOT
be a
THANKFUL
SERVANT?**

”

When Aisha, radi Allahu 'anha saw the Prophet praying for so long that his feet became swollen, she said to him:

"O Messenger of Allah, why do you undergo so much hardship despite the fact that Allah has pardoned for you your earlier and later sins?"

He responded: "Afa la ahlana abdun shakran? - Should I not be a thankful servant?"

(Bukhari)

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7. No greed
8. Kindness and compassion



Abu Qatadi reported: I saw the Messenger of Allaah (sallAllaahu alayhi wa sallam) saying the prayer while he was carrying Umama, daughter of Zainab, daughter of the Messenger of Allaah (sallAllaahu alayhi wa sallam), and Abu'l-As b. al-Rabi'. When he stood up, he took her up and when he prostrated he put her down, Yahya said: Malik replied in the affirmative.

No. 1108

Abu Qatada al-Ansari reported: I saw the Prophet (sallAllaahu alayhi wa sallam) leading the people in prayer with Umima, daughter of Abu'l-As and Zainab, daughter of the Prophet of Allaah (sallAllaahu alayhi wa sallam), on his shoulder. When he bowed, he put her down, and when he got up after prostration, he lifted her again.

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Abu Qatada reported: I saw the Messenger of Allaah (sallAllaahu alayhi wa sallam) leading the people in prayer with Umama daughter of Abu'l-As on his neck; and when he prostrated he put her down.

No. 1110

11. Generosity
12. Truthfulness
13. Honesty
14. Facial expression
15. reliable quora.com





16. Bravery and courage

'You should have seen him on the Day of Badr! We sought refuge with the Messenger of God (ﷺ) behind his protection. He was the closest among us to the enemy. On that Day, the Messenger of God (ﷺ) was the strongest one among us.' (Ahmed #654)

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RELEVANCE

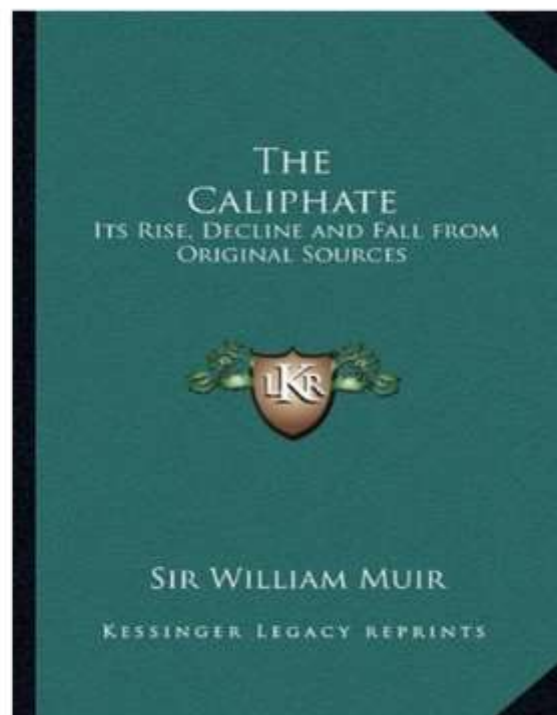
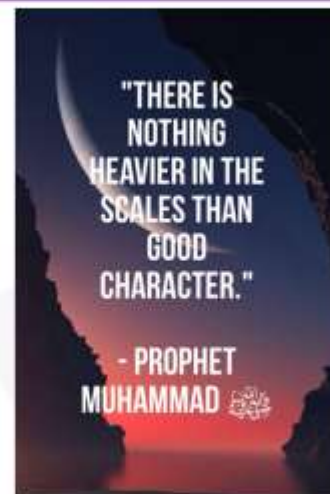
- Muslims contribute over 1/5th of humanity today
- There are about 1.2 billion Muslims all over the world
- There are around 53 Muslim states with over 8 million Muslims living in these countries
- These Muslim states occupy around 23% of the land area of the world
- Majority are found in Asia and Africa
- Although in east and central Europe Albania 73% Muslim majority
- Islam is 2nd largest religion in the world to Christianity



MISCONCEPTIONS

- Islam is not a ritual or culture it is way of life
- Religious intolerance
- Islamophobia
- Jihad
- Religion spread on the tip of a sword
- Oppression
- Bloodshed
- Immoral

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HOW CAN WE DO THAT?

- Following the Quran
- Walking on the steps of the prophet
- Modernization within the bounds of shariah and decency
- Education with intent of good
- Unification of the ummah
- Growing sympathy and empathy for both Muslim and non-muslim brothers and sisters
- Sanity advises against jumping to extreme conclusions.



CONCLUSION

1. Community had to propagate the message
2. Community itself is in disorder
3. Books are full minds are empty
4. Mouths are open minds and hearts are shut
5. Negative modernization is taking place eroding the divine message
6. Muslim community lost moral and universal character and values
7. Confined the prophet (pbuh) to religious boundaries



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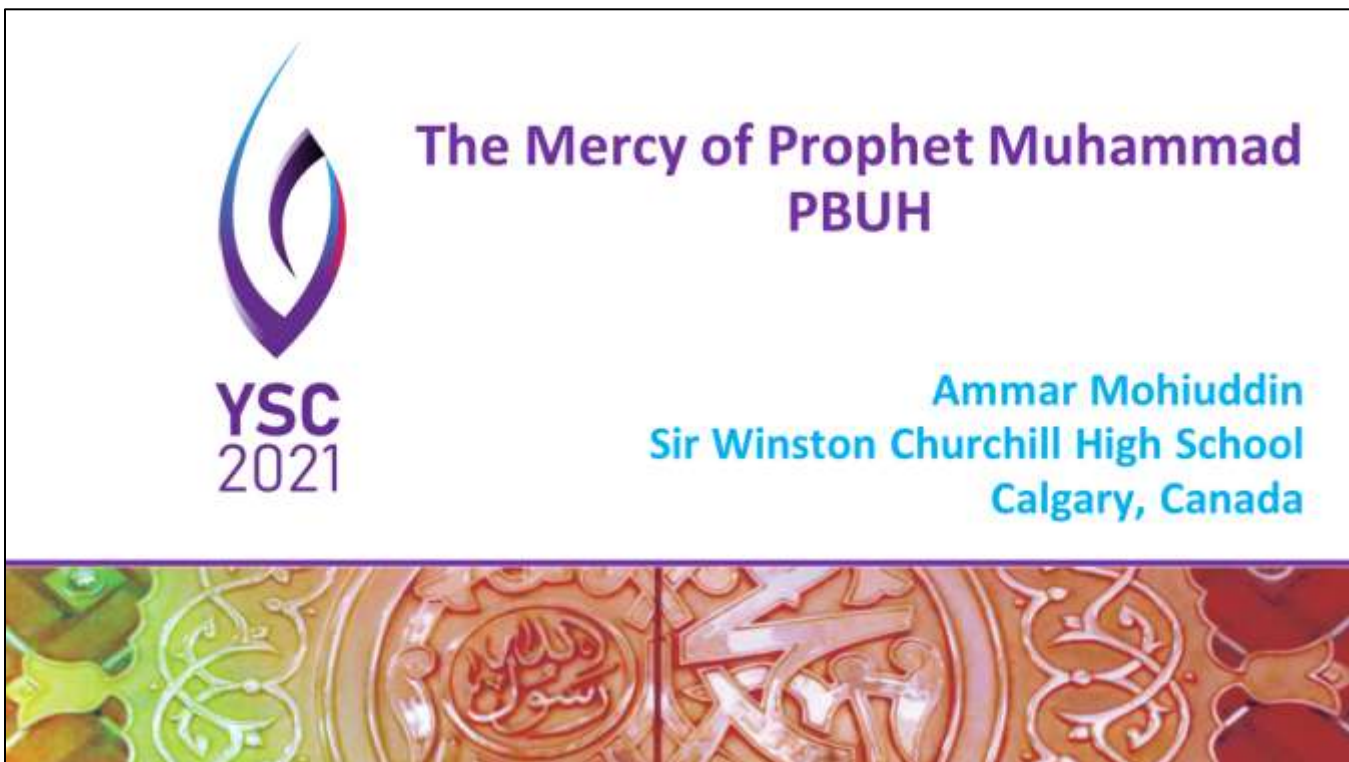
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The Mercy of Prophet Muhammad PBUH: By Ammar Mohiuddin

Abstract:

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was known for many of his attributes and characteristics, one of them being showing mercy to others. This act of his was appreciated and acknowledged by not only the Muslim Ummah, but the non-muslims as well. One of the greatest stories that people can think of when it comes to the Prophet's ﷺ mercy is the incident that took place in the city of Taif, and this is the story that I shall be focusing on. When the Prophet ﷺ approached the people of Taif to preach the message of Islam, they responded in a very harsh way. They kept throwing stones at the Prophet ﷺ and his companion till they left the place. In a world like this, if an individual was tortured or hurt in such a way, they would make sure to seek justice and bring punishment upon the person whom they were inflicted by, but instead, the Prophet ﷺ forgave the people of Taif and made dua for their prosperity. He was given the choice to crush the people and the city between two mountains, but Prophet Muhammad ﷺ chose to forgive. This is one of the many things Islam teaches us, but it is important that everyone remembers and implements on it. This story not only shows the character of our Prophet ﷺ, but it helps us to reflect on our actions, allowing us to earn the greater reward promised by Allah ﷻ by forgiving others.





وَمَا أَرْسَلْنَاكَ إِلَّا رَحْمَةً لِّلْعَالَمِينَ

We have sent you 'O Prophet'
only as a mercy for the whole
world
Qur'an 21:107



The
Incident
of Taif



Key
Message
for Us



The City of Taif

- Taif was the closest, largest city from Makkah
- It was impossible for the Prophet PBUH to stay in Makkah
- He went to the City of Taif to preach the message of Islam



Da'wah in Taif

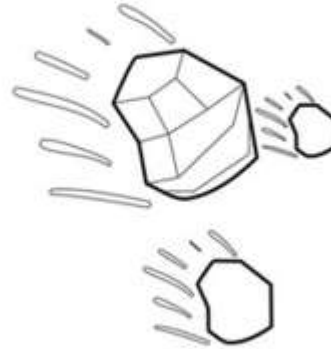
- The prophet presented himself to the leaders of Taif
- The leaders rejected the message
- Even though Uhud was worse physically, Ta'if was worse psychologically.





Da'wah in Taif

- Potential of some people converting to Islam
- Leaders of Taif panicked and sent a mob against the Prophet PBUH
- The mob stoned and hit out the Prophet PBUH and Zayd Ibn Harithah RA out of the city



After the Rejection

- The Prophet PBUH and Zayd RA found shelter under a tree
- The Prophet PBUH makes a famous Dua
- An interesting conversation takes place between the Prophet PBUH and 'Addas





Jibreel and Malak-ul-Jibbaal

- Hadith from Bukhari
- Angel Jibreel comes down with Angel of Mountain to be at the Prophet's disposal
- Prophet prays for the wellbeing of the People of Taif



What Should We Take Away From This?



1. Perfect Example of Tawhid



1. Perfect Example of Tawhid

- Tawhid - Belief in the oneness of God
- The Prophet PBUH thought that maybe his fault/wrongdoing made Allah punish him
- He cared about the pleasure of Allah, not his suffering





2. Staying True to Your Religion



2. Staying True to Your Religion

- Prophet PBUH said “Bismillah” before eating in front of Addas
- This led to a conversion with Addas
- We as Muslims should be open about our Faith
- Never be shy/embarrassed to talk about Islam





3. Forgiving for the Sake of Allah



3. Forgiving for the Sake of Allah

- "NO - don't crush them. Perhaps not them, but their offspring will convert to Islam."
- The Prophet PBUH still had the mercy to forgive, regardless of being severely injured and humiliated
- The Prophet forgave, but also made Dua





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(Peace Be Upon You and God's Mercy and Blessings)



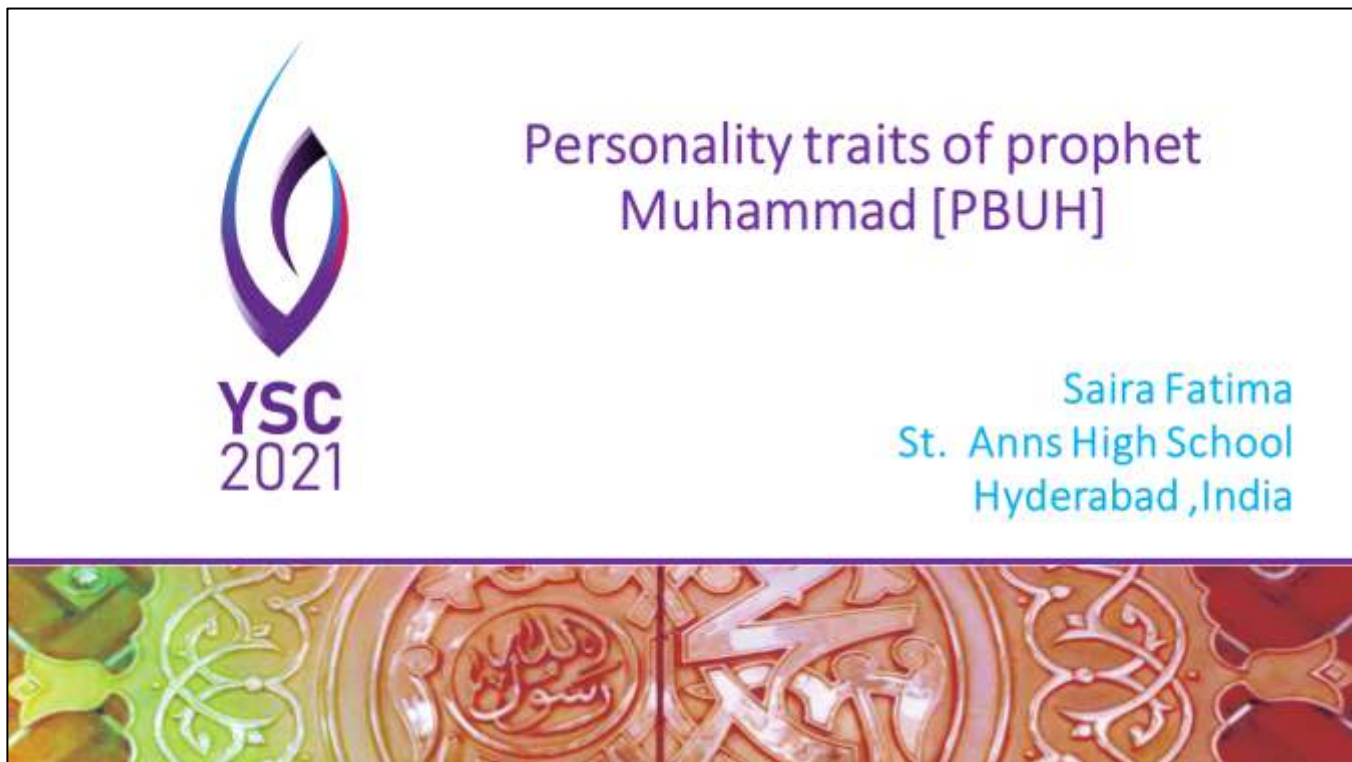
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Personality Traits of Prophet Muhammad PBUH – By Saira Fatima

Abstract:

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was the man of best social attributes; he was an exemplary man with the best of character. Every action that he undertook in life represented the highest morals and manners a person could exhibit. In this presentation I will cover the major characteristic traits of our beloved prophet ﷺ, for instance how he dealt with the people around him with love and patience despite constantly receiving hate from them, In addition I will also cover the reasons for which we must turn towards the personality of our prophet ﷺ. Moreover I will explain why it's ideal for a Muslim to introduce about the character of our Prophet ﷺ to the world. Prophet Muhammed ﷺ strongly emphasized that Muslims should have good behavior and character with others. It shows the importance of behavior and character in his teaching, thus it's important for us to know about the personality of our Prophet ﷺ so that we can implement those traits in our life. if we Muslims follow both the Quran and the sunnah then we would not deviate from the right path. This can only be achieved when we equip ourselves with the knowledge about our Prophet ﷺ. We must spread the knowledge regarding the Sunnah so that more and more people can abide to it. No matter whichever phase of life we are in we must turn towards the personality of our Prophet ﷺ and gain guidance from it.

