



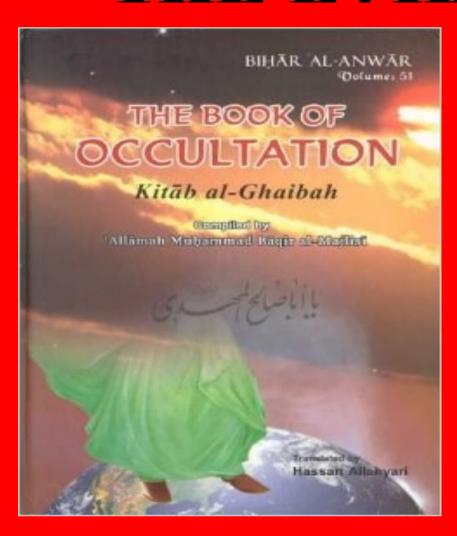




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## THE EVIDENCE OF



#### THE PROMISED MAHDI

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Kitabul Ghaibah - Book of Occultation

Imam Mahdi (a.t.f.s.) - the twelfill: Imam of the Twelver Shia

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## CORRUPT SHIA BELLEFS

- ⇒ The Shia's Mahdi will declare himself to be a Prophet
- ⇒ The Shia's Mahdi will destroy the Ka'bah and the two Holy Mosques of Makkah and Medina
- ⇒ Nabi Mohammad (Sallallahu alayhi wasallam) will return and be the first person to pledge allegiance to the Shia's Imam Mahdi
- ⇒ The Shia's Imam Mahdi will bring the complete, original Quran
- ⇒ The Shia's Mahdi will persecute the Sunni Muslims

(as is happening in Syria)

The Shia's Mahdi wil dig up the graves of the Prophet (Sallallahu alayhi wasallam's) Sahaabah (Companions)

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#### **The Threat of** Shi'asm

The huge onslaught of Shia propaganda needs to be forcefully repelled. The Shia claim that their differences with the Muslim Sunni World are minor and that these differences should be viewed in the same light as the differences which are to be found in the four Madhaahib, is a hollow claim. The differences between the Shias and the Sunnis evolve around Aqaa-id. Some of the shocking evil and blasphemous beliefs of the Shias are hereby recorded with the evidence. The hope is to convince those unfortunate souls who have been duped by the glib Shia propaganda. May Allah Ta'ala grant them the Taufeeq to revert to the correct Aqaa'id. Ameen Since Shia preach Taqiya (concealing one's true beliefs), it is hard to know what a specific Shiite individual truly believes in. The best way to identify a Shia is to observe his friends: If they are from the circle of Shia friends, be cautious. If they love Khomeini, be rest assured that one's Imaan is in danger for Khomaini himself has lauded Mulla Baqir Majlisi who is the author of

Biharul-Anwaar in which the true Shia beliefs are expounded. Khomeini says in his book 'Kashful Asrar'

"Continue reading the Persian books written by Mulla Baqir Majlisi to the Persian speaking people so that you do not fall into the mischief of some kind of foolish-

ness" Kashful Asrar, p. 121 Hereby follows some of the Shia beliefs which are to be found in Biharul-Anwaar and other reliable Shia books. May Allah Ta'ala safeguard our Imaan. Ameen

#### Digging up the graves of the Prophet's Companions

(When Shia's Mahdi) Will come to Yathrib (Medina's old name), and destroy the Al-Hujra Al-Nabawiyya (the Room of Aisha in which Prophet Mohammad (s.a.w.) was buried and later Abu Bakr and Omar were also buried there) and will dig out who is in it while they are lean and will order them to be sent to Al-Baqi and order two pieces of wood to be crucified on them $\cdots$ " (Al-Majlisi, Bihar al-Anwar, Vol. 53, p. 104 -105)

#### Shia's Mahdi will destroy the Ka'bah and the two Holy Mosques of Mecca and Medina

"Al-Qaim (Shia's Mahdi) will demolish Haram Mosque (in Mecca) down to its foundation and the Messenger's Mosque (Prophet Mohammad's s.a.w. Mosque in Medina) down to its foundation." (Al-Majlisi, Bihar al-Anwar, vol.

#### Shia's Imam Mahdi will bring the compete, original Quran

"Al-Qa'im (Imam Mahdi) will bring a new teaching, a new book and a new

law." (Al-Majlisi, Bihar al-Anwar, Vol. (Usool Kaafi, Vol. 1, p. 176) 52, p. 354)

#### Shia's Mahdi will declare himself to be in his creatures and the final authority a prophet

Imam Mahdi will declare himself to be a prophet. (Al-Majlisi, Bihar Al-Anwar, 12. The Hujjat (Ultimate proof) of Vol. 10, p. 550)

#### Shia's believe Prophet Mohammad (p) will be the first person to pledge allegiance to Shia's Imam Mahdi

The first disciple to take a pledge of allegiance (bay'a) to him will be Prophet Mohammad (Al-ajlisi, Bihar Al 14. Every year, in the Night of Power -Anwar, Vol. 52, p. 348) (Note how the Shia's repeatedly use s.a.w. or jus (P) for sending Salaams and Durood upon Nabi Sallallahu alayhi Kaafi, Vol. 1, p. 248) wasallam)

#### The Shia belief concerning the Sahaabah Radiallahu anhum

Our belief about tabarra is that we should loathe the four idols, i.e Abu Bakr, Umar, Uthman and Muawiyah, and the four women i.e Aisha, Hafza, Hind and Umm Hakam, and their followers also, and that these are the worst creatures of God, and that the belief in God, and Messenger and Imams will not be completed till we loathe their these enemies.

#### Khomein's blasphemous belief's laid <u>bare — Shia Imaams are higher than the</u> Qadar before his birth. (Jila-ul-Ambiya!

"It is a fundamental principle of faith that our (Shia) Imams have ranks higher than the ranks of angels & God's prophets." (Khomeini's book, Hukuma Islamiya, p. 52)

#### Other shocking Shia Aqaa'id to be found 21. Imam Mahdi will kill all the Sunni in their authentic books...

1. Imam Ali is God. (Jila-ul-A'yoon, Vol. 2, p. 66, pub. in Pakistan) 2. There is no difference between Ali & Allah. (Jila-ul-A'yoon, Vol. 2, p. 85) 3. Wherever the Quran mentions "Rab" (meaning Lord/God), according to this Shia book, that word should be substituted with Imam Ali's name. (Jila-ul-A'yoon, Vol. 2, p. 66)

- 4. Imam Ali & his descendants are om- 25. The Sun will rise from the West ni-present (everywhere & anytime) and omni-scient (have unlimited knowledge) and these attributes are theirs alone, and therefore are not attributes of Allah. (Jila-ul-A'yoon, Vol. 2, p. 85)
- 5. Imam Ali & his descendent Imams know everything that:
  - (a) happened in the past,
  - (b) is happening now, and
  - (c) will happen in the future.
  - (Usool Kaafi, Vol 1, p260)
- 6. It is a fundamental principle of faith that our (Shia) Imams have ranks higher than the ranks of angels & God's prophets. (Khomeini's book, Hukuma Islamiya, p. 52)
- 7. The Imam possesses more attributes than a Prophet. (Usool Kaafi, Vol.1, p. 388)
- 8. All Imams are equal in rank and status to Prophet Muhammad (s.a. w). (Usool Kaafi, Vol. 1, p. 270) 9. Shia must follow the Imam when he
- is under the state of Taqiya (lying about his true faith). (Usool Kaafi, Vol. 1, p. 40)
- 10. Imams receive divine revelations.

in the affairs of all human beings. (Usool Kaafi, Vol. 1, p. 145) God can not be established without an Imam. (Usool Kaafi, Vol. 1, p. 177) 13. "The acceptance of Ali's Wilaya is as important as the acceptance of the prophethood of the prophets". (Usool Kaafi, Vol. 1, p. 197) (Lailat ul Qadr, which occurs in Ramadan), God sends commandments

15. An Angel provides divine revelations to the Imams in the Night of Power. (Shab-e-Qadar, p.569) 16. An Imam knows his hour of death and his death is under his control. (Usool Kaafi, Vol.1, p. 258) 17. To hide a secret and to weep for the sake of an Imam is considered as Jihad. (Usool Kaafi, Vol. 2, Page. 226) 18. Imam Hussain said "By God, Muawiyah is better than the Shia: they have tried to killed me". (Al-Ehtijaj, Vol. 2, p. 290)

(revelations) to the Imams. (Usool

19. Imam Mahdi recited the Sura-e-Ayoun, Vol. 2, p. 475)

20. When Imam Mahdi comes, he will be naked in daylight. The first disciple to take a pledge of allegiance to him will be prophet Mohammad. (Haqqul Yaqeen, Vol. 2, p. 337) Scholars. (Haq-ul-Yaqeen, p. 527) 22. Imam Mahdi will bring new Sharia (divine law) and commandments. (Behar-ul-Anwaar, Vol. 10, p. 597) 23. Imam Mahdi will declare himself to be a prophet. (Behar-ul-Anwaar, Vol. 10, p. 550)

against all the sins since Adam (a.s). (Basair-ud-Darajat, p. 83) at the time of Imam Mahdi's appearance. (Chawdah Sitaray, p. 585) 26. Imam Mahdi will appear when

24. Imam Mahdi will take revenge

only forty two believing Shia will be left on the face of the Earth. (Chawdah Sitaray, p. 571)

27. All angels will swear allegiance to Imam Mahdi. (Chawdah Sitare p. 594)

28. An Imam talks before being born. (Ahsan-ul-Muqaal, Vol. 1, p. 327) 29. The Imams are NOT born like ordinary human beings from their mothers' wombs. (Jila-ul-A'yoon, Vol 2, p.474)

30. An Imam is born from his mother's thigh (not from his mother's womb). (Ahsan-ul-Muqaal, Vol. 1, p.

31. Yazeed Bin Muawiyah was the real uncle of Imam Ali Akbar bin Hussain (r.a). (Zabhan Azeem, p. 261) 32. Yazeed was the name of Imam Hussain's son. (Tareekul-Ayema, p.