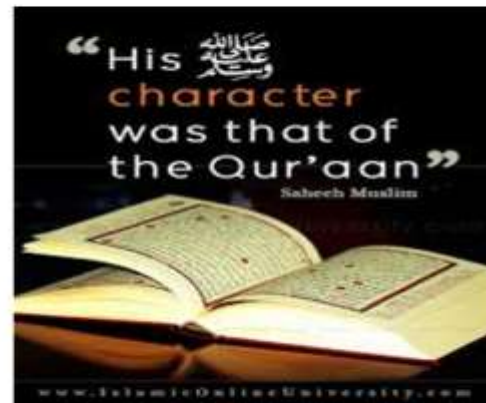




Character of Rasoolullah S.A.W

وَإِنَّكَ لَعَلَىٰ خُلُقٍ عَظِيمٍ

And indeed, you are of a great moral
Character [Al- Qalam 68:4]



HONESTY of Muhammad PBUH

➤ His pristine honesty
indicates the truthfulness
in his message

For how would the people believe ,
if they see him indulging in deceitful
practices.

➤ He was looked upon as an impartial judge





His Perseverance

Muhammad [PBUH]
perseverance in preaching
Islam amidst the negativity
and hate is impeccable

- Was **consistent** in his mission
- Seek help from Allah
- He never let the difficulties disrupt his FAITH
- Was **considerate** towards those who were arrogant to him



Adapting the character of Muhammad [S.A.W]

Presenting Islam in the society

HOW (?)

character
plays an
important role

- People will look upon our character and manners more than what we are speaking about
- This way Dawah can be more efficient





Adapting the character of Muhammad [S.A.W]

ROLE
MODEL for
the Ummah

We must invest
ourselves to look
more into the Seerah,

لَقَدْ كَانَ لَكُمْ فِي رَسُولِ اللَّهِ أُسْوَةٌ
حَسَنَةٌ لِّمَن كَانَ يَرْجُوا اللَّهَ وَالْيَوْمَ
الْآخِرَ وَذَكَرَ اللَّهَ كَثِيرًا.

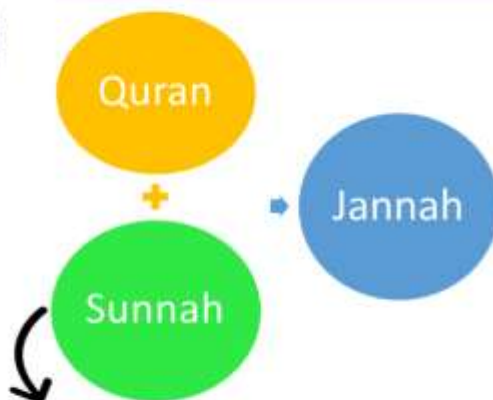
Surely there was a good example for
you in the Messenger of Allah, for all
those who look forward to Allah and
the Last Day and remember Allah
much. [surah Al Ahzab, ayah 21]

To call Muhammad saw as
role model means to

- RESPECT Him
- LEARN about his
teachings and,
- To ACT upon it



Adapting the character of Muhammad [S.A.W]



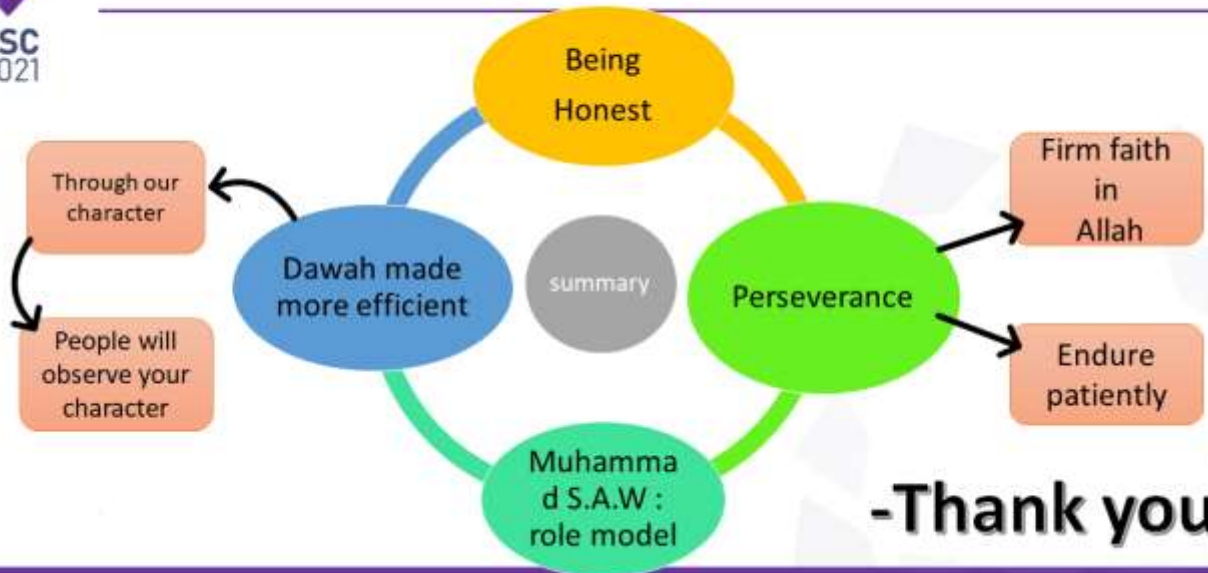
To follow , and look
upon our prophet as
our role model

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اطِّيعُوا اللَّهَ وَاطِّيعُوا الرَّسُولَ وَأُولِي
الْأَمْرِ مِنْكُمْ فَإِنْ تَنَازَعْتُمْ فِي شَيْءٍ فَرُدُّوهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ
وَالرَّسُولِ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ ذَلِكَ
خَيْرٌ وَأَحْسَنُ تَأْوِيلًا

(4:59)Believers! Obey Allah and obey
the Messenger, and those from among
you who are invested with authority;
and then if you were to dispute
among yourselves about anything
refer it to Allah and the Messenger if
you indeed believe in Allah and the
Last Day; that is better and more
commendable in the end.
[surah Nisa, ayah 59]



Conclusion



Allah's Help: A Promise to Mankind – By Shazia Sultana

Abstract:

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was a normal human being like all of us. But one of the things that made him stand out and different from all of us is that he was one of the most righteous, sincere people in the world. He has the best personality and manners and we should all strive to follow him. My presentation will be talking about some of the personality traits the Prophet ﷺ had and how he acted towards people. I will also explain the importance of knowing his manners and personality and acting like him. Prophet Muhammad's ﷺ manners and personality are very important to know about. If you act like him and follow in his footsteps, not only will you be going on the straight path and be a good Muslim, you will also be doing the sunnahs of the Prophet ﷺ and gaining good deeds. Being a truthful, sincere person is one of the benefits of following and knowing the Prophet's ﷺ manners and personality. The more you know about him, the more you act like him. And the more you act like him, you become a better person and you get more good deeds. So learning about the manners and personality of the Prophet ﷺ is very important and beneficial to us.



Allah's help - A promise to mankind

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Agenda:

- Best help is Allah's help
- Evidences of Allah's help from the life of Prophet Muhammed(PBUH)
- How to get Allah's help
- Take away from today's discussion



Allah's help - A promise to mankind

- How often do we turn to Allah when anything befalls us ?
- Best help is Allah's Help
- **Prophet Muhammad PBUH said:**

When you ask, ask Allah and when you seek aid, seek Allah's aid.

Tirmidhi -2516



Allah's help - A promise to mankind

Allah says:

إِنْ يَنْصُرْكُمُ اللَّهُ فَلَا غَالِبَ لَكُمْ ۚ وَإِنْ يَخَذِلْكُمْ فَمَنْ ذَا الَّذِي يَنْصُرُكُمْ مِنْ
بَعْدِهِ ۗ وَعَلَى اللَّهِ فَلْيَتَوَكَّلِ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ

If Allah helps you none shall prevail over you; if He forsakes you then who can help you? It is in Allah that the believers should put their trust.

Surah Aal-e-Imran Aayah:160



Allah's help - A promise to mankind

Evidence:

- The Quraysh were alarmed by the news of emigration of the Muslims.
- Almighty Allah sent down Angel Jibreel (A.S.) to reveal the Quraysh's evil plot.
- Ali (R.A.) was made to sleep in Prophet's(SAW) bed.
- Prophet(SAW) recited the verses of the Noble Qur'an.
- " Silence Abu Bakr! What do you think of those two with whom the Third is Allah."



Allah's help - A promise to mankind

Battle of Badr:

- Unavailability of weapons.
- Prophet Muhammad(SAW) and his companions believed only on Allah's promise.
- Allah's help came in the form of 1000 angels.

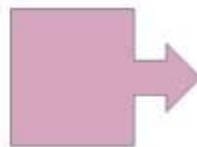


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How to get Allah's Help?

Tawheed

Seek Help



Get Allah's Help



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Aayah:

إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ

“You alone we worship, and from You alone, we seek help.” [Surah Al Fatiha Aayah 4]



Allah's help - A promise to mankind

Summary-

- Allah's help is near.
- Seek help only from Allah.
- Become helpers of Allah and be from the party of Allah.

Hadith:

The Prophet Muhammad PBUH said:

“Whoever helps his brother in his time of need Allah will be there in his time of need.”

Sahih Muslim



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يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِن تَنْصُرُوا اللَّهَ يَنْصُرْكُمْ وَيُثَبِّتْ أَقْدَامَكُمْ (47:7)

O Believers, if you aid Allah, He will come to your aid
and will plant your feet firmly.



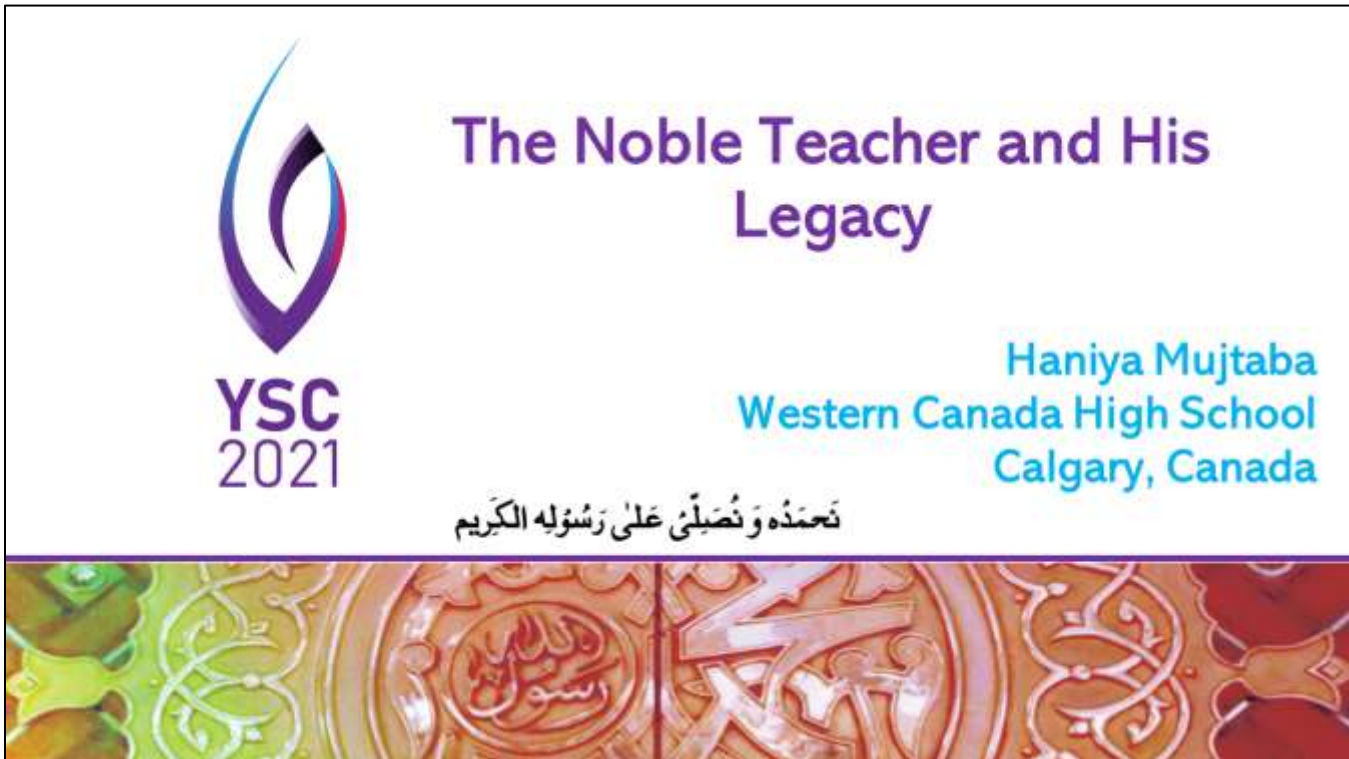
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The Noble Teacher and His Legacy – By Haniya Mujtaba

Abstract:

The success of a teacher is demonstrated by the achievements of his students. Since the Prophet ﷺ was the greatest teacher and his companions were his students, we see the legacy of the Prophet ﷺ in them. We can learn from how the Prophet ﷺ interacted with the Sahabas and taught them under various circumstances. In this presentation, I will talk about the people of Suffah. These people were dedicated to learning from the Prophet ﷺ who took special care of them. For example, I will mention Abu Hurairah (RA) who dedicated all his time after he converted to Islam being taught by the Prophet ﷺ, and then he passed on the knowledge. Zul-Janadeen (RA) was willing to give up his life for the sake of Allah ﷻ. Ka'ab Ibn-Maalik (RA) refused to lie and make up an excuse even when the consequences were severe when he missed going to Tabuk expedition. In the same expedition, Abu-Dhar Ghafarri (RA) traveled alone through the desert to join Prophet ﷺ when he missed going with the group. These stories of the Sahaba are important because we learn the way the Prophet ﷺ taught the Sahaba and how they applied the teachings to their lives. These mentioned Sahaba were some of the most dedicated followers of the Prophet ﷺ. They were all human beings like us and prone to mistakes, but they tried their best and, today, because of the teachings of the Prophet ﷺ, they are the best Muslims we look up to.



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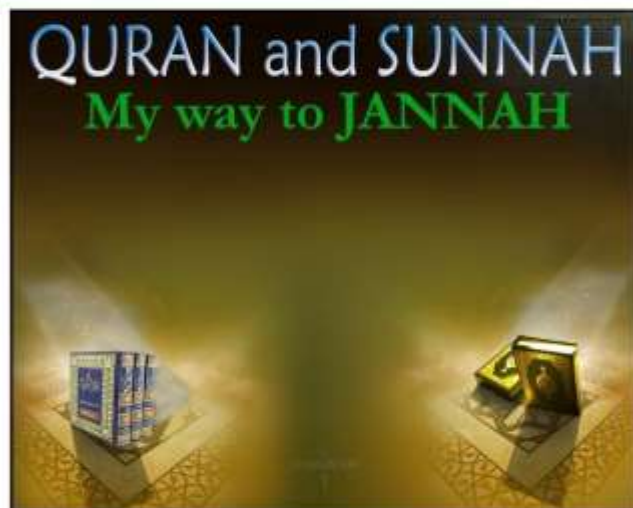
The Main Theme

The teachings of the Prophet ﷺ and how the Sahabas applied it to their life and how they became successful



Introduction

- The legacy of the Prophet ﷺ
 - Quran
 - His teachings to the Sahabas
- If we reach this legacy we can reach success





The purpose of sending the Prophet ﷺ

- Teach the Quran
- Teach his wisdom
- Purify from sins and bad characters

The Prophet ﷺ gave great importance to these

لَقَدْ مَنَّ اللَّهُ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ إِذْ بَعَثَ فِيهِمْ رَسُولًا مِّنْ أَنفُسِهِمْ يَتْلُوا عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِهِ وَيُزَكِّيهِمْ وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَإِنْ كَانُوا مِن قَبْلُ لَفِي ضَلَالٍ مُّبِينٍ

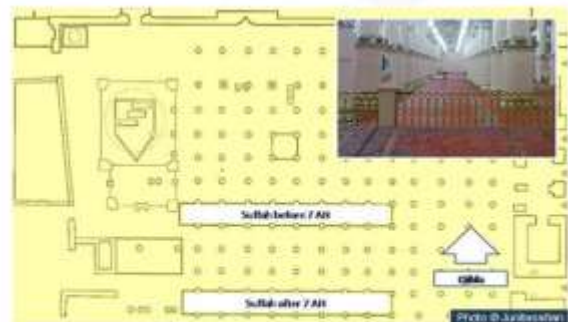
Certainly did Allah confer [great] favor upon the believers when He sent among them a Messenger from themselves, reciting to them His verses and purifying them and teaching them the Book and wisdom, although they had been before in manifest error.

All'Iman 3:164



What is As-Suffah

- As-Suffah is the place in the back portion of the Prophet ﷺ Masjid (Masjid un Nabawi). It had a covering for a roof
- The covering is called As-Suffah in Arabic





Who are the Ashab As-Suffah



- Some people had no family
- They could not afford their own accommodations
- Others desired to neglect all worldly objects and completely dedicate their lives to Allah (s.w.t) and his Messenger ﷺ



Why talk about the As-Suffah

- All the Sahabas were Extraordinary people
- The people of Suffah had a special status because they followed the example of the Prophet ﷺ - dedicated his life to Allah
 - The Prophet ﷺ had a special love for them
 - Allah gave special commands to spend more time with them (6:52) (18:28)





Encouragement from the Prophet ﷺ

Hadith: The Prophet ﷺ said to the As-Suffah:

- Who wants to go to the market and bring 2 she-camels?
- Whoever learns verses of the Quran, it is better than a she-camel

(Abu Dawud)



➤ The Prophet ﷺ used to encourage the people of Suffah to keep worshipping Allah and gaining knowledge



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Teaching #1

Quran - "Allah will raise up the people who have knowledge"

[58:11]

Hadith - Narrated by Abu Hurairah (ra) "When a man dies all his good deeds come to an end except three:

- Ongoing charity
- Beneficial knowledge
- A righteous son who prays for him."

(Nasa'i)

Abu Hurairah رضي الله عنه

- Abu Hurairah (ra) recognized this:
 - Spent his life learning from the Prophet ﷺ and passing the knowledge on
 - Therefore, we gain many wisdom of the Prophet ﷺ by the narrations of Abu Hurairah (ra)



Teaching #2

Quran - "Go forth, whether light or heavy, and strive with your wealth and your lives in the cause of Allah. That is better for you, if you only knew." [9:41]

Hadith- Abu Dar Gafarri narrated "I asked the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) Which action is the most excellent?' He replied, "Faith in Allah and Jihad in His Cause." (مُتَّفَقٌ عَلَيْهِ)



Abu Dar Gafarri رضي الله عنه

- This influenced Abu Dar Ghafarri to do a long journey through the dessert alone with a sick camel during the Tabuk expedition



Teaching #3

Quran - "The repentance accepted by Allah is only for those who do wrong in ignorance [or carelessness] and then repent soon after. It is those to whom Allah will turn in forgiveness, and Allah is ever Knowing and Wise." [4:17]

Hadith- Anas bin malik (ra) narrated that the Prophet ﷺ said "Every son of Adam sins, and the best of the sinners are the repentant." (ibnmajah)



Ka'ab ibn Malik رضي الله عنه

- For example, Ka'ab ibn malik asked for forgiveness as soon as he realized his mistake of not going to the jihad
- The Prophet ﷺ taught that who ever asks for forgiveness is loved by Allah and the best sinner
- The Sahabas realized that everyone makes mistake, but we should ask for forgiveness as soon as we realize



In Conclusion...

- The Prophet ﷺ was sent:
 - Teach us Quran
 - Teach his wisdom
- The Prophet ﷺ was a human being but had a special status
- Sahabas are just like us
- They followed the teachings of Prophet ﷺ and reached success





The legacy

- The examples of his legacy:
 - Dedicated his life to Allah
 - Hadith: "my legacy is الْعِلْمُ" (Abi Dawud)
 - جهاد (Jahada): try your best - the Prophet ﷺ tried his best at every angle of his life



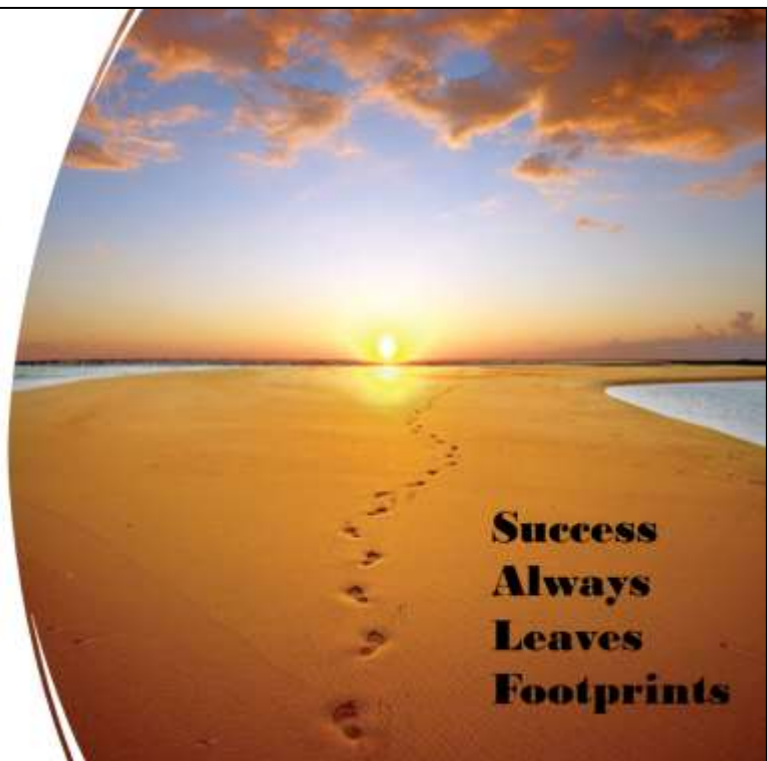
How we can apply it

- Most important – recognize our mistakes

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُغَيِّرُ مَا بِقَوْمٍ حَتَّى يُغَيِّرُوا مَا
بِأَنْفُسِهِمْ

[13:11]

- Bring change in ourselves – bring change in our ummah
- Youth can easily bring change because of their unique energy, new ideas and their abilities to adapt to change





Thank You for Listening





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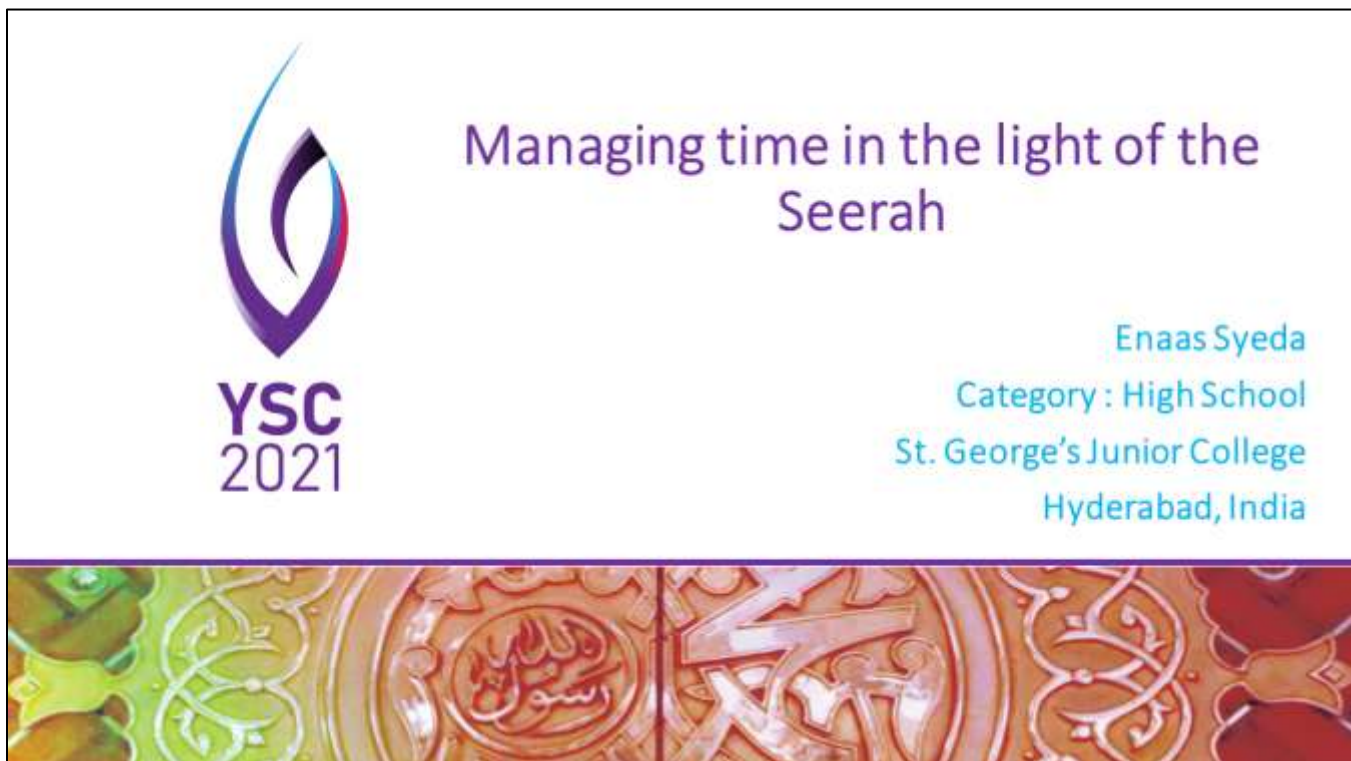
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Managing Time in the Light of Seerah – By Enaas Syeda

Abstract:

Allah ﷻ mentions the importance of time in the Quran quite a few times and you can find its reflection in the Seerah of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. His successful life revolved around the fact that he was brilliant at time management. During the course of this presentation I'd like to go through the importance of correctly managing time in the light of the Seerah of Prophet Muhammad SAWS. He quotes "There are two blessings which many people lose: (They are) health and free time for doing well." (Bukhari 8/421). Furthermore I'd also like to mention how the Prophet ﷺ himself managed time in a way that in only 23 years he was able to spread Islam through a good part of the Arabian Peninsula. Time is one of the things that every generation has struggled with and so Allah ﷻ also swears by time in Surah Asr and says that man is in loss. A major reason of the negligence towards the Deen from the Ummah today is because of poor time management skills. If all of us as an Ummah want to spread the Deen then we have to learn to balance this world and the hereafter and there are many examples of this in the Seerah of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ.

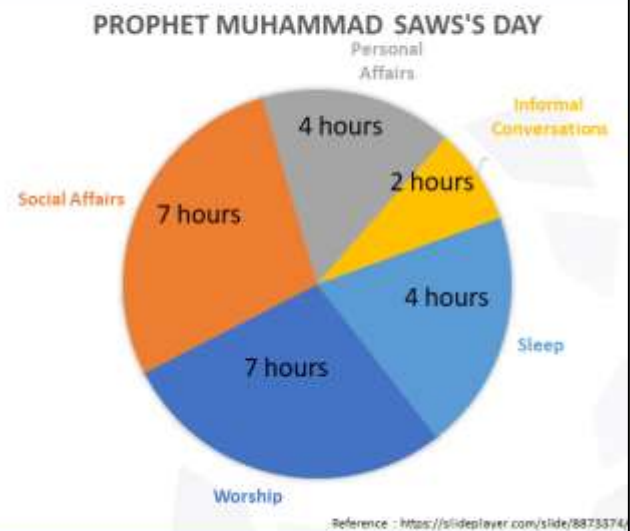




1. Prioritize your tasks

The Prophet divide his day into 3 parts:

- Worship
- Personal Affairs
- Social Affairs

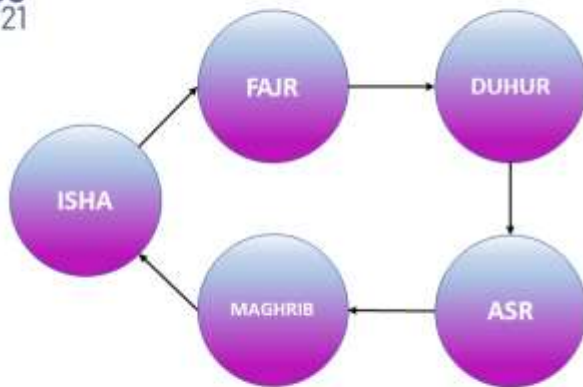


2. Early To Rise





3. Plan Your Day Around The Daily Prayers



Narrated by Al-Aswad bin Yazid : I asked Aisha RA, " What did the Prophet do at home?" She said he would work for his family and when he heard the call for prayer he used to go out." (Sahih Bukhari, Chapter 11: Hadith 644)



4. Say No To Procrastination



Prophet Muhammad SAWS said, " "Lose no time to do good deeds before you are caught up by one of seven calamities awaiting you:

- a starvation which may impair your wisdom;
- a prosperity which may mislead you;
- an ailment which may damage your health;
- an old age which may harm your senses;
- a sudden death;
- the Dajjal (Antichrist);
- or Doomsday, which is indeed the hardest and most bitter." (Tirmidhi)



5. Honoring Other People's Time

Abu Wail reported : " Ammar delivered to us the sermon. It was short and eloquent. When he (Ammar) descended (from the pulpit) we said to him : "Abd Al- Yaqzn you have delivered a short and eloquent sermon. Would that you had lengthened (the sermon). He said, " I have heard the Messenger of Allah SWT saying, " The lengthening of prayer by a man and shortness of sermon is the sign of his understanding (of faith). So lengthen the prayer and shorten the sermon for there is charm (in precise) expression." (Sahih Muslim, Chapter 4 Hadith 1889).



"He who fails to plan is planning to fail"

- Sir Winston Churchill



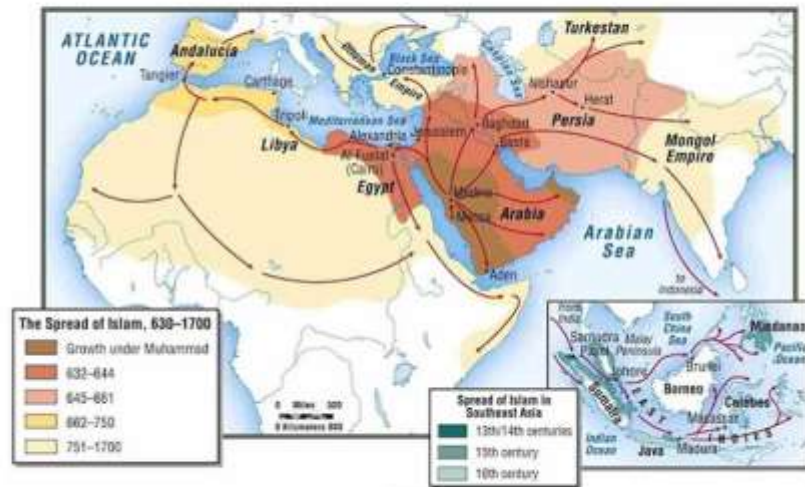
6. Plan And Be Positive





7. You Don't Need A Lot Of time To Accomplish Things

23 Years Of Prophethood



Surah Al Asr Chapter 103 : Verse 1 - 2

QuranReader 103. Al-Asr / Ayat 1

وَالْعَصْرِ

1. By time,

WaalAAasri

QuranReader 103. Al-Asr / Ayat 2

إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لَفِي خُسْرٍ

2. Indeed, mankind is in loss,

Inna al-insana lafee khusrin



Ibn Mas'ud reported: The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said, "The son of Adam will not be dismissed from his Lord on the Day of Resurrection until he is questioned about five issues: his life and how he lived it, his youth and how he used it, his wealth and how he earned it and he spent it, and how he acted on his knowledge." (Tirmidhi Hadith 2416)



The Message of Wisdom (Dawah) – By Ayesha Numa

Abstract:

Have you wondered how the beauty of Islam is spread throughout nations today? How the azaan rings in our ears and the Quran in our hearts? Upon generations and generations of people we received the greatest gift of all time. Our Prophet ﷺ saw and his hiqmah, endurance and unbreakable belief. Guiding souls and generations to the eternal bliss of a lifetime. The dawah he spread in the dangerous environment of Makkah. His patience that carried him throughout his lifespan, giving us the best example of mankind. In this presentation, the audience will embark on some journeys of his dawah. I will emphasize the incidents and how he dealt with them. From the beginning times of the Prophet ﷺ hood to his final breaths, he continued to do one of the most beloved acts by Allah ﷻ, spreading dawah. Some of his main events include the journey to Taif, the dangerous circumstances in Makkah in which he continued to spread words of guidance amongst the disbelievers, and other incidents. In Makkah he faced backlash yet remained firm and kind throughout. The people of Taif had stoned him yet he remained patient. In addition to this, the beauty and importance of his dawah and character will be shared to further inspire youth and individuals to revive this Sunnah in our lives. Misunderstandings around the world are increasingly rising. By battling these stereotypes and spreading the true character and religion of Islam we can rise as an Ummah and blossom many souls.