33. There was no horse named Zuljinah in Karbala. (Zabhan Azeem, p. 223)

34. Imams possess authority to declare 11. The Imams are the eyes of the God any thing lawful or unlawful. (Khilaqate-Norania, p. 155)

> 35. Imamate is a divine rank like Prophethood. An Imam is infallible and every creature in the universe is subject to his command and must obey him. (Tohfa Namaz-e-Jaffria, p. 28) 36. Imamate is equal to Prophethood. (Tohfa-tul-Awaam, p. 7)

> 37. All Prophets had to recognize and accept the Wilayat of Ali (meaning that Ali is Wali of Allah) before they were appointed as prophets. (Tareekh-e-Shia, p. 18)

38. Imam Ali (R.A.) was the creation of angel Jibreel (Gabriel). (Al-Majalis Al-Fakhra, p. 128)

39. Imam Ali did Miraaj (made a journey to Heaven during his lifetime) before Prophet Mohammad (s.a.w). (Dewan-e-Jil Ehzan, p. 38)

40. The rank of Ali's Wilayat is higher than prophethood. (Hazaar Tumhari Das Hamari, p. 52)

DO YOU BELIEF THAT SHIAS WITH SUCH BELIEFS CAN BE MUSLIMS?

#### THE MAIN SHIA SECTS

(a) The Twelvers (sometimes called Imamis or Jafaris) are those Shia who believe in twelve divinely-appointed Imams. This is the largest Shia sect today and its adherents represent 90% of the population of Iran, about 55% of the population of Iraq, 55% of the population of Azerbaijan, 27% of the population of Lebanon, with significant presence in Kuwait, Bahrain, and Yem-

(b) Ismailis are those Shia whose line of Imams is continuous. The Agha Khan, a billionaire living in Europe, is their current Imam. They believe that the Quran has a esoteric/hidden meaning that is different from its apparent meaning and only their Imams know this esoteric/hidden meaning, not even prophet Mohammad knew this esoteric/hidden meaning. Today, the largest concentration of Ismailis is in India and Pakistan.

(c) Arab Alawis are a sect founded by Ibn Nusair, that is why Alawis are also called Nusairis. They primarily live in Syria, and to a lesser extent, in Northern Lebanon and Southern Turkey. Even though Alawis constitute not more than 15% of Syria's population, the President of Syria, Bashar Assad, comes from a Alawi family and he maintains his power by relying on the Alawis who hold top leadership positions in the Syrian army and domestic intelligence service. Little is known about the true beliefs of the Alawis because they are secretive. Twelver Shia don't consider Alawis as Shia. (d) Turkish Alewis are a sect that combines Shiism with Sufism. They are very different from the Arab Alawis in terms of their beliefs, even though their name is almost the same. They constitute about 15% of Turkey's population.



## Question & Answers

#### Q: What is the ruling concerning someone who totally denies Sihr?

Answer: The Holy Qur'aan makes explicit mention of the reality of Sihr. "And they used to teach people (the art of) "Sihr" (witchcraft).

A person who denies Sihr, denies an Aayat of the Holy Qur'aan. You can come to your own conclusion if denial of the Holy Qur'aan necessitates renewal of Imaan. Moulana Thanvi Rahmatullahi alayh said that Ulama don't make people Kaafirs, they merely inform them that they have lost their Imaan. No one makes a murderer. A person is labeled as a murderer due to his actions. Similarly a person is labeled as a Kaafir due to his statements and actions.

Question: A certain Aalim says that the MMB should be viewed in the context of Muslims living in a non-Muslim country. He says Figh is a process of evolution. Please comment.

**Answer:** Evolution takes place in Wasaa'il (means and methods), not Masaa-il (rulings). Salaah is Salaah irrespective of how much evolution takes place. The same applies to fasting, Zakaat, Haj, Qurbani, Nikaah, Talaaq, Aqeeqah and Hudood. The Masaa'il will always remain the same. Yes, instead of using pens dipped in ink, we use computers. Instead of using camels, we use vehicles and aircrafts. Instead of using lamps, we use electricity. Evolution of society and technology is not a licence to revolutionise the Deen which was perfected fourteen centuries ago.

Question: Some people maintain that we should be broad- minded and wish the Hindus an "auspicious Diwali". Please comment

Answer: A certain Hindu school teacher wished to colour the brother of Moulana Thanvi Rahmatullahi alavh who was also a school teacher. The brother was very angry at the Hindu. The Hindu laughed and said: "Come on, be a bit broad minded." Moulana's brother spontaneously remarked: "No problem, but remember Bakra Eid is around the corner. I will be sending you a parcel of cow meat. I expect you to be broad minded as well". When the Hindu heard this, he beat a hasty retreat. No, brother, there are limits to broad mindedness. No decent husband will tolerate someone congratulating his wife for a ring bought as a gift for her by a stranger. Where will Allah tolerate a Muslim to congratulate a Mushrik for his celebration of Shirk?

Q: If I go to the website that gives information about the weather, would I be falling out the fold of Islam?

A: When we get to know of the weather, then we do not place full yageen that it will be so. It is done

merely for our information, so we know how to dress, etc. There is no

harm in checking the temperature. If you wish to get a thermometer, it would also be acceptable. You do not fall out of the pale of Islam.

Q. When children wear diapers and the diapers fill up with urine and thereafter they perspire, does this make their clothes as well as items they sit on, e.g. pram, chair, etc. napaak? Do we get napaak by holding them?

A. This all depends on the quality of the diaper. If it is of good quality, it will retain the wetness within and nothing which comes into contact with it will become napaak.

If, however, the diaper is of inferior quality and the urine moisture filters through or leaks out through the thigh area, then obviously this napaak moisture will soil whatever comes into contact with it.

**Question:** Does laughing break the

Answer: If on laughs so loud that he hears himself without the people around him hearing him, his salaat only, will break. If he laughs so loud that the people around him hear him laugh, then his wudhu and salaat break. If he smiles with no sound, his salaat nor wudhu break. If one laughs in salaat, thinking low of the salaat, his Iemaan leaves him (He becomes murtadd).

Q. I have noticed some Imams exaggerating the madd-e-asli to retain their melody and tune in the Qiraat and this is particularly apparent at the end of certain Aayaat. Is this permissible?

A. If the letters or madd-e-asli are lengthened or shortened to such a degree that the words and meanings are distorted then the Salaat of such "qaaris" is not valid. In this case how can the muqtadis' salaah be valid? If the meaning is not distorted by such exaggerated accentuation of the huroof (letters) then the Salaat will be valid, albeit severely reprehensible.

Q: What is the mas-alah pertaining to skipping a Surah and reciting another Surah in the second Rakaat? A person read Surah Itha Jaa'a Nasrullahi ... in the first Rakaat and Surah Qul Huwallaahu Ahad in the second Rakaat. Is this in order?

It is best to recite the next Surah in the second Rakaat, Surah Tabbat Yadaa in the question. Omitting two or more Surahs in between is also perfectly permissible. In the case of omitting just one Surah, if the Surah omitted is much lengthier than the previous Surah then omitting this longer Surah will also be permissible without any karaahat (reprehensible). The instance of karaahat is when the Surah omitted is shorter or equal or only slightly longer than the previous Surah. In these cases it will be Makrooh-e-Tanzeehi to omit that Surah. This mas-alah applies to Fardh Salaats, not to Nafl Salaats.

TITITITI

Q. In the Tafseer of the Aayat: "Verily you (O Muhammad) have a sublime character," it is reported that Hazrat Aishah Siddeeqah (Radhiyallahu anha) said: "Rasoolullah's practice on the Qur'aan was natural." It is a principle in the Shariah however that rendering Ibaadat in opposition to one's nature is more meritorious than rendering Ibaadat when it has become a natural practice to one. Hence in the Kitaab on Agaaid, Sharhul Agaaid An-Nasafi it is stated that man is superior to the Malaaikah in view of the Ibaadat of the Malaaikah being their natural disposition. The question that follows is that, Na'oothu Billah, is Rasoolullah's Ibaadat of an inferior category in view of what Hazrat Aishah (Radhiyallahu anha) said?

**A.** The words of the Hadeeth read: "His character was the Qur'aan." Character signifies a trait that has become deep-rooted and which is acquired and is the fruits of diligence. It becomes second-nature, not nature itself. Your question is as a result of understanding second-nature to be a natural disposition. Something becoming second-nature is the product of undergoing voluntary difficulty. This is the yardstick. Hence Allah Ta' ala tells His Nabi: "Once you have completed (your task for the day, i.e. tableegh of Islam) then exert yourself (in the Ibaadat of your Rabb)." Similarly, there are other Aayaat and Ahadeeth which speak of Rasoolullah (Sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) undergoing difficulty in Ibaadat. Thus, Ibaadat was not a non-volitional propensity in him as it is with the Malaaikah. The Ibaadat rendered by Rasoolullah was therefore of sublime standard and he will receive the greatest reward for his mujaahadah [self-discipline]. Question: What will be deemed as

Amal-e-katheer in salaat?

**Answer:** Whatever the person deems to be excessive in his disretion, will be 'amal-e-katheer. Amal-e-katheer means to do something not part of salaat, for example scratching. If you feel guilty that you have over done the action of scratching, your salaat will be faasid.

Question: Do I have to inform the person I give Zakaat to, that it is Zakaat?

Answer: No, you do not have to inform him. In fact, it is better not to inform him.

Question: After giving Zakaat, it came to my attention that the person was not qualified. What do I do now? Answer: Your Zakaat has been discharged. You have received every cent's Thawaab. Grieve not!

Question: A poor person has a T.V. Can I give him Zakaat?

**Answer:** The T.V. is a Haraam, evil and excess item. If the value of it is added to other Zakaat assets and the net amount reaches the Nisaab amount, then that person will not qualify for Zakaat. Example: A poor person owns two thousand rands. He has a T.V. worth R5000. The Nisaab is, for instance, R2500. This poor person will not qualify for Zakaat.

Question: If a woman in haidh performs Tawaafe ziyaarah, will her Hajj be complete?

**Answer:** She will come out of Ihraam by making the tawaaf in the state of haidh, but she will have to slaughter a camel or a cow as a penalty which is called, Budnah.

#### Question:

I would like to know if you are allowed to use the wedding ring as mehr?