What is Dawah

- Spreading the words of Allah's wisdom through our beloved prophet ﷺ actions and words.
- Opens the thirst for knowledge, Guiding souls to the eternal bliss of a lifetime, in this world and in the Akhirah.



Beginning stages



Prophet SW began his dawah with close family and relatives

- Shows the importance of family members
- First believers were Khadijah ra, Abu Bakr (ra), Ali(ra), and Zaid(ra)
- These individuals started preaching





First believers and Surah Nasr

- The few believers began to spread dawah along side our Prophet ﷺ.
- 40 people accepted in 3 years
- Surah Nasr, ayah 2



وَرَأَيْتَ النَّاسَ يَدْخُلُونَ فِي دِينِ اللَّهِ أَفْوَاجًا ۝٢

"And you will see the mankind enter the religion of Allah in multitudes."



How can we implement this in our lives.

- Quality not quantity
- Never be discouraged, even one person is a win!
- With patience more souls will spark curiosity in them.
- Reward is plentiful





Dangers of Makkah

- In makkah the quraish were afraid of losing their leadership and money
- Boycotted muslims for 3 years
- Abu Lahab constantly mocked prophet sw
- Started to persecute muslims
- Quraish claimed a reward for whoever finds the prophet SW



Boycott of Muslims

- Went on for 3 years
- The Banu Hashim tribe was boycotted.
- No food or sustenance
- Stayed strong in their beliefs.





Lesson for us

- The struggles that we face in this world are temporary
- We should stay strong to our emaan
- Always trust Allah's plan.
- Surah sharh ayah 5.

إِنَّ مَعَ الْعُسْرِ يُسْرًا ۖ

"Indeed with hardship is ease".



Dar ul- Arqam

- First madrasah in Makkah, and first Madrasah in Islam.
- In Arqam's house.
- His neighbor was Abu Lahab!





Lesson for the youth

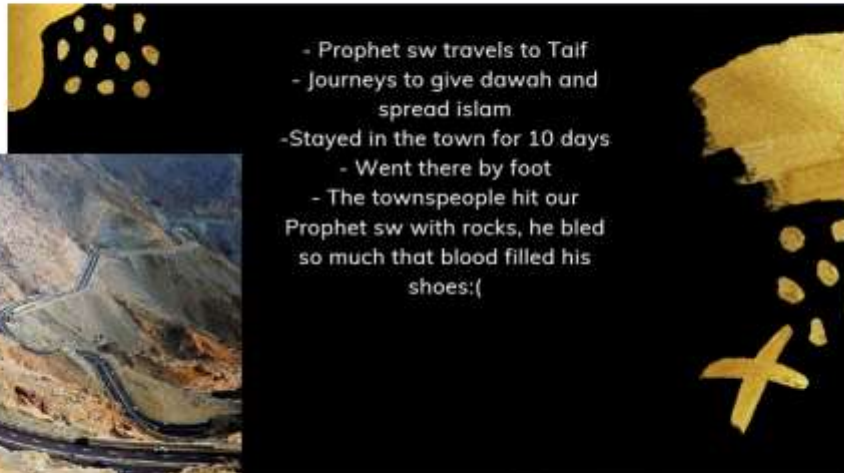
- At the time of the prophet ﷺ, the youth were so strong
- One of the first 2 believers were young adults
- We should be proud and convey our religion to our friends and coworkers
- Don't be afraid about our religion and what others will think:)



Journey to Taif



- Prophet sw travels to Taif
- Journeys to give dawah and spread islam
- Stayed in the town for 10 days
 - Went there by foot
 - The townspeople hit our Prophet sw with rocks, he bled so much that blood filled his shoes:({





Prophets response



- After the prophet sw left the town, Jibril as came to him
- Mountains of angels came with Jibril as and asked the prophet sw if they wanted to him to crush the villagers with the two mountains.
- Prophet sw thoughtful and patience response
- Hardest and saddest day of his life



Lessons learned from Taif

- If we are met with backlash for your Dawah stay patient, Alhamdulliah you did your job:)
- Its ok to feel sad, in the future you will get many more opportunities and success inshallah.
- Always treat the people with kindness





Conclusion

- Dawah is essentially Allah's wisdom being spread by his people.
- The duty of our ummah.
- Blossom many souls.
- Work with the characteristics of our prophet.





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Khadjah bint Khawlid, the First Muslim – By Huda Mazharuddin

Abstract:

Khadjah Radiallah hu anhu was the first wife and first follower of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. She played a big role in the start of Muhammad (PBUH)'s journey as a Prophet ﷺ. Khadijah was a wealthy business woman and a successful merchant from a line of a Noble family. On hearing of Muhammed's reputation as an honest and trustworthy man, she hired him to sell her merchandise to Syria. Her slave, Maysarah, accompanied Muhammed (PBUH) to Syria and came back selling the merchandise and attaining a great profit. Khadija was impressed by how Maysarah described the character of Muhammed (PBUH) but she approached talk of marriage through her friend. When they married, he was 25 years old and she was 40. Khadijah bore all of his children and he married no other woman. The Prophet ﷺ began his life of solitude by meditating at the cave of Hira or days and nights to which he would then return to Khadijah. He practiced this consistently until one day, Jibreel approached him. When he is confronted by the angel who tells him that he is to be a prophet, he goes mad. The Prophet ﷺ runs to his wife to which he attains comfort and understanding. She comforts him in the midst of his fears and madness and was the first to support Muhammed (PBUH) in his first years of becoming a Prophet ﷺ and became the first Muslim follower to him.



Khadjah bint Khuwaylid R.A.
The First Muslim

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Khadijah's R.A. Personal life

1. Khadijah R.A. was the born in Makkah in 556 CE
2. She was the daughter of Fatima bint Zayd and Khuwaylid ibn Asad.
3. She married 2 men before being wed to The Prophet (PBUH)
4. After he past marriages ended, she took care of her children



Business Woman

1. She grew up in the lap of luxury.
2. Khadijah R.A. inherited her father's business
3. Pre-Islam, The status of Women depended on their Tribe
4. One of the largest businesses in the Quraysh
5. She sold Merchandise
6. She hired people who were honest, hard working and renowned managers
7. Sold goods and Merchandise





Meeting Muhammed (PBUH)

1. She heard of Muhammed (PBUH) of being an honest and working man.
2. She hired him to work for her.
3. He came back successful and earning a great profit
4. The topic of marriage was brought up for both Khadijah R.A. and Muhammad (PBUH)
5. They married and the prophet was 25 while khadijah R.A. was 40.
6. He had 4 daughters; Zaynab, Ruqayyah, Umm Kulthum and Fatimah



The Revelation

1. Muhammad began his life of Solitude at the cave of Hira
2. After the revelation, the prophet ran to Khadijah R.A. in fear.
3. Khadijah R.A. provided him with comfort and Love,.
4. She took him to meet her Cousin, Waraqah to make meaning of this revelation to the Prophet (PBUH)
5. Waraqah explained to him that his people will turn against him\
6. Khadijah R.A. supported him
7. She used her money to feed the Poor and to ransom Muslim slaves



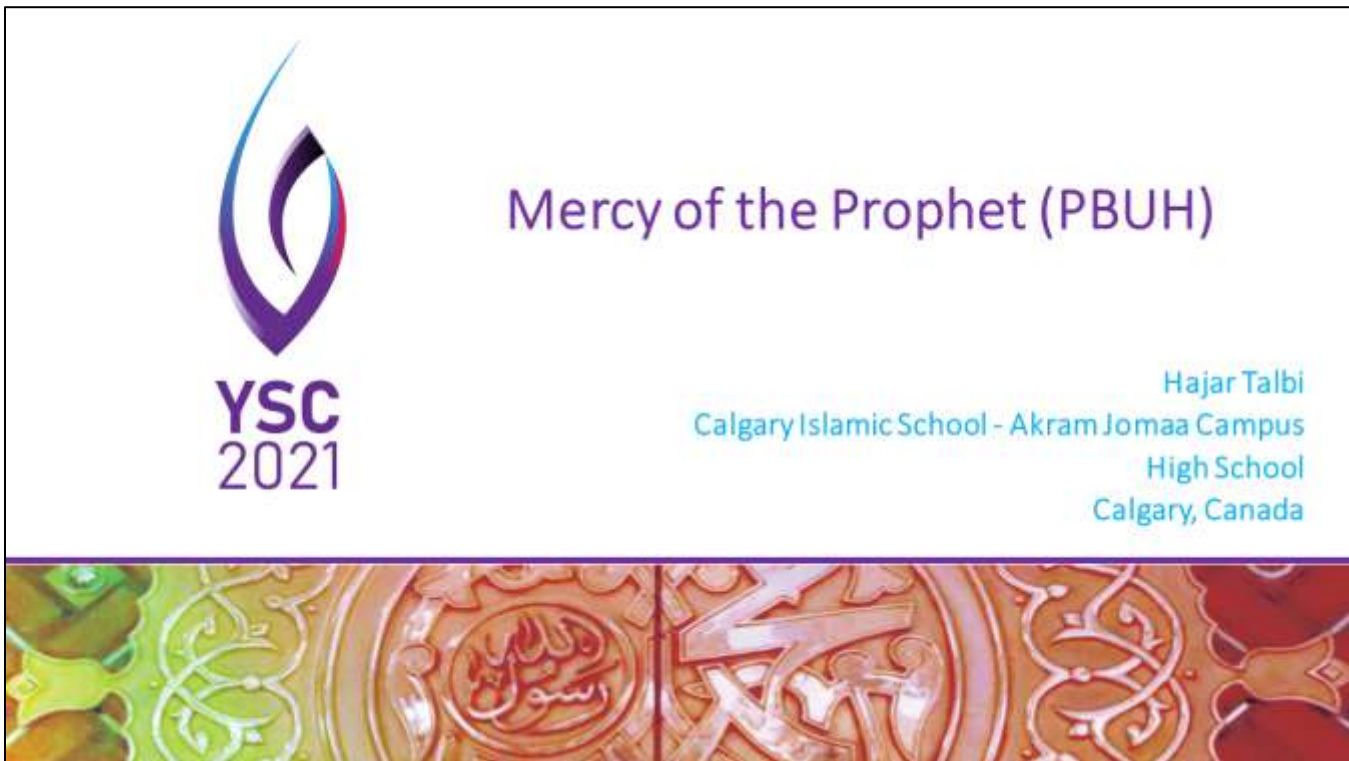
Her death

1. She died on his 10th year of prophethood.
2. The year was called “The year of Sorrow”
3. Jibreel promises
4. One of the 4 most important women In Islamic History

Mercy of the Prophet PBUH – By Hajar Talbi

Abstract:

Prophet Mohamed ﷺ, with no doubt, was a mercy to all human beings. We, as his followers, must live and spread his message at a time when hatefulness and ugliness towards each other have become the norm. In this presentation, I would like to go over the mercy of the Prophet ﷺ. This mercy is so needed right now more than any time else. I will also go over some of the events during his seerah where people of different backgrounds had tasted Prophet Mohamed's ﷺ "Rahma" and what is our role as young Muslims. While we are battling this pandemic, I think of what was the reaction of our beloved Prophet if he is with us. I know for sure that he is the hero of times of calamities and ordeal. In a time where the best creation of Allah ﷻ is being insulted, ridiculed, and mocked, people need to know him. They need to know his honor and his effect on all of humanity. People have to know the man who has the most incomparable mercy and the person who was, still is and will illuminate the lives of this world and who helped many from the dark tunnels of ignorance.





First of all, who was Prophet Mohamed?

- Prophet Mohamed was named in the Quran in Surah Al-Anbia, verse 107: "a mercy to the worlds"
- He was merciful to everyone (family, friends, elders and even enemies).
- Many people follow the religion of Islam because of the Prophet's mercy and the impact on everyone.



First of all, who was Prophet Mohamed?

- The prophet was, still is and will continue to illuminate the minds of people and unlocking their hearts to the truth.
- With the Quran and with the pearls of wisdom, he will continue to guide humanity and those who lost their ways in the dark tunnels of ignorance through his legacy.



Ta'if

- Beaten from head to toe, exhausted and degraded, Prophet Mohamed was faced with a choice. Should he or should he not seek to destroy the people who humiliated him by having their children chasing and pelting him.
- The real question is: what did the Prophet do to deserve all this hatred and violence?



All he wanted to do was share his message and seek to benefit his people.

- Prophet Mohamed (PBUH) was in Tai'f and extravagant town, around 50 miles south of Makkah
- He was hoping that the people of this town would accept the message of Islam that had been rejected by the Meccans for over ten years
- Nonetheless, the people of Tai'f proved just as cruel and intolerant as his own people.
- Not only did they mock the message of Allah, but they turned their youth against him



All he wanted to do was share his message and seek to benefit his people.

- In the face of misery and shame, Angel Jibreel was sent down and gave Prophet Mohamed an option: to destroy the people who nearly killed him, humiliated him, pelted him and rejected him without a warning.
- Subhanallah, the answer of the Prophet shook many...



His Mercy

- The Prophet Mohamed (PBUH) told the angel not to destroy the people of Tai'f.
- Instead of cursing them, he prayed for their preservation.
- This is just one example of the Prophet, whom the Allah describe as "mercy to the worlds" dealt with those who opposed to him.



Mercy to Enemies

- Islam is the religion of mercy and justice
- It commands us all to call others to religion of Allah in a kind and good manners.
- When it came to the enemies left after a battle, it was a priority for them to be treated the best way.
- Prophet Mohamed ordered for all the prisoners to be fed, clothed and given shelter.



The Prisoners of War

- The companions guarding the prisoners ate what was left of bread while the prisoners were given the best of Medina's dates.
- They were never beaten, tortured or killed but rather given the best of hospitality.
- The prisoners were only freed either by paying a certain amount of money or become Muslims.
- Because of this mercy that was given to the people fighting Muslims, many prisoners converted to Islam just because of a simple yet big impact.



Mercy to Enemies

- Before his Islam, Suheil ibn Amr used to be a very good speaker and always used to degrade the Prophet (PBUH).
- Umar ibn Al-Khattab (one of the closest companions to the Prophet) suggested that he would pull Suheil's two lower teeth so Suheil would stop.
- The Prophet (PBUH) replied: "If I do this, Allah would disfigure me on the Day of Judgement, despite the fact that I am his messenger.."



The Prophet's Dua'

- The Prophet made similar supplications for his people on a regular basis: "O Allah! Guide my people, for they know not," he would pray, as he and his followers were scorned and ridiculed.
- On another occasion, some Companions came to Prophet Mohamed and said: "O Messenger of Allah! The tribe of Daws have committed disbelief and disobeyed (your commands). Make dua' against them!" Contrary to the people's expectations, the Prophet said: "O Allah! Guide Daws and let them come to us."