#### Answer:

Mehr is the amount or item agreed upon at the time of nikaah which the husband has to give the wife. If the nikaah was conducted with the parties agreeing to the mehr being a ring, then giving a ring will be incumbent. If a sum of money or certain item was agreed upon, the husband does not have the right to arbitrarily change the agreed mehr and give something else. It is not permissible for him to say after the mehr was finalized that the wedding ring he is giving or gave is in lieu of the mehr, whereas the mehr agreed upon at the time of nikaah was something else. It should also be observed that the

wedding ring ritual is a kuffaar practice which Muslims should not imitate. We have our own sacrosanct and noble practices to follow. We are not in need of borrowing and aping the norms of the kuffaar in their marriage practices. Whilst it is permissible for the husband to give his wife a ring at any time, it is not permissible to observe any wedding ring custom.

Question: What is Tasawwuf? **Answer:** Tasawwuf is that part of Islam which deals with the rectification and reformation of Akhlaaq. (character). Tasawwuf teaches a person to control his nafs against evil traits such as anger, pride, greed and jealousy. Tasawwuf also teaches one to adorn his soul with virtues qualities such as humility, Khauf (the fear of Allah Ta'aala). Hilm (tolerance) and Shukr (gratitude).

Question: A certain Sheikh and Khalifa is upset because some Mureeds left him. Please comment

**Answer:** A sincere Sheikh will never mind a Mureed leaving him. In fact, he will be relieved and wish the Mureed well. Moulana Maseehullah Rahmatullahi alayh said that making Mureeds has become a "khel" (sport) and Khilaafat has become "sasta" (cheap).



## THE HALAAL SAGA!!! THE ISRAELI DIMENSION...



The following letter was received from a brother Ahmed Laher. (Articles by this sincere brother could be googled at Ahmed Laher)

"SANHA, has just completed it's much hyped PR exercise in Klerksdorp's Manzilpark Masjid on the evening of 19th November, 2013. It's posters, advertising the event, proffered that this PR Q & A event would help attendees "break free" from the chains of "misinformation, myth, fiction" etc.

It proved to be anything but a liberating experience.

On my question of why SANHA had seen fit to provide Halaal certification for several Israeli products produced on stolen Palestinian land (all of post

1948 Israel is illegitimately occupied Palestinian territory), SANHA once again revealed it's true no name brand (NNB) colours.

"Our job is only to verify and certify irrespective of where the product originates from". To add insult to injury SANHA's Moulana Seedat, to great incredulity, further likened certifying Zionist Israeli products to certifying products and institutions of non-practicing and sinful Muslim individuals.

This was the shocking response of this purportedly 'Muslim' organization, flying in the face of the unanimous worldwide boycott *(and non recognition)* of the illegitimate Zionist entity by Muslims as well as a growing number of non-Muslims.

On my follow up question of why SANHA saw fit to accord its stamp of approval to the Israeli range of CHILLA drinks, despite the deviousness of CHILLA's producers in intentionally not stating the country of origin on the product, in contravention of accepted international norms, (which deception SANHA was well aware of), there was no direct answer but a weak kneed attempt to deflect the question.

When asked why SANHA had just not exercised it's free option to withhold certification and in doing so denying the illegitimate fruit of the Zionist occupation of Palestine access to the Muslim market, SANHA's Moulana Seedat once again engaged in deliberate obfuscation and pointedly refused to allow me any further follow up on the subject.

Thereafter, every time I tried to ask any other question I was intentionally sidelined by the PR Molvi, who acted as judge, jury and executioner. All the PR show proved is that, on issues of immense concern to Muslim's and all justice loving people, SANHA is neither here nor there, a true NNB.

Remaining neutral in the face of oppression is tantamount to aiding the oppressor. Going one step further and providing a marketing platform to an open, unrepentant oppressor of human beings, Muslim or non-Muslim, is direct aid to the oppressor.

By openly defying the boycott and embargo campaign against the illegitimate Zionist cancer destroying the heart of the Muslim world, SANHA has proved once and for all that it's only objective is money, irrespective of whose broken body it tramples on in the process of grabbing as much of the loot as it can. After this clear proof of SANHA's purely mercenary motives, can I ever trust a SANHA certificate again? I am more convinced than ever that the proper Muslim response to any SANHA certificate should be 'exercise caution' and 'it's advisable to abstain'. Please feel free, at any time, to request extensive documentation I have of SANHA's sickening carrion halaalizing shenanigans.

#### "HALAAL"

# PORK -VARK BOEREWORS! YET ANOTHER MJC 'HALAAL' PORK DEBACLE. WHERE WAS THE PROMISED "STRICT SUPERVISION"?

"Halaal? Wors found in Shoprite Checkers Kenilworth, Cape Town, 09 April 2014"

Hadhrat ibn Abb<u>a</u>s Radiallahu anhu said that the last verse revealed was:

"Fear the day when you shall be returned to Allah, then each soul shall be paid what it has earned, and they shall not be wronged."
(2.281)

CAN SILENCE
BE AN
OPTION?



#### **PORK...27%**



Assalamu alaykum

In am writing on behalf of a group of Ulama who wish to bring to the notice of the public the following extracts from Sanha's website:





"The South African National Halaal Authority (SANHA) is an international, non-profit organisation, <u>representing the Muslim Ummah</u> on all matters pertaining to the general application of the term Halaal with specific reference to Islamic dietary laws."

Sanha's claim that they represent the Muslim Ummah is a clear example of the deception which they regularly indulge in. On its webs site Sanha claims "SANHA's membership comprises of leading Theological Bodies...". The TRUTH is that only a minority of Ulama from ONE theological body, the Jamiatul Ulama of Fordsburg, supports Sanha.

Sanha refuses to support the BDS campaign against the brutal occupation of Palestine, something which the entire Ummahs supports. Yet Sanha has the nerve to claim *that they represent the Muslim Ummah*!

Sanha is quick to brand any opposition to it's confusing policies as extremist or a conspiracy. That Radio Islam is a tool of Sanha is clear. An example is the propaganda by Radio Islam that Mufti Sanjalvi Rahamatullahi alayh approved the certification of commercial chickens.

Why does Radio Islam not propagate the view of Hadhrat Moulana Abdul Hameed, the respected rector of Darul Uloom Azaadville, who publicly refuted Sanha's claim against his Ustaad, who longer can defend himself?

Was-salaam Moulana Yusuf Mohamed

## YOU BE THE JUDGE! Compare the two methods...The QUR'AANIC "Halaal and Tayyib" Sunnah Method

- ⇒ Knife not to be sharpened in front of animal
- ⇒ Birds must not see another being slaughtered
- $\Rightarrow$  Birds must face Qibla
- ⇒ Tasmiyah to be verbally recited (audibly for *each and every bird being slaughtered)*
- $\Rightarrow$  Birds to be taken to death with dignity
- Birds to be treated humanely (no stunning etc)
- $\Rightarrow$  Birds to be slaughtered with ease & given water to drink before thabah
  - Birds must necessarily be Healthy and disease free
- ⇒ Chickens to be constantly under Muslim supervision

## and the un-Islamic so called "Halaal and Tayyib" method

- ♦ Knife sharpened in front of animal and birds are slaughtered in full view of the other animals
- ♦ The Qibla is deliberately abandoned and birds face any direction
- ◆ Tasmiyah is not recited on every bird (as per affidavits from dozens of slaughterers from different plants and the illogical claim that 40 birds are comfortably slaughtered per minute)
- Birds are cruelly dragged & shackled up-side down on conveyor belts
- Birds are stunned / electrocuted and slaughtered in motion at fast speed
- Before removing any impurities from inside the stomach, poultry is immersed into very hot filthy water to facilitate the feather peeling process.
- Birds live their entire lives in very confined space, fed massive doses of antibiotics, literally live in and eat their own filth and feaces.
- Birds are sold to non-Muslim outlets where no proper supervision takes place.





### 'Domestic Affairs The Noble Kusband

When asked about the behaviour of the Holy Prophet Sallallahu alayhi wasallam, Hadhrat 'A'ishah radiallahu anha is reported to have replied: "He excelled all men in gentle speech, smiling countenance and cheerful temperament." (Sahih Muslim Mawahib-ud-*Dunya.* Vol.1, p.293)

Only those who want true peace and tranquillity in their lives will appreciate the conduct of Nabi Sallallahu alaihi wasallam. Only those who have a deep yearning for meeting Allah Ta'ala will make a serious attempt to emulate Nabi Sallallahu alaihi wasallam. Only those who Fear the Great Reckoning of Qiyamah, will heed of the advice of Nabi Sallallahu alaihi wasallam. And only those whose hearts have been watered with the Thikr of Allah, Most High, will bear the fruits of the advices of Nabi Sallallahu alaihi wasallam.

Did Allah, Most High not inform us that:

"Verily in the messenger of Allah you have a good example for those who yearn for Allah and the last Day, and remember Allah much." (Holy Qur'an 33: 21)

Is it any wonder that when a Nikaah is performed, of the three Aayat that are recited, one pertains to speech. Thus, the groom is appropriately reminded of Allah's command:

"O believers fear Allah and speak righteously" The groom is exhorted to speak correctly, gently, tenderly and kindly so that his marriage may survive the tricks and traps of Shaytaan, the ebb and flow of difficulties and trials, and the somewhat unpredictable nature of his spouse.

Nabi Sallallahu alaihi wasallam has not compared a woman to glass (in fragility) for nothing. The hammer of harsh speech will crack the glass and all that eventually remains will be the shattered pieces

which will pierce the joy of living until death. Ask any wife how her heart burns and cries when her husband uses rough, demeaning and hurtful words when addressing her. Ask any wife how her heart feels when her husband screams, shouts and bellows at her. Ask any wife how she feels when she is blamed endlessly and ridiculed continuously and insulted incessantly. The husband feels he is at liberty to speak as he pleases when annoyed. And yet, look at the noble conduct of the person whose Prophethood we bear witness to in Athaan, Iqamah, in Salaah and in the very basic Shaahadah of

Gentle speech is one quality described by Hadhrat 'A'ishah radiallahu anha in the Hadith quoted. Nabi (Sallallahu alaihi wasallam) was gentle, o yes, so gentle was he that he never raised his voice nor screamed at any of his wives - despite them at times offending him. Sometimes they wanted a larger stipend, at other times they gave vent to their jealousy due to their immense love for him. He saw, he listened and he smiled...again and again and again. They tired but not he - this man, Muhammed Sallallahu alaihi wasallam. Is it any wonder that the angels shower Durood and Salaams upon him until the Day of Qiyamah!

Nabi Sallallahu alaihi wasallam rightfully expected the Ummah to follow his example. He feared the Ummah oppressing their wives.

Thus, in his farewell message, he advised and reminded all the husbands:

"O People! Fear Allah with regard to your wives. You have taken them into your possession [marriage] with the permission of Allah."

In short, what was he saying? He (Sallallahu alaihi wasallam) was saying that if you abuse your wife, it is a sign that you do not fear Allah. If you speak harshly and inconsiderately to her, it is a sign that you do not fear Allah. A husband who fears Allah will speak kindly to his wife. A husband who fears Allah will speak gently to his wife. A husband who fears

alaihi wa sallam)!!! He never cursed, swore, hit and went into tantrums. This is the noble character we should follow.

What did Rasoolullah (Sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) exhort his Ummah with in Hajjatul Widaa'? He proclaimed before the Ummah: "Accept from me naseehat of treating them with khair."

Rasoolullah (Sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) used the word 'Khair' which is so embracing. It covers all forms of good. In other words Rasoolullah (Sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) impressed upon his followers and gave wasiyyat to his Ummah to do everything good to their wives. This is how this Holy Bond subsists and bears fruit. A domineering attitude is doomed.

This may come to you as a shocker but the truth is that wives have a right to even speak boisterously to their husbands. Listen to this: When the baraa-at of Hazrat Aishah was revealed and her mother told her to thank Rasoolullah (Sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) she point blankly said: "Wallah, I am not going to stand up and thank him. I only thank Allah Azza Wa Jall Who has exonerated

Hazrat Thanwi comments: "Apparently this is a severe statement on the face of Rasoolullah (sallallahu alaihi wa sallam)…but Rasoolullah (Sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) was not perturbed and grieved at all because this was out of the jealous notion of women that they possess their husbands."

their right. Read the kitaab Huqooq-e-Mu'aasharat. It is of tremendous benefit to all husbands, Insha-Allah.

Allah, will converse with tenderness with his wife. No matter what the situation may be, there simply is no licence for a Muslim husband to wield the sword of the tongue on the heart of a wife.

For a Muslim, a true Muslim, understands that he has only taken possession of his wife with Allah's permission. For a true Muslim knows, that she and her heart are an Amaanah of Allah. And for a true Muslim understands that he will not live forever and Allah Most High, unto whom he will return, will most certainly question him with regards to His Amaanah. She went into his temporary possession with the permission of Allah, he did not own her, he was merely supposed to be a keeper.

How strange is it not that with his friends the husband is as calm as a pond, but with his wife he is a raging angry ocean. How strange is it not that with his friends he is a mountain of tolerance but with his wife, he is as furious as a wounded lion. How strange is it not that with his friends he is as kind as a kitten but with the one that bore him his children, he is as cruel as a bitter cucumber.

Gentle speech: a few kind words; a tender tone; a soft pitch - So precious, yet treated so worthless. So important, yet so neglected. So simple, yet so rare. Even a dog does not like to be shouted at. Gentle speech indicates concern, it gives of a fragrance of care, it is the sign of a compassionate heart, it is the glue of love. When there is no compassion in speech from where will the heart find its radiance to glow with love. Where will a marriage succeed?

#### NOT YET MARRIED, NO NEED TO PANIC (by anonymous)

#### There Is Nothing Wrong with You!

Although self-confidence is, admittedly, an effective catalyst in finding a spouse, believe me when I tell you that you are not ugly, weird, unattractive, or unworthy of marriage! Allah Ta'ala created the beautiful, unique you, and if He decrees it, someone out there will agree to marry you just the way you are.

So do not despair of Allah's mercy, and remain positive that someone out there will agree to marry you, insha'Allah. Look around you at recently married or even older couples. Are all of them very good looking? Don't both of the partners seem to have at least one physical defect or blemish? Husbands who are shorter than their wives; wives who are older than their husbands; men who are in love with their plussize or dark-skinned wives; wives who are more educated than their husbands;

#### Divine Wisdom behind "Delays" in Marriage

"Why doesn't anyone take a liking to her? Do you think she intimidates suitors because she is over-educated?" "Do you think there is magic involved? Should we visit a spiritual specialist to find out?" "Maybe he is socially awkward? Or could it be that big bald spot on his head that chases proposals away?" at 50 or 60, as is observed.

Becoming Mature and Responsible Enough First

It is not that Allah Ta'ala is not answering your du'as. Maybe He has already accepted your du'as for marriage with a righteous person, but it will actually happen practically after a few more years, when it is best and easiest for you to enter this sacred union with that person. One of the main reasons why Allah Ta'ala might be delaying your marriage is to reach certain level of physical, intellectual, financial and emotional maturity. He knows everything about you that even you do not know, which is called 'the Unseen', or "ghaib" in Arabic. (continued page 9)

#### Moulana Thanvi Rahmatullahi alayh: WOMEN'S SHAR'I RIGHTS: NOT ONLY FOOD, CLOTHING AND SHELTER...

Remember that marriage is not only giving the wife naan-nafqah and fulfilling one's carnal passions. In fact, open Imdaadul Fataawa and see what the first right is. Hazrat Thanwi (Rahmatullahi alaih) lists numerous rights of the wife. The first right he lists is: to approach the wife with beautiful character and to treat her in a beautiful manner.

This is the major reason for the divorce crisis endemic in our community. The man thinks, and all the parties think, of naan-nafgah, but the first right of beautiful character is conveniently ignored. If a boy does not have beautiful character he is neither ready for nikaah and nor should his proposal be accepted.

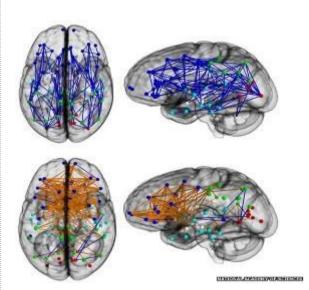
Then listen to the second right Hazrat Hakeemul Ummat lists: to tolerate the difficulties the wife gives.

It is a foregone conclusion that there will be circumstances when the husband will be hurt by what the wife says or does, but this has to be tolerated in a civil and beautiful manner. In these times lifting the hands on the wife is symbolical of 'talaaq' and hatred. Love should be inculcated and fostered. Fostering love can never be through beating and reviling the wife.

In Rasoolullah (Sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) we have the most beautiful conduct and example. Hazrat Thanwi explains beautifully that this is Although his wives hurt him on occasions - just imagine, the Greatest of all mankind being hurt but just see the reaction of Rasoolullah (Sallallahu



## Men and women's brains are 'wired differently'



#### Men and women's brains are connected in different ways which may explain why the sexes excel at certain tasks, say researchers.

A US team at the University of Pennsylvania scanned the brains of nearly 1,000 men, women, boys and girls and found striking differences.

The research was carried out on 949 individuals - 521 females and 428 males - aged between 8 and 22. The brain differences between the sexes only became apparent after adolescence, the study found.

A special brain-scanning technique called diffusion tensor imaging, which can measure the flow of water along a nerve pathway, established the level of connectivity between nearly 100 regions of the brain, creating a neural map of the brain called the "connectome", Professor Verma said.

"It tells you whether one region of the brain is physically connected to another part of the brain and you can get significant differences between two populations," Professor Verma said.

"In women most of the connections go between left and right across the two hemispheres while in men most of the connections go between the front and the back of the brain," she said.

Because the female connections link the left hemisphere, which is associated with logical thinking, with the right, which is linked with intuition, this could help to explain why women tend to do better than men at intuitive tasks, she added.

"Intuition is thinking without thinking. It's what people call gut feelings. Women tend to be better than men at these kinds of skill which are linked with being good mothers," Professor Verma said.

Many previous psychological studies have revealed significant differences between the sexes in the ability to perform various cognitive tests.

Men tend to outperform women involving spatial tasks

and motor skills - such as map reading - while women tend to better in memory tests, such as remembering words and faces, and social cognition tests, which try to measure empathy and "emotional intelligence".

A separate study published last month found that the genes expressed in the human brain did so differently in men and women. Post-mortem tests on the brain and spinal cord of 100 individuals showed significant genetic differences between the sexes, which could account for the observed gender differences in neurological disorders.

#### Psychology:

- Man has a greater preference for physical exercise, hunting, tasks involving movement, than a woman.
- 2. The sentiments of man are challenging and war-like, while the sentiments of woman are peaceable and convivial. Man is more aggressive and quarrelsome, and woman is more quiet and more calm. A woman refrains from taking drastic action, both with regard to others and with regard to herself, and this is the reason for the smaller number of suicides in women than in man. In a mood for suicide, man will take a hastier course in comparison with woman. Men will use a gun, hang themselves, shoot themselves, or jump from the top of a lofty building, while women tend to use sleeping pills, poison, and so forth, in such a crisis.
- 3. Her sentiments are excited sooner than those of man; that is, a woman, in matters with which she is involved or of which she is afraid reacts sooner and with more acuteness just as she feels, while a man is more cool headed.
- 4. A woman is naturally more disposed than a man towards decoration, ornaments, beautification, adornment and dress.
- 5. The feelings of woman are more transient than
- 6. Woman is more cautious, more religious, more talkative, more timid and more formal than man.
- 7. The feelings of a woman are motherly and these feelings are clearly visible in her childhood.
- 8. Woman is more concerned with the family, and her attention is subconsciously directed more than man towards the importance of a home.
- 9. In activities based on reasoning, and in abstruse intellectual problems, woman cannot equal man but in literature, painting and all matters that are related to aesthetics, she is not behind man.
- 10. Man has more ability to keep a secret than woman and he keeps unpleasant private matters to himself better than a woman. This is the reason why men are victims to some psychological illnesses more than women. These illnesses develop as a result of his keeping his confidences to himself. Woman is more soft-hearted, and instantly resorts to weeping, and occasionally to fainting.

#### Feeling towards each other

- 1. Man is the slave of his own passions and woman holds herself fast in the love of man.
- 2. A man loves a woman, because he has admired her or chosen her while a woman loves a man because she has perceived his worth or has previously made an avowal of her sincerity.
- 3. Man wants to take possession of the person of the woman and to wield power over her, and woman wants to conquer the heart of man and prevail upon him through his heart.
- 4. Man wants to master woman through her head, and woman wants to influence man through his heart.
- 5. Man has a desire to embrace woman and woman has a desire to be embraced.
- 6. Woman desires to see bravery and courage in man and man wants to see elegance and charm in woman.
- 7. Woman considers the support of a man the most valuable thing for her.