Mercy to Enemies

- During the beginning of Islam, many Meccans attacked the Prophet with their words and used to curse him all the time.
- This caused the Prophet to emigrate to the beautiful city of Medina, where the people there were more welcoming.
- When the Prophet conquered Mecca in his 21st year of Prophet hood without any bloodshed, he asked the Meccans disbelievers who were waiting for his decision on them
- The Prophet said "How do you expect me to treat you?" They replied "You are a noble one, the son of the noble.." The Prophet (PBUH) smiled and said, "You may go free! No reproach this day shall be on you! May Allah forgive all of you!"



Mercy to Enemies

- *"These are just a few glimpses at how the Prophet dealt with those who opposed him. His opponents were not just people who fought his message on an intellectual level, they were individuals bent on destroying him, his family, his followers and Islam itself." ~AboutIslam*
- *"Contrast this nobility with some ignorant believers today who are found cursing others and praying for the destruction of the world. We do not know the aims of individuals. We do not even know ourselves. So let's keep making dua' that we stay on the right path and that Allah will guide others to it as well."*
~AboutIslam



Mercy to Women

- There was never a time where the Prophet (PBUH) degraded women or ignore what they have gone through during the time of Jahilia (ignorance).
- The Prophet of Allah gave women honour and dignity in their communities.
- Example: The Prophet showed value and respect to his beloved wife Khadija.
- The Prophet always consulted women and weighed their opinions very seriously.
- There was a case where Prophet Mohamed (PBUH) appointed Umm Waraqah the leader of her household. This teaches us that women can hold high positions in the right way.



Mercy to Women

- In the time of Jahilia (ignorance), fathers had the right to burry their new-born girls because the ideology was that having a baby girl was a shame.
- Because of the Prophet's mercy, the Prophet forbid this evil act and instead gave affection and mercy to all baby girls.
- Umar bin Al-Khattab (RAA) once reported: "We didn't have much regard for women while we were at Mecca, but they were treated better in Medina. Allah's messenger established women's rights through his sayings and commandments, which improved their positions and status."



Mercy to Children

- The Prophet of Allah (PBUH) was especially merciful and compassionate to all the children.
- When ever the Prophet saw a child crying, he would rush over, listen to them and let them share their feelings.
- Once the Prophet (PBUH) said: "I stand in prayer and wish to prolong it. However, I hear the cry of a child and cut the prayer short for the anxiety which the mother is feeling." (Narrated by Bukhari)



Mercy to Children

- Prophet Mohamed (PBUH) would take children in his arm, embrace them and show them how much the Prophet loved and cared for the children.
- The Prophet was a father to the fatherless and a solace to the orphans. He took every child as if he was their parents and felt the pain of a mother for her child more than the mother herself.



Mercy to Children

- One day, Aqra ibn Habbes told the Prophet: "I have 10 children. So far I have not kissed any of them." The Messenger of Allah replied: "The one with no pity for others is not pitied." (Al-Boukhari & Muslim)
- According to another version, Prophet Mohamed said: "What can I do for you if Allah has removed from you the feeling of compassion?" (At-Tirmithi)



Mercy to Animals

- Subhanallah, not only was the Prophet (PBUH) mercy to humans but animals as well.
- Prophet Mohamed (PBUH) strictly forbade all of us to let other creatures to go hungry or thirsty. Not even disturbing or overburdening them.
- He commanded us all to treat the animals with kindness and putting them at ease were these good acts bring us closer to Allah (SWT) and his mercy.



Mercy to Animals

- Abu Huraira reports the Prophet as saying: "A traveler who was thirsty saw a well in the way. He got inside the well and when he came out he saw a dog licking mud due to thirst. The man realized that the dog was as thirsty as him, so he got into the well again, filled his leather sock with water and carried it out holding it with his teeth. Thus, he quenched the thirst of the dog. Allah was pleased with this act of kindness and pardoned his sins." The companions who were listening said: "Oh Messenger of Allah, is there also a reward for beasts and wild animals?" Prophet Mohamed replied: "There is a reward in regard to every creature that has a living heart."



Mercy on the Day of Judgement

- On the day of Judgment, the stress of people goes beyond a whole level that people will ask messengers to intercede with Allah on their behalf.
- Each messenger will have a reason relating to their humility and fear of Allah, will tell the people to go on to the next messenger.
- When it comes to Prophet Isa, he will tell the people to go to Prophet Mohamed and that's when the Prophet (PBUH) intercedes for them.
- The Prophet will be saying to Allah, "My Ummah, Oh Allah! My Ummah!"
- Allah (SWT) will grant Prophet Mohamed the blessing of interceding the people to Jannah through his virtues, nobility, humility and his humbleness.



Conclusion

- *"Prophet Mohamed was a mercy to all human beings. Any person may turn to Islam regardless of his original religious background. We, as his followers, must live and spread this message today at a time when hatefulness and ugliness towards each other has become the norm." ~AboutIslam*
- The Prophet did not live for himself, but for others: he is the mercy for all the worlds!
- In recent events, so much hate and disgust is toward the Prophet (PBUH). People are believing in the wrong and ignore the right. This is all because there is lack of knowledge and misunderstanding.
- Alhamdulillah, there are many programs teaching us about the Prophet (PBUH) and for us to spread the word to all. To show everyone who really is the Prophet and how much it is to be honored to know about our Prophet.



Thank you!

Jazakumllahu Kheiran for taking your time out and listening to my presentation. Alhamdulillah, I am really grateful for participating and I am truly honored to speak about our Prophet Mohamed (PBUH). I really hoped you enjoyed and also benefited like I did! Jazakumullahu Kheiran again!

- Hajar Talbi



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The Hidden Victory- Haroon Rafiq Shah

Abstract:

The Treaty of Hudaibiya had a great significance in the history of Islam. It was when the Muslims strategically converted a defeat into an honorable exit with a guarantee of peace for the years to come. In this presentation I will cover the dream of our Nabi and his march towards the holy city of Mecca, his stay at Hudaibiya, the clauses of the treaty and the declaration of this treaty as a victory by Allah ﷻ in chapter 48 verse 1. This is a very important topic because this treaty shows that Allah ﷻ is indeed with the patients, moreover this treaty also shows us that we should respect differences in opinions and also a diplomatic way to carry peace treaties with the enemies of Islam. This topic will help the ummah to see the greatness of the Messenger of Allah ﷺ. And this is a very important topic because this treaty signified that our Leader Muhammad PBUH was an diplomat and not a warlord (Auzubilla) as described by many islamophobes today.





Understanding the Context

- When
- Why
- How



The scout has been sent out

- At Usfan, Prophet(ﷺ) dispatched a surveyor who informed that
 1. The Quraish were encamped at Dhul -Tawa.
 2. Khalid bin Waleed was near Usfan to stop the Muslims
- On hearing this, Prophet(ﷺ) consulted his companions , Abu Bakar opinionated that there should be no war as their only intention was performing Umrah.
- The prophet agreed and continued his journey to Mecca



Plan of killing the Muslims

- At midday, the Muslims offered the dhuhr Prayer
- Plan to kill the Muslims at Asr prayer
- Revelation of a Special Prayer



Change of ways and reaching Hudaibiya

- The Prophet took alternate route to Mecca.
- Prophet's camel named Qaswa , knelt down at a place close to Hudaibiyah ignoring the repeated command to move.
- Prophet (PBUH),said: "Qaswa has not refused, as it is not her nature. The One who restrained the elephants is keeping her back."
- The Prophet(PBUH) again spurred the camel to move, it immediately sprang up on its legs, but changed the direction towards Hudaybiyah.
- It halted at a place that had little water. The companions quenched their thirst as prophet forced a weapon in to it and water gushed forth.



Negotiations between the Muslims and the Quraish

- Quraish sent Halees bin Ikrama , Urwa bin Masood and many such to negotiate with the Muslims.
- The negotiators returned with the opinion favouring the Muslims.



Disruptions in the peace makings

- Seventy to eighty hot blooded youth from the Quraish were caught as they sneaked into Muslim camps to disrupt the Peace Talks but the Prophet forgave them.
- Then, Allah Revealed a verse ,
“He is the One Who held back their hands from you and your hands from them in the valley of ʿHudaibiyah, near` Mecca, after giving you the upper hand over `a group of` them. And Allah is All-Seeing of what you do.” surah fatha
- Dr. Mustafa Khattab, the Clear Quran



Continuation of the peace negotiations and Uthman's mission

- Uthman was appointed to go to Mecca to negotiate on behalf of the Muslims
- Negotiations failed as chiefs of Quraish did not accept the offer.
- Muslims were restricted to enter Haram to perform umrah.
- Uthman was allowed to perform umrah but he declined the offer and returned to Muslims
- Rumour of Uthman's death and the Bay'a Al Ridwan



Decision of sending Suhayl bin Amr

- When the Quraish heard about the Bay'a Al Ridwan they decided not court a war and sent Suhayl bin Amr to make peace.



THE CLAUSES

1. The Muslims will have to return to Medina this year. The Muslims shall perform their pilgrimage on upcoming year and they would stay in peace at Mecca for three days with no arms except sheathed swords.
2. There will be a truce between both parties for ten years, whereby during this period all the people may enjoy safety and harmony.
3. Whoever wishes to enter into a covenant with Muhammad, will be allowed to do so, and whoever wishes to enter into a covenant with the Quraysh will be allowed to do so. Whoever enters into anyone of the parties, will be considered as a part of that party. Likewise, any sort of exaggeration on them will be considered as exaggeration against that party.
4. Whoever comes to Muhammad from Mecca fleeing away without having permission from his guardians, will be sent back to the Quraysh, but whoever come to the Quraysh from the Muslims will not be sent back to the Muslims



Problems caused during the Treaty

1. Objection of the usage of Bismillahir-Rahmannir Raheem and replaced with Bi-ismika Allahhuma
2. Objection on writing Messenger of Allaha before the name Muhammed
3. The return of Abu Jandal.



Did Hdaybiya favour the Muslims?

1. The first thing that Hdaybiya proved was that Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) was equal to the Quraish:

After the signing of the treaty, the Quraysh of Mecca no longer considered Muhammad to be a rebel or a fugitive from Mecca. They also recognized the Islamic state in Medina by signing the treaty.

2. This Treaty gave the Muslims time to do Dawah to different parts of the Arabian peninsular as the treaty signified peace for 10 years.



Umar's anger and Allah's answer

- After the treaty was signed and the clauses were implemented Umar asked the Prophet if they are on the truth and why did they accept such unfavourable terms in the treaty. On their way back the Prophet received the verses of the Noble Quran of Surah Fath ayah 1 stating that the treaty was a clear victory for the Muslims.

"Indeed, We have granted you a clear triumph 'O Prophet'"

-Dr. Mustafa Khattab, the Clear Quran



Lessons that we need to learn

Lesson 1

A defeat doesn't necessarily mean a defeat but it can be a sign from Allah for a victory in future

Lesson 2

"... Do not lose hope in Allah's mercy..." surah Zumar ayah 53



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First Revelation: The Birth of an Ummah- By Yahia Abrini

Abstract:

Undoubtedly, the most important moment in this Ummah's history was that of First Revelation; the moment in which contact was first made between Allah ﷻ the Exalted and the noble Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. The aftermath of this special and miraculous occasion was nothing short of revolutionary: it marked the start of a transformation from darkness to light that has since reached every corner in the world. The Quran, the final guidance that would ever come down upon mankind, was first revealed during that blessed night, and what a night it was indeed! Allah ﷻ says in Surah al-Qadr, Ayahs 1-3: {Indeed, We sent the Qur'an down during the Night of Decree. And what can make you know what is the Night of Decree? The Night of Decree is better than a thousand months.} And that's not all; rather, an entire month was dubbed the month of Quran. In Surah al-Baqarah Ayah 185, Allah ﷻ says: {The month of Ramadan [is that] in which was revealed the Qur'an, a guidance for the people and clear proofs of guidance and criterion.} My presentation will aim to explore what made this occasion so special, and how we as ordinary Muslims can take inspiration from it, and be guided by following in the Prophet's ﷺ footsteps with regards to the Quran.



First Revelation: The Birth of an Ummah

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Introduction: "What is the Solution to ____?"

- We All Have Questions We Want to Answer
- Surah ash-Shura 52-53: We thus inspired you spiritually, by Our command. You did not know what the Scripture is, nor what faith is, but We made it a light, with which We guide whomever We will of Our servants. **You surely guide to a straight path.** The path of God, to whom belongs everything in the heavens and everything on earth. Indeed, to God all matters revert.



(translation of Ayat taken from clearquran.com)



The Hadith of Our Mother Aisha (رضي الله عنها)¹

- The commencement of the Divine Inspiration to Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) was in the form of good dreams which came true like bright daylight, and then the **love of seclusion** was bestowed upon him. He used to go in seclusion in **the cave of Hira** where he used to **worship (Allah alone)** continuously for many days before his desire to see his family.



1- Sahih al-Bukhari 3 (translation taken from sunnah.com)



The Hadith of Our Mother Aisha (رضي الله عنها)¹

- He used to take with him the journey food for the stay and then come back to (his wife) Khadija to take his food likewise again till suddenly the Truth descended upon him while he was in the cave of Hira. The angel came to him and asked him to read. The Prophet (ﷺ) replied, "I do not know how to read." The Prophet (ﷺ) added, "The angel caught me (forcefully) and pressed me so hard that I could not bear it anymore."
- [This Happened Twice More]



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The Hadith of Our Mother Aisha (رضي الله عنها)¹

- [When he released him the third time, he read upon the Prophet (ﷺ) the first three Ayat of Surah al-Alaq]
- **"Read: In the Name of your Lord who created. Created man from a clot. Read: And your Lord is the Most Generous."** (translation taken from clearquran.com)
- Then Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) returned with the Inspiration and with his heart beating severely. Then he went to Khadija bint Khuwailid and said, "Cover me! Cover me!" They covered him till his fear was over and after that he told her everything that had happened and said, "I fear that something may happen to me." Khadija replied, "Never! By Allah, Allah will never disgrace you. You keep good relations with your kith and kin, help the poor and the destitute, serve your guests generously and assist the deserving calamity-afflicted ones."

1- Sahih al-Bukhari 3 (translation taken from sunnah.com)



The Hadith of Our Mother Aisha (رضي الله عنها)¹

- Khadija then accompanied him to her cousin **Waraqa bin Naufal** bin Asad bin 'Abdul 'Uzza, who, during the pre-Islamic Period became a Christian and used to write the writing with Hebrew letters. He would write from the Gospel in Hebrew as much as Allah wished him to write. He was an old man and had lost his eyesight.
- Khadija said to Waraqa, "Listen to the story of your nephew, O my cousin!" Waraqa asked, "O my nephew! What have you seen?" Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) described whatever he had seen. Waraqa said, "**This is the same one who keeps the secrets (angel Gabriel) whom Allah had sent to Moses. I wish I were young and could live up to the time when your people would turn you out.**"



1- Sahih al-Bukhari 3 (translation taken from sunnah.com)



The Hadith of Our Mother Aisha (رضي الله عنها)¹

- Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) asked, "Will they drive me out?" Waraqa replied in the affirmative and said, "**Anyone (man) who came with something similar to what you have brought was treated with hostility**; and if I should remain alive till the day when you will be turned out then I would support you strongly." But after a few days Waraqa died and the Divine Inspiration was also paused for a while.



1- Sahih al-Bukhari 3 (translation taken from sunnah.com)



Conclusion: “What is the Solution to ____?”

- The Four Principles for Success
- Surah al-‘Asr: By Time. The human being is in loss. Except those who **(1) believe**, and **(2) do good works**, and **(3) encourage truth**, and **(4) recommend patience**.
- Surah Iqraa – 1, Surah Muzzammil – 2, Surah Muddathir – 3, Surah Qalam – 4
- Luqman’s Advice to his Son

(translation of Ayat taken from clearquran.com)



The End




Effective Communication in the Light of Seerah – By Lateef Fatima

Abstract:

Living together is the natural instinct of human beings, who rely on communication for fulfilling their needs and conveying their feelings. Communication is “the activity or process of expressing ideas and feelings or of giving people information”. A lively and peaceful life depends on effective communication which minimizes the chances of conflict and whereas ineffective communication leads to ambiguities, misunderstandings and conflicts. It is a fact that intelligence, money and reputation are the globally accepted symbols; however, if anyone does not possess the art of effective and inspiring communication, he cannot win the heart of many peoples. Only such a man can inspire the minds and hearts of other people who know the art of situational usage of words and a sentence, who respects listeners, can encourage and appreciate the deeds and feelings of others. The Holy Prophet ﷺ said “some speeches have a magical inspiration”.