#### Physique

- 1. Man, normally, is of a larger frame and woman has a smaller body; man is taller and woman is shorter.
- 2. A man is more coarse and woman is more delicate; man has a stronger voice and is harsh in his tone, while woman is more soft speaking and more melodious in her voice
- 3.; the development of a woman's body takes place sooner than the development of man's body to the extent that it is universally said that the fetus of a girl develops sooner than that of a boy.
- 4. The muscular development and strength of a man's body is greater than that of a woman.
- 5. A woman's power of resistance to many diseases is greater than a man's.
- 6. Woman reaches the age of puberty earlier than man, and also becomes unproductive sooner as regards the reproduction powers. A girl starts speaking earlier than a boy.
- 7. The normal brain of a man is larger than the normal brain of a woman, but with attention to the proportional size of their bodies, the brain of a woman is larger than that of a
- 8. The lungs of a man have the capacity to inhale more air than the lungs of a woman.
- 9. A woman's heartbeat is quicker than a man's.

#### ISLAAH OF COUPLES

- ⇒ The above article is sufficient to make the Islaah (reform) of couples who regularly fight.
- ⇒ The brains and physique, the psychology and emotions, the actions and re-actions of each married partner differ.
- ⇒ Both the husband and wife should repeatedly remind themselves: "We are wired differently. I should not take offence if there is a different view".

  This pertains to non-Shar'i matters.
- Accept those differences though it may be bitter at times. Our Nabi Salallahu alayhi wasallam informed men that a woman has been created from a rib and any attempt to straighten the rib will lead to a breakdown in the marriage.
- ⇒ Much rewards have been promised to both the husband and the wife for exercising Sabr. The wife should think if she pleases her husband, she will enter into Jannah from any one of the eight gates. The husband should think that Rasullullah Sallallahu alayhi wasallam said that the one who is most kind to his wife, is the closest to him (Sallallahu layhi wasallam)
- ⇒ Console oneself that this World in an imperfect place. To expect a perfect marriage is unreasonable.



#### SUCCESS OF THIS UMMAH...

In Surah Yaseen, Allah Ta'ala says: "And did I not take a pledge from you, O Bani Aadam (offspring of Aadam), that you will **not worship**Shaytaan. Verily he is your open enemy. And that you will worship Me.

This is the Seeratal Mustageem"

When a person takes time, creates the space and makes a sincere effort to comply to the orders of Allah Ta'ala, he, in essence, is worshipping Allah Ta'ala. In proportion to the degree of submission, does the Pleasure of Allah Ta'ala, trickle and dribble into his heart.

The more meticulous the Ibaadah, (think of complying to the Mustahabs, Nafls, Aadaab etc and of abstaining from the Mushtabaah, Makroohaat and Fudhool etc), the greater the Pleasure of Allah Ta'ala. And when we please Allah Ta'ala, then His Mercy and Divine Aid cascades down. Upon this Nusrat, true success is based.

Every Muslim understands and accepts that NOTHING happens without the EXPRESS AND DIRECT WILL OF ALLAH TA'ALA. A mirror does not contain an object, it merely reflects the object. Similarly, what we observe, is the reflection of Allah's Divine Will of our actions.

We, as individuals and as an Ummah, desperately need that Divine Will, that "KUN, FA-YA-KUN" (BE AND IT BECOMES) to favour us. But that favour is dependent upon treading the path of righteousness. "And show us the righteous path...the path of those whom You favoured" we cry out in every Salaah when we recite Suraah Fatiha. Alas! The majority of us perform immoral deeds which instead of pleasing Allah Ta'ala, pleases Shaytaan. We disobey Allah Ta'ala and thus earn Shaytaans pleasure. Worse still, we celebrate our disobedience. And even more worse, we propagate our disobedience. And if we think that there can be no lower level of rebellion, then think again. Do we not embrace Shaytaan by defending the wrongs we commit? As if that is not bad enough, we further stifle and smother our souls and blow at the flickering flame of our Imaan by justifying our wrongs. Thus, Shaytaan succeeds in recruiting us to his army of Ins (Humans),

We are anything but real humans. Just look around at the wars and the misery which Mankind is experiencing. Look at the blood shed which colours the earth red and which makes animals even shake their heads with shame.

which the Holy Qur'aan speaks of.

Rage needs to be expressed for the soul can only bear so much. This does not mean that every one should rush to wage Jihaad. Almost every Jihaadi movement has failed. And why not, when they generally have not tamed their Nafs. Did Nabi Sallallahu alayhi wasallam not instruct the Sahaabahs to tame their Nafs and rein in the anger when they were oppressed by the Makkans?

Thirteen long years of intensive training was given before they were permitted to defend themselves.

Here we have, in the name of Jihaad, a Muslim man eating the liver of another Muslim. Here we have truly innocent women and children and babies killed. Was this the teachings of the Leader on Mankind, of the one whom Allah Ta'ala sent as a Mercy unto Mankind?

Palestine cries. Masjid-e-Aqsa weeps. Time ticks. The enemy is full of tricks. Soon the Masjid could be occupied by the Yahood. We do need Divine Aid. However, the Ummah's deeds are as such that they do not deserve Divine Aid. Salaah is neglected by the overwhelming majority. Television is given preference to Salaah. The Sunnah is shunned and shaved to such an extent that the person is bare of any identification of being a Muslim.

We play games with Allah's Deen. We experiment with it and chop and change until it suits us and society. The Sunnah is a burden. Instead of Nabi Muhammed Sallallahu alayhi wasallam being our example, actors and sportsmen have taken over. Allah's "special forces" who aided the Muslims in Badr etc. are still around awaiting instructions. But unfortunately, there are very few true Muslims.

The enemies of Islam were meant to be guided by Muslims towards Allah and His Rasool Sallallahu alayhi wasallam. This Ummah was supposed to be the Best of Ummats.

This Ummah was created to guide each and every human being towards the goodness and greatness of Islam. But the guides themselves have lost their way.

Mankind is experiencing a darkness which no sun can remove. Mankind is hopelessly lost. He helplessly seeks to fathom some system to contain the utter rot.

Islam is the only answer. We as Muslims know it. Tens of thousands of reverts swear by it. Many non-Muslims secretly admire Islam. It is for no reason that Islam is the fastest growing religion in the World.

We have it all, but we do not seem to grasp and appreciate what we have. Islam is a vessel, and sadly its adherents are polluted.

May we Muslims turn unto Allah and purify ourselves so that we may reap the PROMISED SUCCESS and be a beacon unto others. Ameen

## DEEDS WHICH LEAD TO SUCCESS AND ATTRACTS ALLAH'S AID...

Below is a list of deeds sourced from the Holy Qur'aan and the Sunnah These deeds Please Allah Ta'ala.

This chart is meant to serve as a guide Slowly but surely, we can build and make our Imaan stronger, and reap the fruits of Allah's Pleasure, Insha-Allah.

Salaahs	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur
Tahajjud							
Fajr							
Ishraaq							
Chasht							
Zohr							
Asr							
Maghrieb							
Awwabien							
Esha							
Salaatul Wudhu							
Salaatul Masjied							
Salaatus Shukr							
Salaatul Haajaat							
Tilaawat (Amount)							
Yaseen							
Suraah Waqi'ah							
Suraah Mulk							
Surrah Sajdah							
Surah (Kahf)							
Istighfaar							
Durood Sharief							
Third Kalima							
Fourth kalima							
Zikr of Lailaha-illallah							
Sunnats							
Dressing							
Eating							
Sleeping							
Awakening							
Bathroom							
Kind Speech							
Tolerance / Sabr							
Pious Companionship							
Du'aa							





#### Success of this Ummah, the fight against the nafs

#### 1. Tahajjud

Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) has said: "The most virtuous of fasts after Ramadaan is the month of Allah, i.e. Muharram and the most virtuous of Salaah after The Fardh Salaah is the Salaah of the night. (i.e. Tahajjud) (Muslim)

#### 2. Fajr

Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) has said: He who performs Fajr Salaah with Jamaat (in congregation), it is as if he has performed Salaah the entire night. (Muslim - Bavhaqi)

Rasulullah (Sallallahu alayhi Wasallam) said: "he who performs Fajr Salaah, is in the protection of Allah" Rasulullah (Sallallahu alayhi Wasallam) said: "he who performs Fajr Salaah, is under the protection of Allah. So Allah does not demand from you anything with regards to his protection for verily, the one from whom Allah Ta'ala demands anything with regards to his protection, Allah will seize him, and then Allah will throw him upside down on his face into the Fire of Jahaanam."

#### 3. Ishraaq Salaah

Anas ibn Maalik (may Allah be pleased with him) said: The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: "Whoever performs Fajr Salaah in congregation then sits remembering Allah until the sun rises, then performs two rakaats (known as Ishraaq), will have a reward like that of Hajj and 'Umrah." He said: The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: "In full, in full, in full." (Tirmizi)

#### 4. Chaasht Salaah

It is narrated from Hazrat abu Zarr Radhiyallahu anhu from Nabi Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam that he said: "In the morning, charity is due on every joint of the body of everyone of you. Every utterance of Allah's Glorification (i.e., saying Subhan Allah) is an act of charity, and every utterance of His Praise (i.e., saying Alhamdu lillah) is an act of charity and every utterance of declaration of His Greatness (i.e., saying La ilaha illAllah) is an act of charity; and (Amr Bil Mar'oof) enjoining good is an act of charity, and (Nahi Anil Munkar) forbidding evil is an act of charity, and two Rakaats (Salaatud Duha) which one performs (at the time of Chaasht) suffices for all of this.