God’s communication to mankind was facilitated by Prophets. Being a complete code of life, Islam provides the required guidelines for effective communication. The verses of the Holy Quran and Traditions of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ highlight this topic. Similarly the life of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is a practical example of effective communication. Hence, through this presentation let’s learn some important types of etiquette of communication according to Sunnah that would not only improve our daily interactions but also keep the environment of the society peaceful, non-violent and harmonized.



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اللهم صل على محمد النبي الامي و على اله و
سلم تسليما

Translation: O Allah bless
Muhammad, the unlettered
Prophet, and his family and
grant them best of peace.



OVERVIEW

➤ Introduction.

- What is effective communication?
- Why learn it according to Sunnah?

➤ Content.

- Types of communication skills.
- Manners of effective communication according to Sunnah.

➤ Summary.

➤ Conclusion.





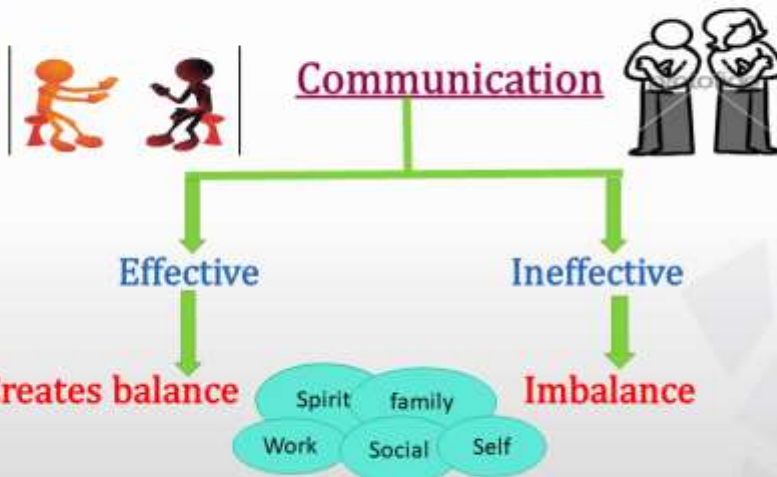
What is effective communication?

➤ Definition of communication:

“To express oneself in such a way that one is readily and clearly understood.”



What Is Effective Communication?





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Why learn it according to Sunnah?

➤ A Role model

"Indeed in the Messenger of Allah, you have the best example." (Al-Ahzab 33:21)

➤ Sign of one's love for Allah (swt)

Say (O Muhammad) : "If you indeed love Allah, follow me, and Allah will love you and will forgive you your sins. (Aal Imran 3:31)



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Types of communication skills

1. Verbal skills



2. Non - verbal skills

body language, facial expressions etc.,





Manners of effective communication according to Sunnah

1. Smile

- The Holy Prophet (peace be upon him) said :
"Your smiling in the face of your brother is charity." (Jami' at-Tirmidhi , 1956).



- Facial expressions – speak about inner feelings.



Effective communication according to Sunnah

2. Role of Eyes

- The Holy Prophet (peace be upon him) said :
"It is not advisable for a Prophet to play deceptive tricks with the eyes." (Sunan Nasai ,4067).



3. Wishing peace by saying Salam

- Start with Islamic greeting of peace
"السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته."



Effective communication according to Sunnah

4. Effective Gestures



a) Shake hands

- The Holy Prophet (Peace be upon him) said :
"Two Muslims will not meet and shake hands having their sins forgiven them before they separate." (Abu Dawood , 5212)
- Only applied to individuals of same gender and Mahrams.

b) Turn whole body not just head.



Effective communication according to Sunnah

5. Soft tone

- The Holy Prophet (peace be upon him) said:
"Verily Allah is kind and He loves kindness and awards such rewards on the basis of kindness which he does not award on harshness nor on anything else."
(Sahih Muslim, 2593).

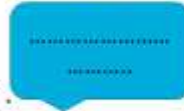




Effective communication according to Sunnah

6. Choose simple, concise words.

- Communication is not just what to say .
It's also how to say.



7. Stay way from argumentation.

- Be patient.



Effective communication according to Sunnah

8. Avoid using tongue for ill purposes.

- Includes : Talking about Allah (swt) without knowledge, Slandering, Backbiting, Insulting etc.,.





Effective communication according to Sunnah

9. Inquire about people.

10. Remember not all are the same.

11. Avoid indirect or double-meanings.

- The Holy Prophet (peace be upon him) said :
"Whoever believes in Allah and the last day should talk what is good or keep quiet." (Sahih Bukhari, 6136)



Effective communication according to Sunnah

12. Gift-giving

- Practice of our beloved prophet
(peace be upon him)

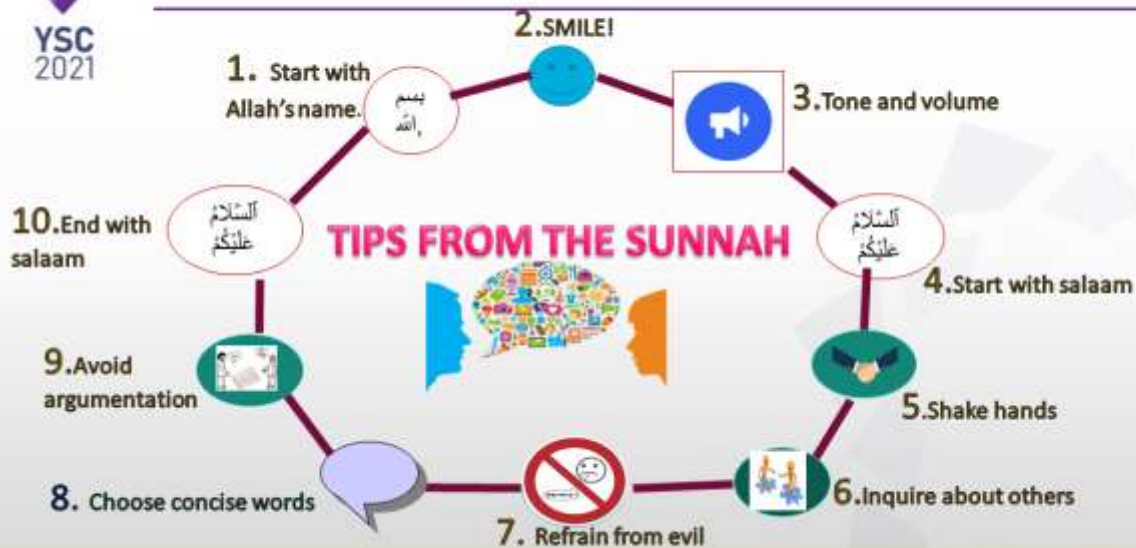


13. End with warmth and greetings of peace.





SUMMARY



CONCLUSION



➤ Reflection of Islamic culture and its characteristics.

"Whoever will come to Allah with a good deed shall have ten times as much, and whoever will come to Allah with an evil deed, shall be requited with no more than the like of it. They shall not be wronged." (Al-An'am 6:160)



THANK YOU



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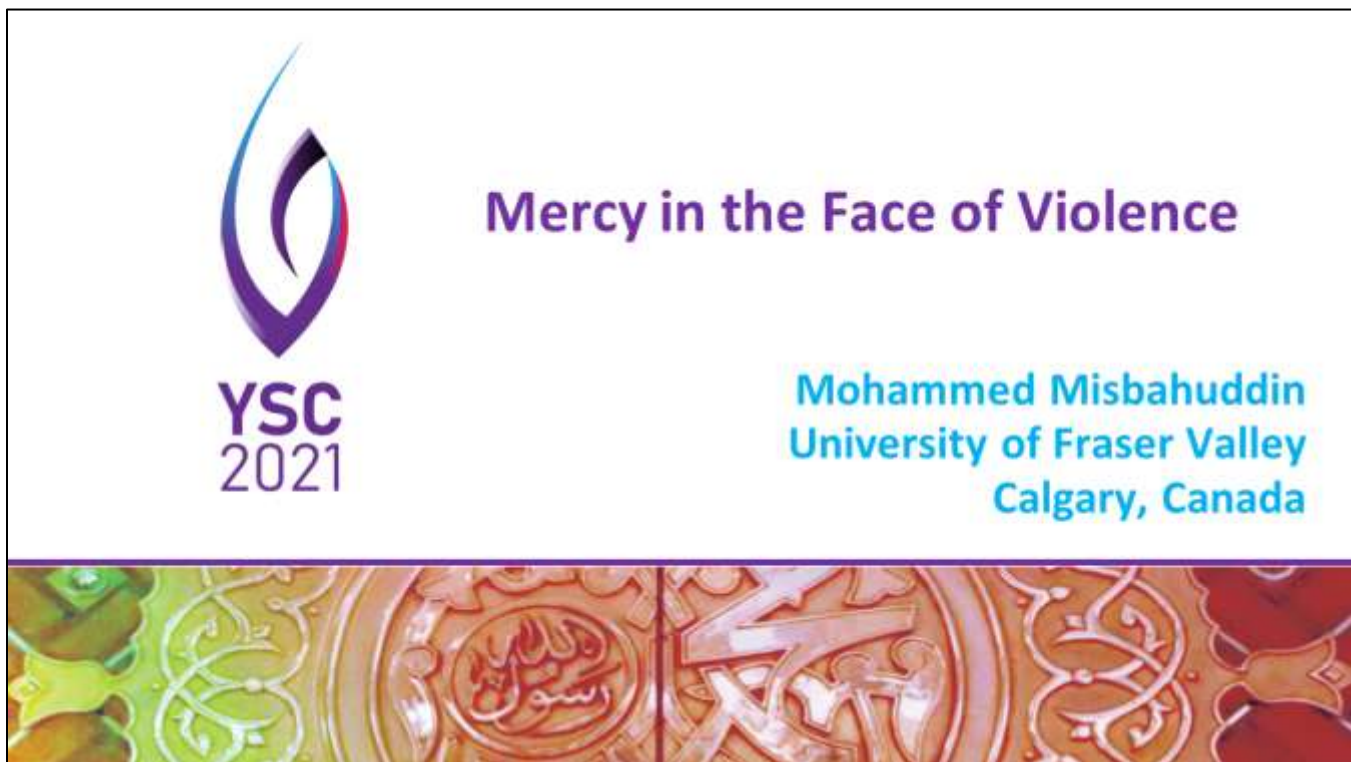


QUESTIONS?

Mercy in the Face of Violence – By Mohammed Misbahuddin

Abstract:

The life of the Prophet Mohammed ﷺ has been studied & scrutinized throughout history, more than any other human. Yet people still take his actions out of context and use him as an excuse to incite violence. In reality his life was filled with mercy & compassion, and it was his beautiful character coupled with the message of Allah ﷻ that led to the spread of Islam. My presentation will explore the techniques & strategies used by the Prophet ﷺ to avoid violence, his use of diplomacy & other approaches to reconciliation after conflicts and finally some real accounts & facts that display that Prophet's ﷺ merciful personality. As Muslims we have been told that the Prophet ﷺ is our example, his life is the essence of how we understand and implement our faith. For too long we have disregarded why the Prophet ﷺ was truly successful, we fail to recognize the impact that he as a lone individual made on the world and why? The answer is in how he lived his life, a life full of compassion. By learning about the Prophet's ﷺ character we as an Ummah can gain insight into his accomplishments, and find ways to apply his teachings in the violent world we live in today. Many of us complain about the state of our Ummah, which causes us to become impatient and that eventually leads to us being complacent. Our suffering cannot be compared to the suffering of our Prophet ﷺ and the patience he and his companions kept in the face of violence.





Introduction



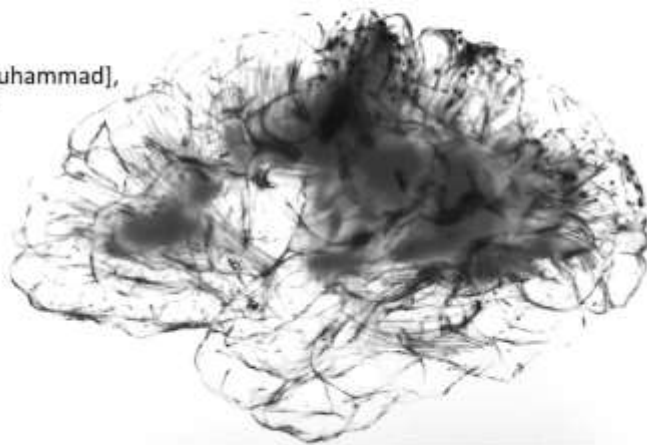
The life of the Prophet
as an example...



The Psychology of Mercy

"And We have not sent you, [O Muhammad],
except as a mercy to the worlds."

Surah Al-Anbiya
Quran 21:107





Perception of War

Was Islam spread by the sword ?



Verification & Diplomacy

"No go forth & learn the truth of the news that has come to us from them. If these reports are indeed correct, then do not inform me openly upon your return, but in a way only I can comprehend your meaning. However, should you find the Banu Qurayza loyal to the pact between us, then you may openly declare your findings."

Ibn Hisham's Seerah





Conclusion

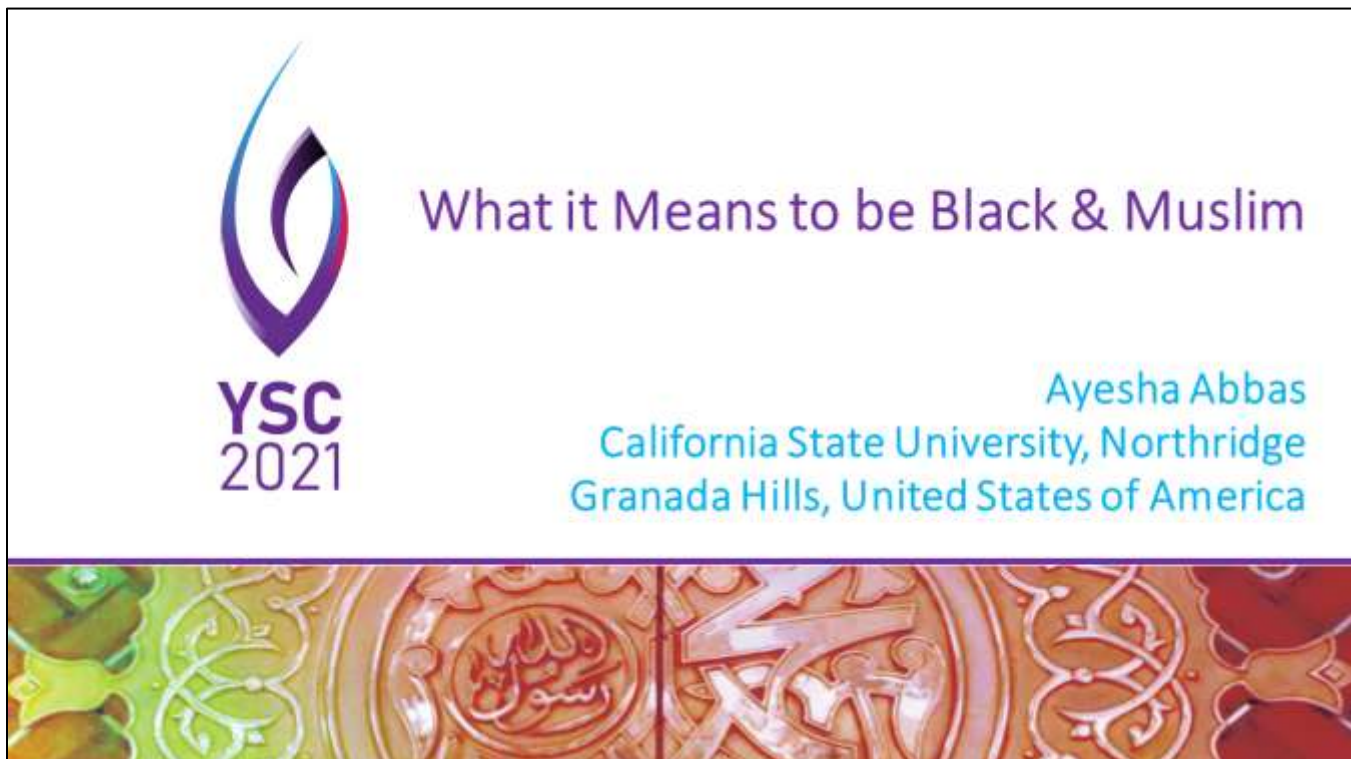
"Never kill the old verging on death, or young infants, children or women, or people in their places of worship, do not cut down the trees or destroy buildings"

Abu Dawud Jihad, 85 3/37

What it Means to Black & Muslim – By Ayesha Abbas

Abstract:

In today's climate, Black Muslims in America and all over the world are constantly being targeted, stereotyped, and attacked solely for the color of their skin. Not only is their complexion a cause for their struggle, but their Iman is constantly being tested because they are Muslim. In Islam, Black Muslims are given high regard from our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. In this presentation, I will be discussing how the Prophet ﷺ treated Black individuals of his time and the lessons we can learn from his actions and treatment towards that community. We will discuss stories of individuals such as Bilal, Umm Ayman and several other Sahabah of our beloved Prophet ﷺ to better understand this conversation. The mental, physical and spiritual struggles that Black Muslims are repeatedly faced with will also be detailed in this presentation. I will then continue to go into depth about the acceptance of diversity and varying cultures by our beloved Prophet ﷺ. Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was accepting of all cultures and did not judge a person based on their skin or where they are from. It is important that we understand of what our Black Muslim brothers and sisters are going through, to further help them break the stereotypes placed upon them. Through this understanding, we can properly heal and provide a backbone for not only our Black Muslim community but the Black community overall, Insha'Allah ﷻ.





How did our beloved Prophet ﷺ treat Black Muslims of his time?

- Our Prophet ﷺ was intensely against the practice of "ethnic loyalty."
 - "O people, your Lord is one and your father Adam is one. There is no favor of an Arab over a foreigner, nor a foreigner over an Arab, and neither white skin over black skin, nor black skin over white skin, except by righteousness. Have I not delivered the message?" (Narrated in Musnad Ahmad 22978)



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Bilal (رضي الله عنه)

- After Muhammad ﷺ had revealed the message of Allah, he had many followers. Amongst them was Bilal (رضي الله عنه)
 - Bilal RA was a slave to Ummayah ibn Khalaf, who was severely against Islam. When Ummayah got the news that Bilal became Muslim he tortured him daily.
- Muhammad ﷺ appointed Bilal (رضي الله عنه) as the Muezzin to further emphasize how racism and colorism is not permitted in Islam.
 - "O Bilal what special deeds you have done that I heard sounds of your walking steps ahead of me in Paradise." (Narrated in Sahih Bukhari: 1149)



Umm Ayman (رضي الله عنهم)

- Amongst the Black women of the Prophet ﷺ time, Umm Ayman (رضي الله عنهم) was one of the more notable women who the Prophet appreciated and treated with pride and nobility.
 - Barakah showed so much compassion to the prophet as she was there for him through all her turmoil till the day our Prophet PBUH passed away. The Prophet PBUH himself respected and treated her like his mother.
 - “Ya Umm Ayman! Ya Ummi! Indeed, for you is a place in Paradise!”



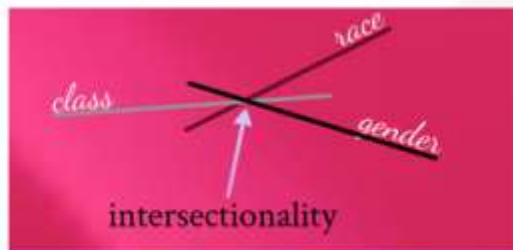
The Struggles Black Muslims Face

- The Black community is already struck by severe injustices from society due to the color of their skin, however, the Black Muslim community face a larger hardship in this.
 - From our Muslim men such as Muhammad Muhaymin Jr. to innocent women such as, Shukri Abdi, many Black lives are being taken away through injustice.



Critical Race Theory on Intersectionality

- Kimberlé Crenshaw, one of the leading scholars of the Critical Race Theory, argued about how intersectionality has different levels.
- Crenshaw described in her speech "On Intersectionality" in 2016, that intersectionality is "how race, class, gender, and other individual characteristics 'intersect' with one another and overlap."



Strive

- Due to this, Black Muslims' faith has been tested immensely.
- The Prophet (saw) narrated in a hadith of Bukhari that: "The people who face the most difficult tests are the prophets, then the righteous, then those following them in degree. A person is tried according to his religion. So, if there is firmness in his religion, then the trial is increased, and if there is a weakness, then it is lightened. Verily a trial remains with a servant until he walks the earth having no sin left upon him" (Bukhari).



Supporting & Aiding

- He (PBUH) said: *"Whoever relieves a believer's distress of the distressful aspects of this world, Allah will rescue him from a difficulty of the difficulties of the Hereafter. Whoever alleviates [the situation of] one in dire straits who cannot repay his debt, Allah will alleviate his lot in both this world and in the Hereafter. Whoever conceals [the faults of] a Muslim, Allah will conceal [his faults] in this life and the Hereafter. (Muslim)*



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In Closing

- Although we may not understand first-hand the struggles faced by the Black Muslim community and the Black community overall, we can at least try to learn, listen and be empathetic to them for when they need us most.
- We ask Allah to help our Black brothers and sisters who are facing struggles on the daily, to ease their burden and to reward them immensely for staying steadfast towards the righteous path.



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The Prophet Muhammad and the Legacy He Left on the Women's Empowerment Movement Today – By Sobia Mohiuddin

Abstract:

Throughout the Prophet's ﷺ life, there are a plethora of examples of the high regard he held for women and their respective rights. As a Father of four daughters in a society that prized sons, he told other fathers that, whoever cared for their daughters adequately and spoke well of them on the Day of Judgement, they would enter paradise. The Prophet's ﷺ daughters and wives played an influential role in society and are role models for women today. Today, Islamic legal and social systems around the world approach and fall short of women's rights by varying degrees. In this presentation, I will cover the numerous examples of how our beloved Prophet ﷺ dealt with women and the high regard he had for them. The prophet's ﷺ dealings with the women in his life exemplified authentic Islamic views that were considered extremely "progressive" for their time. This was evident from the way he would treat his daughters and wives to the way he would deal with complete strangers. Another point of evaluation is the extent to which women were involved in decision making and warfare throughout the life of the Prophet ﷺ and how he uplifted women in a society that had no regard or respect for them. These important aspects of the Seerah must be studied to use the Islamic knowledge and guidelines in our own lives and to impart it to others as well. In a world where the Feminism movement has become increasingly prevalent, educating oneself is now more important than ever.



The Prophet Muhammad and the Legacy He Left on the Women's Empowerment Movement Today

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What is Women's Empowerment?

- Feminism : the advocacy of women's rights on the basis of equality between men and women
- Equality: the state of being equal in regards to status, rights, and opportunities
- Equity: the quality of being fair and impartial

Women's Rights Before Islam

- Prior to the advent of Islam, societies were :
- Ignorant
- Lack of respect for women
- Dismissal of basic human rights
- Daughters were buried alive
- Women were treated like merchandise
- Oppression was prevalent



Distribution of Wealth and Legal Rights:

- The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said: "Do not move (or spend or use) anything at all from the estate"

[Tafseer Al Qurtubee]

﴿لِّلرِّجَالِ نَصِيبٌ مِّمَّا تَرَكَ الْوَالِدَانِ وَالْأَقْرَبُونَ وَلِلنِّسَاءِ نَصِيبٌ مِّمَّا تَرَكَ الْوَالِدَانِ وَالْأَقْرَبُونَ مِمَّا قَلَّ مِنْهُ أَوْ كَثُرُ ۚ نَصِيبًا مَّفْرُوضًا ۝٧﴾

"There is a share for men and a share for women from what is left by parents and those nearest related, whether, the property be small or large – a legal share." (Qur'an 4: 7)

The Prophet's Marriage to Khadeejah (RA)

- What can we learn from Khadeejah (RA) and her life?
- She was a businesswoman
- Independent
- A good Muslimah
- A noble woman
- Exemplary wife
- Overall played an indispensable role in the life of the Prophet (PBUH)

Equality and Equity within The Prophet's Message for Humanity

- The first individuals the Prophet invited to Islam:
- Khadeejah (RA) - A woman
- Zaid Ibn Haarithah (RA) – A freed slave
- Ali (RA) – A child
- Importance of Motherhood:
- The Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, "Heaven lies under the feet of your mother." [Ibn Hanbal, V, 198]
- Education:
- In the 7th Century, Muhammad (PBUH) declared that the pursuit of knowledge is obligatory on every Muslim - male and female.

Summary

- How did our beloved Prophet (PBUH) uplifted women in a time of extreme oppression and ignorance:
- Abolished the concept of killing female children
- Stated that the birth of a girl was a blessing by Allah (SWT)
- Importance of Education
- Assent of a woman in a marriage and any other related matters (dowry)
- Women were given the right to divorce
- Independence of a woman's wealth and inheritance and the free will to do what one pleases with it
- Importance of Motherhood





JazakAllah Khayr for Your Time!

The Importance of Brotherhood – By Syeda Madhiya Hussaini

Abstract:

One of the reasons why Islam was able to be as widespread as it is today is because of the brotherhood that the Prophet ﷺ inspired in his followers. This was apparent in every step of the way, and certainly if the Prophet ﷺ did not ensure that his followers had a deep sense of brotherhood, the Muslims would not be able to work together and spread Islam. In this presentation I will be discussing the importance that the Prophet ﷺ placed on the Companions embracing brotherhood. The inequality present during Jahiliyah had to be reformed, and I will explain how the Prophet ﷺ and Islam did this, such as forging friendships between the rich and poor, as well as the Arabs and those of other ethnicities. I will also connect this to how we should conduct our friendships today, especially in today's pandemic where all of us are restricted from even shaking hands. The importance of keeping in touch with other Muslims will help keep the Muslim community strong throughout this pandemic, and it is exactly what the Prophet ﷺ did and encouraged his Ummah to do. It will also help us overcome challenges posed to Islam and Muslims today, from tackling islamophobia to helping our brothers and sisters struggling with oppression. In short, The Prophet ﷺ and his Companions created the Golden Age for the Muslims in their time, and similarly if we work together as Muslims today, who knows what we can achieve?





Introduction

- The Prophet (SAW) inspired brotherhood in his followers.
- The Muslims worked together to spread Islam because they embraced brotherhood
- The importance that the Prophet placed on the Companions embracing brotherhood.



What is Brotherhood in Islam?

Surah Hujurat Ayah 10:

“The believers are but one brotherhood, so make peace between your brothers. And be mindful of Allah so you may be shown mercy.”



What is Brotherhood in Islam?

Surah Hujurat Ayah 14:

"O, mankind, We have created you from a male and a female; and We have made you into tribes and sub-tribes that you may recognise one another. Verily, the most honourable among you, in the sight of Allah, is he who is most righteous among you. Surely Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware."



What is Brotherhood in Islam?

On the authority of Abu Hurayrah (RA) who said: The Messenger of Allah (SAW) said:

"Do not envy one another, and do not inflate prices for one another, and do not hate one another, and do not turn away from one another, and do not undercut one another in trade, but [rather] be slaves of Allah and brothers [amongst yourselves]. A Muslim is the brother of a Muslim: he does not oppress him, nor does he fail him, nor does he lie to him, nor does he hold him in contempt. Taqwa (piety) is right here [and he pointed to his chest three times]. It is evil enough for a man to despise his Muslim brother. The whole of a Muslim is inviolable for another Muslim: his blood, his property, and his honour."

[Reported by Muslim] Nawawi 35



What is Brotherhood in Islam?

As one ummah we:

- Must make peace and work together
- Are diverse which should not hinder our unity
- Must support, defend and honor our fellow Muslims

Fighting each other is against Islam, and a fellow Muslim's blood, property, and honour is to be protected.



Early Islam & Brotherhood

The Prophet (SAW) made sure to secure bonds between the Muhajirun (Emigrants) and the Ansaar (the Helpers)

"...it was not just meaningless words but rather a valid practice relating to blood and wealth" (The Sealed Nectar pg 173)

- Responsible for one another
- Inheritance



An Example of Brotherhood

“Sa’d bin Ar Rabi’ (RA), a Helper, said to his fellow brother ‘Abdur- Rahman bin Awf (RA), “I am the richest man among the Helpers. I am glad to **share half of my property** with you. I have two wives, I am **ready to divorce** one and after the expiry of her ‘Iddah, you may marry her.”

But Abdur-Rahman bin Awf (RA) was **not prepared to accept anything**: neither property nor home. So he blessed his brother and said “Kindly direct me to the market so that I may make my fortune with my own hands.” And he did prosper and got married shortly by his own struggle” (Sealed Nectar, pg 173)



Results

- Unbreakable bonds of Brotherhood
- Sacrifice
- Selflessness
- Appreciation for their fellow Muslims
- Gratitude

The Ansaar gave everything they had, and the Muhajirun accepted only what they needed.

These Muslims loved and trusted one another as they would their own blood relatives.



Brotherhood and the Expansion of Islam

The bonds formed by the Prophet resulted in an army that would never forsake their fellow Muslims and Allah.

- After the Battle of Badr, Musab bin Umair Al Ansari saw that his brother was being handcuffed by an Ansari man. Instead of stopping him, he told him to tighten the cuffs and ransom his brother since their mother was rich. As well, when his brother asked him for help because they were related, Musab replied that the Ansaari man was more eligible for brotherhood than him.



The Invasion of Tabuk

- The army went from around **300 men** in the battle of Badr to **30,000 men**.
- This invasion was against the Byzantines, then the most powerful army, who were planning to attack them.

For this invasion many of the Muslims gave much of their wealth to this effort, including Abu Bakr RA, who gave all his wealth, and Umar RA who gave half his wealth. Even women raced to give in Allah's way, donating their belongings. (The Sealed Nectar Pg 373)



Strength of Muslims' Will

- Despite this effort, there was still a shortage of supplies, and soldiers had to eat leaves and even kill precious camels for food.
- They stood strong, not forsaking the army and they succeeded, with the Byzantines not even daring to fight them.
- This resulted in a gain in reputation along the Arabian peninsula, and **tribes that had previously allied with the Byzantines switched to support the Muslims.** The Islamic state expanded to the Byzantines borders.



Brotherhood in the Modern Day

Muslims today need to learn to love and trust each other, and help each other up, just like the Prophet (SAW) and his Companions.

We need to remember that going against a fellow Muslim is against Allah's commands.

- "The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "Abusing a Muslim is **an evil** and killing him is **disbelief**." Sahih Al Bukhari 48
- "The bonds of brotherhood between two Muslims are like **parts of a house**, one part **strengthens** and holds the other." Sahih Al Bukhari



Ways to Strengthen Brotherhood

- Get involved with the local Masjid, pray there, volunteer, **MAKE FRIENDS** (Muslims who regularly visit the Masjid are always good company)
- Don't forget relatives, visit them, talk with them, maintain good relations
- Attend halaqas and make friends there
- If there is an Islamic School, help out by meeting teachers and staff and asking them what they need
- If you are young, tell your parents to get involved with fun Islamic events



COVID-19 and Brotherhood

There are still many ways to strengthen brotherhood in the current pandemic

- Keep up with friends and family online
- Attend online Halaqas, there are many free online Islamic classes taking place
- Volunteer with online classes, there are many things you can do, such as taking attendance, reading out comments, and helping out the instructor, and even making teaching material for the classes.
- One such organization is the **I3 Institute**, and Islamic classes and volunteering opportunities are offered there.



Conclusion

- Allah commanded us to form strong bonds of brotherhood with our fellow Muslim
- Driving forces for success of Islam
- We can learn from the Seerah and apply it to our lives

Who knows what we can accomplish today with more Muslims than ever before?