#### 5. Zuhr Salaah

Narated By Abu Huraira : Allah's Apostle said, "If the people knew the reward for pronouncing the Adhan and for standing in the first row (in congregational prayers) and found no other way to get that except by drawing lots they would draw lots, and if they knew the reward of the Zuhr prayer (in the early moments of its stated time) they would race for it (go early) and if they knew the reward of 'Isha and Fajr (morning) prayers in congregation, they would come to offer them even if they had to crawl. (Bukhari )

#### 6. Asr Salaah

Hazrat Abu Musa (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: Nabi Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam said, "He who performs the two cool Salaahs (i.e., Fair and Asr prayers) ,will enter Jannah." (Al-Bukhari and Muslim)

#### 7. Maghrib Salaah

Hazrat Abu Ayyub (R.A.) narrates that: "Did you hear Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) say that: "My Ummah will continue to be on good or he said on Fitrah, as long as they do not delay Maghrib Salaah till the stars become apparent." (Abu Dawood)

#### 8. Awwaabeen Salaah

Sayyiduna Ammaar ibn Yaasir (Radhiallaahu Anhu) narrates that Rasulullah (Sallallaahu Alayhi Wasallam) said, 'Whosoever performs 6 Rakaats after Maghrib Salaat, all his sins will be forgiven even if they equal the foam of the sea.' (Tabrani)

#### 9. Esha Salaah

It has been narrated by Abu Hurairah (R.A.) that Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) said: "There is no Sa-

laah that is more burdensome on a Munaafiq (hypocrite) than the Fajr and Eshaa Salaah. If they knew the virtue of these Salaah they would perform them even if they had to come to the Masjid crawling." (Bukhari)

#### 10. Tahiyyatul Wudhu/ Salaatul Wudhu

Hazrat Abu Hurairah (Radhiyallahu Anhu) narrates that Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) said to Bilal (Radhiyallahu Anhu) at the time of Fajr Salaah: "O Bilal! Tell me about the most promising action (that action which one would deem to be the most rewarding) which you have committed in Islam, for verily in Jannah, I heard the sound of your shoes in front of me." He (Hazrat Bilal) said: "I have not perpetrated any action upon which I have the most hope/ anticipation (for reward) besides that certainly I do not perform Wudhu during any moment of the night or the day except that by virtue of that Wudhu I perform that amount of Salaah which has been written/ ordained/destined for me to perform. (Muslim)

#### 11. Salaatul Masjid

Hazrat Abu Dhar (Radhiyallahu Anhu) has said, "I entered the Masjid, and saw the Messenger of Allah (Allah bless him and give him peace) sitting alone, so he said: 'Oh Abu Dhar, Undoubtedly, the Masjid has a greeting, and indeed its greeting is two rak'aats, so stand up and perform them." (Sahih Ibn Hibbaan)

#### 12. Salaatul Haajaat

It is reported from Abdullah bin Abi Aufa (Radhiyallahu Anhu) that Rasulullah (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) is reported to have said that whomsoever has any need from Allah Ta'ala or any person then he should make wudhu thoroughly. Thereafter he should perform two rakaats of salaah, recite praises on Allah Ta'ala and send blessings on the Prophet (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam). Then he should recite this du'a:

"There no god but Allah, The Tolerant and Wise. Glory be to Allah, the Rabb of the Great throne. All praise is exclusively for Allah, the Lord of the worlds. O Allah, I beg You of that which will guarantee Your Mercy, actions which will make certain Your Forgiveness, a supply of every virtue and freedom from every sin. Do not leave a sin of mine (O Allah), except that you forgive it, nor any concern except that you create for it an opening, nor any need in which there is your good pleasure except that you fulfill it, O Most Merciful!" (Tirmidhi-Vol.1,pg.108 Shaami-Vol.1)

#### 13. Surah Yaaseen

Nabi Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam has said: " verily for everything there is a heart. And the heart of The Qur aan is (Surah) Yaaseen. And whoever recites Surah Yaaseen, then due to its Qiraat, Allah will write for its reader a reward equal to reciting the Qur'aan ten times. (Tirmizi)

#### 14. Surah Waaqi'ah

Rasulullah (Sallallahu Alayhe Wasallam) said: "the one who recites Surah Waaqi'ah every night, poverty will never befall him". So Hazrat Ibn Mas'ood used to instruct his daughters to recite this Surah every night. (Bayhaqi- Kanzul Ummal - Mishkaat)

#### 15. Surah Mulk

Abu Hurairah Radiyallahu 'anhu narrates that Nabi Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam said: Indeed, there is a Surah in the Qur'an having thirty verses (Aayats), which intercedes for its reciter until he is forgiven. (Tirmizi - Musnad Ahmed - Mishkaat)

#### 16. Surah Sajdah

Nabi Sallallahu 'alaihi wasallam never use to sleep until he recited Alif Lam Mim Sajdah, (Surah 32) and Tabarakalladhl biyadihil mulk (Surah 67).

#### (Tirmidhi - Nasaai - Mishkaat) 17. General Tilaawat

Nabi Sallallahu alayhi wasallam said thatWhoever reads a letter from the Holy Qur'aan, he will have a reward. And that reward will be multiplied by ten. I am not saying that "Alif, Laam, Meem" is a letter, rather I am saying that "Alif" is a letter, "laam" is a letter and "meem" is a letter." So increase your recitation of the Qur'an to gain these merits, and to gain the following merit as well. (Tirmidhi)

(From this we come to know that even without under-

standing what we reciting their will be rewards given)

#### 18. Durood Shareef

Abdullah bin Mas'ood (radhiyallahu Anhu) said that the Messenger of Allah (Sallallahu Alayhe Wasallam) said: "the closest people to me on the Day of Resurrection will be those who invoked the most blessings (durood) upon me." (Tirmizi)

#### 19. Third Kalima

Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) said: "Is anyone of you incapable of earning one thousand Hasanah (rewards) a day?" Someone from the gathering asked, "How can anyone of us earn a thousand Hasanah?" Prophet Muhammad (Peace be upon him) said: "Glorify Allah a hundred times by just saying "Subhanallah" and a good deeds will be written for you, or a thousand sins will be wiped away." (Muslim) 20. Istighfaar

Ibn Abbas (May Allah be pleased with them) said: The Messenger of Allah (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) said, "If anyone constantly seeks pardon (from Allah), Allah will appoint for him a way out of every distress and a relief from every anxiety, and will provide sustenance for him from where he expects not." (Abu Dawud). Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) said: "Is anyone of you incapable of earning one thousand Hasanah (rewards) a day?" Someone from the gathering asked, "How can anyone of us earn a thousand Hasanah?" Prophet Muhammad (Peace be upon him) said: "Glorify Allah a hundred times by just saying "Subhanallah" and a Good deeds will be written for you, or a thousand sins will be wiped away." (Muslim)

#### 21. Fourth Kalima

Abu Hurairah (Allah be pleased with him) reports that the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) said: "A person who recites: Laa ilaaha illal-laahu wahdahu laa shareeka lahu, lahul-mulku wa lahul-hamdu wa huwa ʻalaa kulli shay-in qadeer, a hundred times daily will have reward equal to that of freeing ten slaves and one hundred good deeds will be written for him, and one hundred of his sins will be lifted from him, and for the whole day, he will remain immune from the Shaytaan until the evening, and on the Day of Judgment, no one will exceed him in merit except one who has done [these phrases] more." (Bukhari - Muslim)

#### 22. La-ilaaha Ilallah

Hazrat Abu Sa`eed al-Khudri (Radhiyallahu anhu) said, that the Messenger of Allah Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam said: "Musa (Alayhis Salaam) said: O Lord! Teach me something that I can remember You with and I can supplicate You with. Allah said: "Say 'La ilaha ill Allah', O Musa." He (Musa) said: 'All of your servants say this.'

Allah Subhanuhu Wa Tala said: "If the seven Heavens and those who dwell in them other than Me and the seven Earths are put into one pan of the scale and 'La ilaha ill Allah' is put into the other; 'La ilaha ill Allah' would be heavier." (Ibn Hibbaan and Haakim)

- 23. Sunnats: Rasullullah Sallallahu alayhi wasallam said that whosoever clings to my Sunnah at the time when my Ummah is in trife and turmoil, he shall get the Thwaab of a hundred martyrs.
- 24. Kind Speech: Allah Ta'ala commands us to speak kindly and clearly for Shaytaan seeks to exploit us.
- 25. Tolerance and patience: Allah Ta'ala says that He is with those who have patience. Hadhrat Moulana Maseehullah Rahmatullahi alayh defined good character to be a combination of patience and kind speech mixed with a pleasant tone.
- 26. Pious Companionship: Allah Ta'ala has commanded all Muslims to adopt the companionship of the Truthful one's. Surely, one gets affected by the type of company one keeps.
- 27. Du'a: Allah Ta'ala has commanded Muslims to ask from Him. Nabi Sallallahu alayhi wasallam said that Du'a is the essence of Ibaadah. Ibaadah means to lower and submit oneself. The essence and the core of all the Ruku's and Sujood, Saum (fasting) and Haj and Sadaqah and Qurbani etc. is Du'aa.





# Success of this Ummah... Stop "worshipping" Shaytaan and the Nafs...

At the time when we discard any command of Allah Ta'ala or any Sunnah of Nabi Sallallahu alayhi wasallam, we are in fact, busy worshipping Shaytaan and our Nafs.

Hereby follows some deeds which by omission or commission causes us to become the "worshippers" of Shaytaan.

#### 1. ABANDONING SALAAH

ed." (Sharah Mushkilul Aathaar)

FAJR: Shaytaan urinates in his ears.

Hazrat Abdullah (Radhiyallahu Anhu) Narrated: A
person was mentioned before Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi
Wasallam). So it was said that he had kept on sleeping
till the morning and had not got up for Salaah (Fajr).
Then Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) said:
"Shaitaan has urinated in his ears." (Bukhari)
In other reports we have more to help us understand
the gravity of the issue addressed in the hadith.
Hazrat Abdullah bin Mas'ud (Radhiyallahu Anhu) Narrated: "Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) was asked
about one who slept from the beginning of the night
towards its end. He Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam)

said: "He is the one in whose ear Shaitaan has urinat-

#### ZUHR:

Allah, the Most High, says, "Then, there has succeeded them a posterity who have given up salaah (i.e. made their Salaat to be lost, either by not offering them or by not offering them perfectly or by not offering them in their proper fixed times, etc.) and they have followed lusts. So they will be thrown in Hell. Except those who repent and believe in the Oneness of Allah and His Messenger Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam)), and do good deeds. Such will enter Paradise and they will not be oppressed in the least bit." [Surah Al-Maryum (19) Verse: 59-60]

Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) has said: "The person who misses his asr Salaah, it is as if he has lost his family and wealth!" (Saheeh Ibn Hibbaan - Nasaai - Abu Dawood - Tirmizi - Ibn Majah - Musnad Ahmed)

#### Maghrib:

Hazrat Abu Ayyub (Radhiyallahu Anhu) narrates that: "Did you hear Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) say that:

"My Ummah will continue to be on good or he said on Fitrah, as long as they do not delay Maghrib Salaah till the stars become apparent."

#### (Saheeh Ibn Khuzaimah - Tabaraani - Abu Dawood) **Esha:**

The Prophet (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) said, "The hypocrites find Fajr and Esha Salaah in congregation as very oppressive. If they could know the virtues of these two Salaahs, they would certainly join them, even if they had to go crawling." [Bukhari] Ibn 'Umar said, "When missing a man in the congregational Salaah of Esha and Fajr, we might think that he was a hypocrite." 'Ubaydullah Ibn Amr Al-Qawaeer said, "I have never missed Esha Salaah in congregation. One night I had a grief which occupied me from performing the Esha Salaah in congregation. Thereby, I sought another mosque all over AI-Basra to perform the Salaah but of no avail as all the mosques were closed. Then I went home and decided to apply what is stated in the hadith, "The Reward for Salaah offered along with the congregation is twenty seven times more than the Salaah offered in home. "[Muslim]

Therefore, I performed Esha Salaah twenty seven times. Afterwards, I slept. I dreamt that I was riding my horse racing some other people who were also riding their horses but I could not catch them. Then one turned to me and said, "Do not get your horse toiled, you would never catch us. I asked him why? He said, we performed the Esha Salaah in congrega-

tion but you did alone. Then I got up sad. We seek Allah's help and guidance for He is the Most Generous, the Most Bounteous. Ameen!

## 2. Abandoning the Sunnah, Unislamic Dressing, Manner of Eating, etc.

Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) said: "Whoever turns away from my Sunnah, is not of me!" (Bukhaari) Nabi (sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) said: "Whoever imitates a nation, is from amongst them."

#### 3. Music (The Voice Of Shaitaan)

"Music breeds hypocrisy in the heart" said our Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) (Abu Dawud) Molten lead will be poured into the ears of the one who listens to songs. (Ibn Asaakir)

#### 4. Discarding Hijaab

"A woman is an object of concealment. When she emerges (from her home), then Shaytaan casts surreptitious glances at her. And undoubtedly the closest she is to Allah Ta`ala is when she is at the innermost corner of her house." Tirmizi – Mishkaat)

"Allah curses the one who looks (at females) and the one to whom the gaze was directed (i.e. the woman who emerged unnecessarily from her home and thus caused men to glance at her)". (Mishkaat)

"Women have no share in emerging (from their homes) except in cases of emergency (when compelled to by circumstances)". (Tabaraani) Nabi Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam said: "A man who casts a gaze at a woman, looks at her garments and discerns her bodily shape, will not smell the fragrance of Jannat". (Shaami – Bahrur Raaiq)

"It is better that a steel rod be plunged into your head than you touch a woman who is not lawful for you." (Tabraani – Kanzul Ummaal)

Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam said: "He who looks at the beauty of a strange woman with lust, on the Day of Qiyaamah, lead will be chucked/flung/cast into his two eyes." (Mabsoot – Hidaayah – Bahrur Raaiq)

#### 5. Beard

"He who obeys Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) [the Rasool], then verily he has obeyed Allah" (Surah Nisaa -Aayat10)

And Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallams') command is: "Oppose the fire worshippers! Grow full beards and cut much of the moustaches." (Bukhari – Muslim) Are we going against this command???

### 6. Photos, Television, Youtube and Video Clips.

Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) stated: "the person who will be punished the most on the Day of Qiyaamah is the one who makes pictures" (with a penwith a click, with a brush, with a digital camera, etc.)

## 7. The tongue: Gheebat, Lies, Slander, Vulgar, cursing, deceiving, etc.

Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) said: "He who believes in Alalh and the last day, should speak good or remain silent." (Bukhari – Muslim – Tirmizi)

## 8. Eating Doubtful or Haraam at home, at hotels, restaurants, etc.

He who abstains from doubtful things, has guarded his Deen!

"Halaal (the Lawful & Permissible) is clear and Haraam (the Unlawful & Impermissible) is clear. Between halaal and haraam are some doubtful things. Many people do not know whether it is permissible or not. Whoever leaves out these doubtful things in order to protect his religion and honor, then he is safe. Whoever indulges in these doubtful things/ matters, it is very possible that he will fall into haraam, similar to a person who grazes his animals near the royal pasture - it is very possible that one day he will graze in the royal pasture. Behold! Every king has a royal pasture and the royal pasture of Allah is those things which have been made impermissible." (Bukhari - Tabaraani) "Leave that which is doubtful for that which is not doubtful."(Bayhaqi - Saheeh ibn Hibbaan)

The body that was nourished with haraam will not enter Jannah. (Mishkaat)Jaabir (Radiyallaahu Anhu) narrates that Rasulullah (Sallallaahu Alaihi Wa Sallam) said, "No meat (i.e. person) that was nourished with haraam will enter paradise. Every meat (i.e. person) that was nourished with haraam is more deserving of the Fire." (Tirmizi – Bayhaqi – Tabaraani)

## 9. Haraam Functions, weddings, engagement Parties and aiding in sin

"Do not aid one another in Sin and Transgression" Says Allah, Most High. (Qur'aan)

#### 10. Riba: Haraam dealings, fraud, etc.

The Prophet (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) has cursed the receiver (the one who consumes interest) and the payer of interest (the one who makes others ingest interest), the one who records it and the two witnesses to the transaction and said: "They are all alike [in guilt]." (Muslim -Bayhaqi - Tirmizi) Narrated from Hazrat Abu Hurairah (Radhiyallahu Anhu), he said: The Prophet of Allah (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) said: "On the night of Ascension (Me'raaj) I came upon people whose stomachs were like houses with snakes visible from the outside of their stomachs. So, I asked: "O Jibreel, who are these people?". He replied that they were people who had consumed interest." (Ibn Majah – Mishkaat) Nabi (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasallam) said: "Riba has seventy segments, the least serious being equivalent to a man committing adultery with his own mother." (Fayzul Qadeer lil Munaawi - Kanzul Ummaal)

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Maybe Allah Ta'ala is actually being kind towards you by delaying your marriage until the time is best – and surely none can know what He knows, for He sees ahead in our hidden futures – so rest assured, it doesn't matter in the long run if you get married at 25 or 35, as long as it is a happy, productive and loving marriage, to the right person, who becomes your pillar of support in *Deen* and accelerates your quest for success in the Hereafter.

Better than Early Divorce Many young people get married very early, only to get quickly divorced for a variety of reasons, emerging from the whole experience bitter and emotionally hurt, with painful marks on their psyche that take a long time to heal. Many who have a child from such a marriage have to endure acrimonious feuds with their exes over child custody and alimony, and thenceforth face the challenges of being a single parent. They are left with many regrets, many painful memories, and much disdain if not outright hatred towards the institution of marriage in general. It often takes young divorcés several years to heal from their first bad experience, and become mentally ready to get married again. It could be that your being single, which is a painful trial of patience in your eyes, is a blessing in disguise that is acting as a barrier between you and worse calamities and adversities. Perhaps all your earnest du' as for getting married, about which you might be wondering why they are not being answered by God, are actually averting from you graver problems and pitfalls that you are not even aware of. Perhaps your single status is a great blessing, but in a way that only Ta'ala knows, and you know not.

The wisdom behind this decree? By the time these good-lookers actually did tie the knot, they were much more humble and less full of themselves. A welcome landing back down on earth! The lesson that we all can learn from this apparent disparity in cause-and-effect. A delay in marriage increases one's humility, and makes one more down-to-earth and approachable by others. It also ensures that one constantly keeps turning to Allah in earnest *du'as* – which is something that Allah loves about His slaves!

#### Conclusion:

Blessings Received after Hardship Are Cherished More.



#### **Advices to the Ulama**

by Moulana Thanvi Rahamatullahi

The rot of the fish starts from the head. The success of this Ummah depends much on the guidance of the Ulama. If the Ulama fraternity are seen to be Allah Fearing, then the effect will most certainly manifest itself in the masses.

Once Imaam Abu Hanifa Rahmatullahi alayh saw a child slipping. Imaam Saheb steadied the child. The child thanked him and said: "O Imaam Saheb, be careful you do not slip otherwise the Ummah will slip." Truly when an Aalim slips, the community slips. Hereby follows some advices of Hadhrat Moulana Thanvi Tahmatullahi alayh. May Allah Ta'ala grant us all the Hidayat to benefit from his wise words. (Ameen)

#### WITHOUT MA'RIFAT, AN AALIM WILL BE MANIPULATED AT WILL BY SHAYTAAN

Figh would not be defined as the mere superficial perusing of kitaabs. Figh is a celestial light (noor) which subsists in the heart. It is the blessing of this that the holder thereof gains an understanding of the Deen. It is this very noor which Allah Ta'ala sometimes snatches away. This is something which is not in the control of man. Now, you can read and study thousands of kitaabs, but because you have no understanding of the Deen, you will never become a Faqeeh.

This noor of figh increases with obedience and wanes with sin. That 'Faqeeh' who is not obedient or pious, is a Faqeeh of the kitaabs (and not of the Deen). He is not a haqeeqi (real) Fageeh and is not included in the class of fugaha regarding whom Nabi (sallahu alayhi wa sallam) gave glad tidings. And since we are aware that figh is the understanding of the Deen, what doubt can there now be that a Faqeeh is also a soofi. All our Fuqaha, as many as they were, were all Sahibe-Nisbat and Sahib-e-Ma'rifat (i.e. Walis who followed the Path of Tareeqat). The proper and total understanding of the Deen cannot be acquired without nisbat and ma'rifat. This is the reason why it has been mentioned regarding the Fuqaha, 'One Faqeeh is harder on shaitaan than a thousand 'aabids.' The person who understands the Deen well, will be privy to the deceptions and ploys of shaitaan. He will not allow a single trick to entrap him. As for the unlearned 'aabid, shaitaan can manoeuver and manipulate him as he pleases."

### THE EVIL OF AN AALIM WHO DOES NOT PRACTISE UPON HIS KNOWLEDGE

It appears in the Hadith that on the Day of Qiyaamah a man will be seen circling his entrails which will be outside his body. People will enquire about his fate. Why he is being punished in this way? He will reply: "I did not practise in accordance with my knowledge." Of what benefit and pride can be such a knowledge which will be Allah's evidence against a man?

Did you not hear that the Hadith says that for the ignoramus (jaahil) there is one 'Wail' and for the non-practising Aalim there are ten 'Wails'. (Wail is a terrible section in the dregs of Jahannum). Is there some other creation who has to act according to the knowledge of the Deen? Are these teachings not for us to follow?