Final Hadith

Narrated Anas:

The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "None of you will have faith till he wishes for his (Muslim) brother what he likes for himself."

Sahih Al Bukhari 13



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The Importance of Good Character – By Mohammed Asaad

Abstract:





Good Character

What does having good character mean?

Good Character Traits:

- Honesty
- Integrity
- Kindness
- Loyalty
- Helpful
- Respectful



The Biggest Example

- Our Beloved Prophet Muhammed (S.A.W)



The Trash Walk

The Story of the Old Lady and her hate towards our Prophet

Things to remember

- Kindness
- Patience



The Shade of the Tree

The Story of the Man who Threatened the Prophet

Things to remember

- Always have faith in Allah





Why?

- Why does it matter?



Jazakallah for listening!

Any questions?



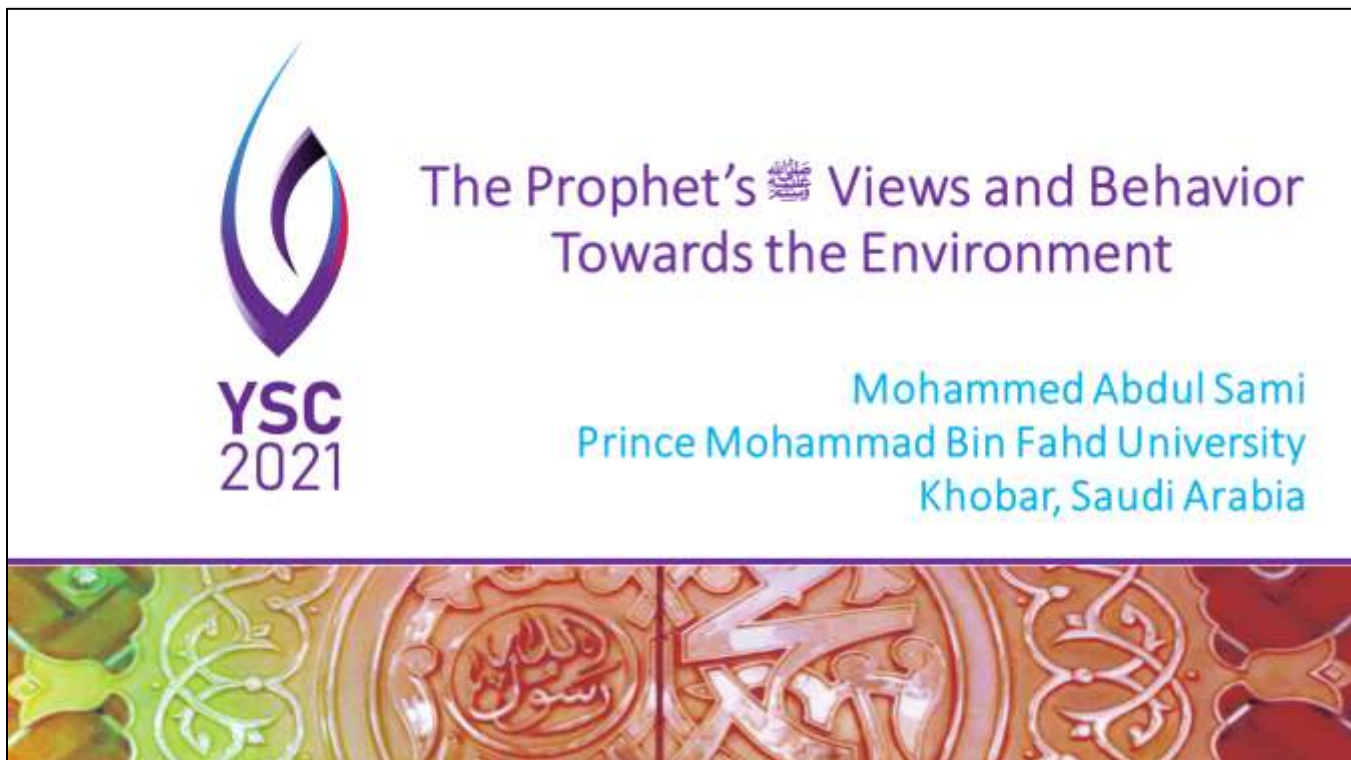
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The Prophet's Views and Behavior Towards the Environment – By Mohammed Abdul Sami

Abstract:

As we all know, the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was the last Messenger of Allah ﷻ and was sent to all of humanity to show us the righteous path. He stood as an example for all humans as he was closest to perfection as a human can get. This is why we should all follow his teachings and make sure that we can get as close as we can to Allah ﷻ. One aspect that really stood out from his caring and humble nature was how he showed heed to the environment and all its components. Our beloved Prophet ﷺ believed that the whole universe and all of Allah's ﷻ creations were not made for mankind. We are allowed to make use of these resources respectfully and never to gain ownership or show any injustice to the world our Lord has created. This may not apply to land ownership but it does have some limitations to how the land should be used. An example of how much the Prophet ﷺ cared for the environment would be how he would never waste a single drop of water when performing Wudhu (Ablution). He would also show love and care to animals such as camels and horses who were a great advantage for the community. In the modern world, sustainability has become a great problem due to pollution and global warming. We should all follow the ways of the Prophet ﷺ and spread awareness about how all of God's creations should be treated fairly.





The Overall Character of our Prophet ﷺ

- The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was the last messenger of Allah and was sent to all of humanity.
- His character and lifestyle stand as an example for all humans.
- He was the best of humans in the eyes of Allah, and we should all follow his teachings.
- One of the aspects that stood out was his attitude towards the environment.
- Our beloved Prophet ﷺ was loving, sympathetic and very caring when it came to dealing with issues related to the environment.



The Prophet's ﷺ concern for Allah's creations

- The Prophet ﷺ believed that the entire universe was not only made for mankind.
- Everything that the Earth contains (living or non-living) can be taken advantage of by humans.
- This includes land, water, animals, plants and also places created by humans themselves (houses, mosques etc.).
- He would never waste water when performing Wudhu (Ablution).
- He would act kind and caring towards camels and horses that were a great advantage during wars and expeditions.



The Prophet's ﷺ treatment towards animals

- The Prophet ﷺ always treated animals fairly and he was never cruel to them.
- He would never put a heavy burden on animals.
- He would also advise others to refrain from physical and mental cruelty to animals.



The Prophet's ﷺ treatment towards animals

- His words remind us never to cause defenseless creatures pain or suffering
- A Hadith states: "If someone kills a sparrow for sport, the sparrow will cry out on the Day of Judgment, "O Lord! That person killed me in vain! He did not kill me for any useful purpose."(Sunnan Al Nasai)





What the Prophet ﷺ thought of land

- Having ownership of land does not mean you can do anything with it without any limitations.
- Empty lands should be made good use of by growing crops or livestock farming.



What the Prophet ﷺ thought of land

- The Prophet ﷺ also advised us to plant trees. A hadith says: "If a Muslim plants a tree or sows seeds, and then a bird, or a person or an animal eats from it, it is regarded as a charitable gift (sadaqah) for him." (Bukhari)
- In another hadith: "If the Hour (the day of Resurrection) is about to be established and one of you was holding a palm shoot, let him take advantage of even one second before the Hour is established to plant it." (Authenticated by Al-Albani)





Thoughts of the Prophet ﷺ on water

- The Prophet ﷺ would always use water very carefully.
- Even when performing Wudhu or taking a bath.
- It is said in a hadith: “Do not waste water even if performing ablution on the bank of a fast flowing large river” (Al Thirmidhi).



Thoughts of the Prophet ﷺ on water

- Use of water for the irrigation of crops should be shared.
- The act of giving someone water is highly rewarded in Islam.





Conclusion

- Attitude of the Prophet ﷺ towards environment.
- The concern for all components of Allah's creations.
- Kindness to all animals.
- The right usage of land and reward for planting trees.
- Careful usage of water.
- Implementing the behavior of the Prophet ﷺ in our own lives.



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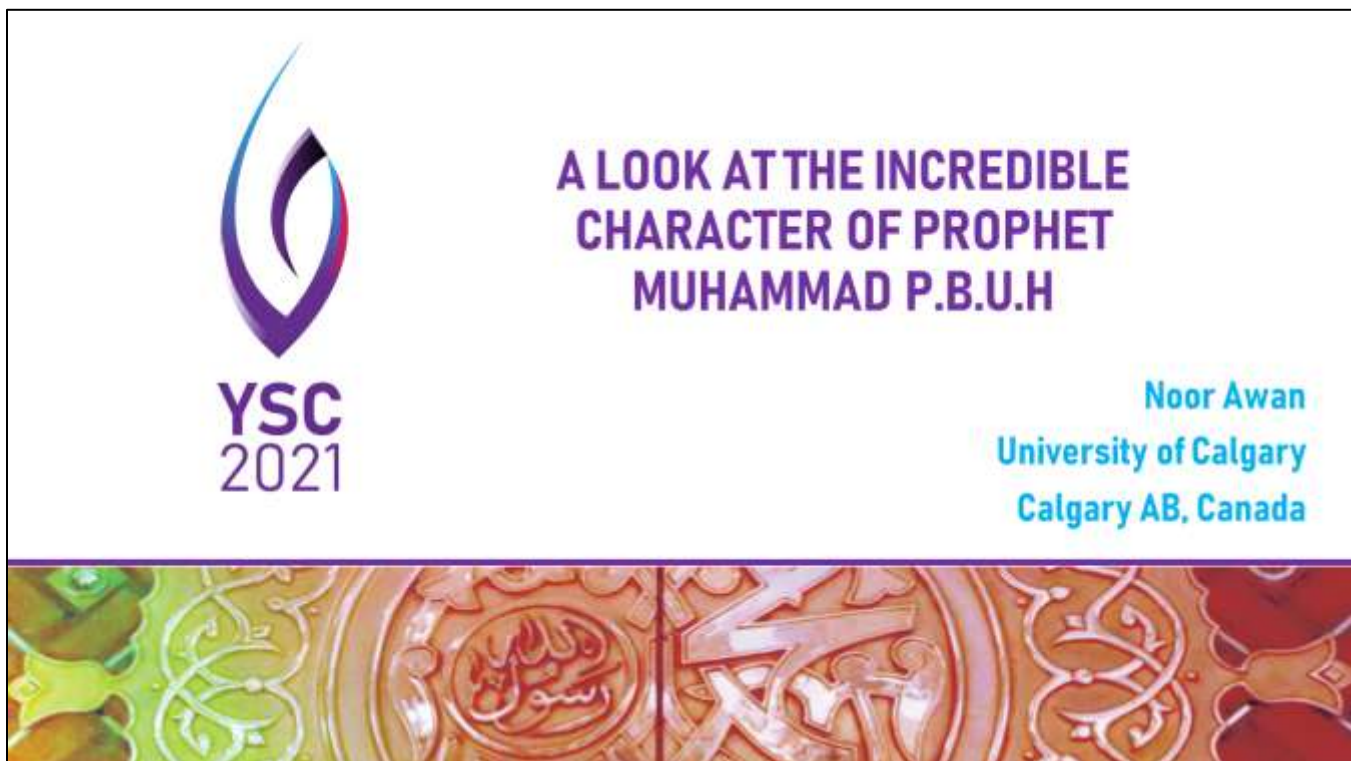
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A look at the Incredible Character of Prophet Muhammed PBUH – By Noor Awan

Abstract:

There is no doubt that Prophet Muhammad ﷺ had exemplary character that he demonstrated at multiple points throughout his lifetime. Due to his righteous conduct, Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was able to overcome many hardships and spread Islam as a just and kind leader. I will cover four of many great character traits that Prophet Muhammad ﷺ demonstrated. These will be his honesty, forgiving nature, kindness to all, and humble/modest behavior. I will give an overview of how Prophet Muhammad ﷺ demonstrated each trait, and will also briefly present a specific incident in which demonstration of the character trait by Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is evident. It is important to learn about the characters and manners of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ so that we can adopt his conduct in our own life. As Muslims, we should demonstrate the character traits that he presented so that we can bring peace and joy in our lives, so that we may overcome difficult obstacles with righteousness, and so we can present Islam in the best possible manner.





Introduction

- Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) had exemplary character
- Inspiration and Motivation for Muslims
- Honesty, Forgiving Nature, Kindness, Humbleness



Honesty – Always Truthful

- Al-Sadiq (truthful) and Al-Ameen (trustworthy) [1]
- Working with Khadija R.A. [2]
 - Respect
 - Rewards
 - Relations



MUSLIMS SHOULD ALWAYS SPEAK
THE TRUTH



Forgiving To All

- Forgiveness for friends AND foes [5]
- At a Leadership position [5]
- Confrontation with Suraqah, Son of Malik [3]
 - Forgive everyone
 - Kindness = Change



MUSLIMS SHOULD PARDON
THOSE AROUND THEM



Kindness For Everyone

- Charity – Generosity [4]
- Good with Poor, Needy, Family, Friends [5]
- Kindness means... [5]
 - People drawn to him
 - Acceptance of Islam



MUSLIMS SHOULD ALWAYS
BE A SOURCE OF KINDNESS



Humble And Modest

- No arrogance. No pride. [5]
- Respect for ALL [5]
- Travelling with companions [6]
 - Pride in hard work
 - Do not act privileged



MUSLIMS SHOULD NOT BE
ARROGANT



Final Remarks



HONESTY



FORGIVENESS



KINDNESS



HUMBLENESS



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Adversity and Growth – By Ayman Mohammed

Abstract:

Throughout the course of life, we as humans will face trials and challenges that are often filled with unseen difficulties. The perfect embodiment of an individual that overcame such hurdles was none other than Prophet Muhammad SAW. In the face of failure and adversities, it is imperative for an individual to reflect and grow. When we observe and analyze the events leading up to and including the Year of Sorrow in the life of the Prophet SAW, we attain a sense of confidence and willpower to combat our own challenges. The limited supplies available to the Prophet via the Boycott, the death of his dearest wife and his supportive uncle, the estrangement from his own kith and kin, and the lack of any support from internal and external sources are analogous to the challenges faced by the Muslim individuals and communities in the year of 2020. By juxtaposing these aforementioned events with current-world challenges, we can think critically, find similarities, and learn lessons that can propagate a positive paradigm shift. The resilience, determination, forward-thinking, and Taqwa demonstrated by our Prophet SAW during the Year of Sorrow serve as a springboard for change in mindset; we can face our own unique challenges and trials by learning from the life of the beloved Prophet SAW.



Adversity and Growth

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2020... Everyone's Favourite Year?



Economic Instability and Personal Finance



- Overnight change in worldwide economy
- Challenges in Job Search
- Less financial support, displacement of workforce
- Stringent spending and overpriced items



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The Boycott Against Banu Hashim

- Forced to live a in a barren desert valley
- Were fed off of the generosity of a few kind-hearted individuals⁽¹⁾
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"Indeed, those who say, 'Our Lord is Allah!' and then remain steadfast, the angels descend upon them, [saying,] 'Do not fear, nor be grieved! Receive the good news of the paradise, which you have been promised.' "[41:30]



COVID19 – Loss of Life



- 1,748,571 million deaths globally^[2]
- 80,182,968 million infections worldwide^[2]
- Sometimes, one life means more to us than millions



The Year of Sorrow

- Khadija R.A was the most beloved wife of the Prophet SAW^[3]
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"Beautiful patience (is most fitting for me), and Allah alone is besought for help against what you describe""(12:18)



Lockdowns and Estrangement

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- No access to non-essential services
- Living uncomfortably in our own cities
- Unable to enjoy the holidays and spend time with our family



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The Incident of Ta'if

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"It is part of the Mercy of Allah that you do deal gently with them. Were you severe or harsh-hearted, they would have broken away from about you; so pass over (their faults), and ask for forgiveness for them; and consult them in affairs" [3:159]



Current Events



- Harsh comments about Muslims, Islam, and our Prophet
- Vile cartoons and depictions of the Prophet
- Imperative to remain gentle and calm!



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"For We have not sent you but as a mercy to all realms" {21:107}



How Adversity leads to Growth

Highest of the Highest Status in this world and the Next

Lowest Point in The Life of The Prophet SAW



Growth After Adversity



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Thank You



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