Although all Ulama are not in this class (of non-practising Aalims), nevertheless, even one such Aalim is a blot and a cause of complaint. The ruin which ensues is not restricted to the o-ne non-practising Aalim. Others too are influenced by

this one non-practising Aalim. The damage caused by the non-practising Aalim is twofold. one: Observing his actions, laymen gain audacity and perpetrate evil. Two: People lose confidence in all Ulama as the a result of his misdeeds. (Our comment: Such as the Ulama who laugh and speak with women on air and in the so-called Islamic Schools)

### NOOR OF KNOWLEDGE IS UNATTAINABLE WITHOUT TAQWA AND AMAL

What are the adverse affects o-n ta'leem if the Talaba (students of knowledge) perform Ishraaq, Chaasht (Duhaa) and Tahajjud Salaat? And, if instead of becoming involved in futile talks, the Students of Hadith engage their tongues in Thikr and Durood Shareef, what negative affect will there be o-n their studies? (If they engage in these acts), then Insha'Allah, the Noor of Ibaadat and the sweetness of Thikr will develop in the Students.

Fahm-e-Saleem (correct understanding) and the Noor of intelligence cannot be acquired without Taqwa and Amal. Adherence to this is highly beneficial for studies. While students should be prevented from participation in the special ways of Sulook, they should diligently observe the Athkaar (plural of Thikr) which are narrated in the Ahaadith, and without fail be regular and punctual with Tilaawat of the Qur'aan Majeed. These are such acts which may not be discarded in any way."

#### NAFL SALAAT IS EXCEEDINGLY IMPORTANT, PARTICU-LARLY FOR THE ULAMA

People in general regard Nafl as superfluous, and so do the Ahl-e-Ilm (People of Knowledge) in particular. The People of Knowledge are more trapped in this misconception. From the very beginning the students are taught that while there is thawaab for Nafl, there is no sin in abstaining. In view of this definition, the students labour under the impression that there is nothing wrong if Nawaafil is discarded. A more ruinous idea is that Nafl is not an act of importance.

Thus, they dismiss Nawaafil as if the Shariat's exhortation to perform Nafl is futile. Nafl is never futile or unimportant. It is complimentary of Faraaidh compulsory acts of ibaadat. It perfects Fardh (by compensating for the deficiencies in the way of discharge). From this angle, Nafl is exceedingly important. Furthermore, Nafl is a salient sign of Divine Love.

#### FOLLOWING THE ULAMA-E-HAQQ IS ESSENTIAL

Following the Ulama is essential. Opposition to the Ulama is tantamount to opposing Allah and His Rasool. Nowadays, affairs (of importance) are entrusted to unqualified people merely on account of their worldly status. The Ulama are not thirsty and the wealthy ones are not the wells. The reality is the other way around.

In all actions of life, *ittiba*' (obedience) to the Shariah is essential. The Ulama are the ones who are aware of the *Ahkaam* of the Shariah. Thus, by following them, one follows the Deen. Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) called to the Path of Allah Ta'ala, and this is also the attitude (and obligation) of the Ulama (since they are his representatives).

#### DECEPTION OF MAKING 'PEACE' WITH EVERYONE

It is lamentable to see that nowadays the meaning of being a Buzrug is considered to be that one should not say anything to anyone; one should make peace with everyone. They consider this to be saintliness. One should not hurt anyone; one should not trouble anyone. So one should not make Amr Bil Ma'roof!!!

If this is the case then one should not tell a haughty person anything. One should not hurt his feelings and one should let everyone do as they please. General permission should be granted for everyone to do as they please. Then open zina should be tolerated, robbery, murder; everything should be condoned! If you say that in robbery and murder people are hurt therefore these are prohibited according to the precept of not hurting anyone, then it can be argued that zina doesn't hurt anyone. And if it is contended that the husband or father is hurt, then where a woman does not have a father or any family member and she voluntary submits to this vile act then who is hurt in this case? In fact, the meaning of not hurting anyone is to wilfully hurt someone. And when someone wishes to correct a wrong or disease as a result of which the other party is hurt, such as a surgeon performing an operation to remove an infected tissue or dentist extracting a rotten tooth or father disciplining a delinquent child then these are not considered hurting others. (*To be continued Insha–Allah*)



#### "SIGNS OF ISLAM"

THE PETAL OF A LILY SHYLY DISPLAYS THE NAME ALLAH...

### Nabi Sallallahu alayhi wasallams Love and Mercy for an Ummati

A ninety year old pious lady required a cataract operation. She was extremely scared. The night before the operation she saw Nabi Sallallahu alayhi wasallam in a dream. Nabi Sallallahu alayhi wasallam stared deeply into her eyes. When she woke up, she found her eyesight to be fine. No cataract operation was necessary. All her fears were turned to joy...

Indeed, he, the Habib (beloved) is to Allah a link,

Subhanallah!

Indeed, Durood recited, does reach him in a blink

Since our life is so filled with sin and television

'Tis difficult to be blessed with his wonderful vision The heart watered with sweet Salaams to him The lips moistened with constant Durood to him Is the Labaik to the call of his (Sallallahu layhi wasallam) anguish

"O my Ummah, your life your spent in sin and television

O my Ummah, how you have forgotten me can not be reasoned"

So, o reader, repent soon for soon shall come upon you a Day

When all the Worldly laughter and wealth will seem very far away.

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### COMBATING **SHAY-**TAAN!!!

Explaining how Shaytaan causes grief and assaults a Muslim. Hadhrat Mauláná Muhammad Masíhulláh Khán Sahib Aahmatullahi alayh says: evil So, be happy and not despond- affected adversely. He will not whispering is only from Shaitán that he may cause grief to those who believe. (S.58.10.) Alláh Ta'álá is saying that all these wasáwis (stray thoughts) and khiyálát (excessive thinking)are from Shaitán in order to cast the mu'min into grief and despondency. Further on Alláh Ta'álá states:"In Alláh let the believers place their trust." S.3.160.)

Combating Shaitán: The mu'min should pay no attention to this. Shaitán has no power over the mu'min that he should be influenced by Shaitán. Why? The reason is that the shán of a mu' min is such that he does not plaything of your deeds and place his trust on anything besides Alláh Ta'álá - he places his complete trust only on Alláh Ta'álá. This is the demands of his being a mu'min. His reliance This ayet has also in it the should he become despondent? not become despondent." If he become despondent!" does become despondent then By becoming despondent will a láh Ta'álá becomes displeased. depression? The sálik who bemake

Rahmán unhappy. This is prov-eating, the pleasure of sleeping, en from the above ayet. According to the laws of mantiq the pleasure of going for les-(logic), which you must have sons, the pleasure of attending studied in several kitábs, that classes and listening with enthis despondent person wishes thusiasm - all these come to an to make Shaitán happy and he abrupt end. This was the very wishes to displease Rahmán by objective Shaitán had. His not coming out of his de- objective has been achieved spondency.

ent at the arrival of wasáwis. want to go to work. When cuswants you to be happy. Will with them in the happy manner Shaitán then trouble vou? Will that he should. He is depressed. he bring doubts into you mind? To understand this take the Will he instil wasawis and scat- situation where a worldly probtered thoughts into your mind? lem causes one to become demind? Will he make your tem- loss or some form of disgrace to the swarm of anxieties rac- passes away, one naturally being through your mind? Of comes depressed. One's work order that you...

for Shaitán. He should not make a plaything of your actions, he should not make a he should not even make a plaything of thoughts in your mind. Even if, after this, wasáwis do come, just ignore them.

is fully on Alláh Ta'álá. So, why remedy for wasáwis. Say to yourself: "Why should I become On the contrary, his response despondent, thereby making will be challengingly put to Shaitán happy? And thereby Shaitán: "Go ahead! Throw bring about the displeasure of more wasáwis! Go on, throw Alláh Ta'álá? Why should I bemore - I am not bothered. I will come despondent? I will not

Shaitán becomes happy and Al- person's mood not be one of Remember very well: to be- comes despondent will deficome grieved and despondent nitely be depressed. Conseat the arrival of wasáwis is to quently the pleasure of meeting Shaitán happy and with associates, the pleasure of

the pleasure of studying kitábs All his necessary duties will be Why? Because Alláh Ta'álá tomers come he will not speak Will he play around with your pressed: there is some financial perament turn again and again befalls one or some relative course not! So, become firmly is affected and one is unable to grounded while you are here in sleep restfully. In a similar manner the sálik also becomes do not become a plaything depressed as a result of all the wasáwis that engulf him.

#### Moulana Thanvi Rahamtullahi alayh's advice

"I am also human and get grieved when some harm befalls me. However, Alhamdulillah, my grief is very short. I do not allow it to control me or to overwhelm me.

I reflect that Allah Ta'ala is Ar-Hamur-Rahimeen. He is Most Mericful. Similarly, I reflect that Allah Ta'ala is Ahkamul-Haakimien. (Most Wise). I think that He loves me and that He is saving me from something much worse which is only in His Knowledge. Trusting in Him, I hand over my affairs to

I thereafter find great contentment and tranquillity in my

I involve myself with my work and do not allow my mind to be occupied with what is not in my control." "

Question: Here in UK we have a scholar by the name of Shaykh Ibrahim Mogra who is the founder and Principal of Khazinatul-`Ilm, Madaris of Arabic and Muslim Life Studies, in Leicester. In relation to Christmas Shaykh Mogra wrote on the Muslim Council of Britain website:

"To suggest that calling Christmas with its proper name and that Christmas decorations would offend Muslims is absurd. Why should Christmas not be celebrated openly and wholeheartedly in our country when a vast majority of people identify themselves as Christians. This country owes a lot to Christianity. Its moral values and ethical codes have been moulded by Christian teachings for centuries. In fact the whole planet has benefited from Christian teachings and continues to do so. Muslims would adopt all those values and moral codes without question or hesitation. Even if the Christian communities in our country were a minority, we would want Christmas to be celebrated because ours is a multi faith, multi cultural, pluralist and democratic country.

We have been calling on Christian friends for a long time now to reclaim Christmas from the commercialisation of it. We have been encouraging them to bring back the religious and spiritual richness of Christmas. Last year, a delegation of Christians and Muslims were in Brussels for a conference. For dinner we went to a restaurant in the centre of the city. I was thrilled to see that the nativity scene was re-enacted with life size figurines of the Virgin Mary and baby Jesus, the wise men, stables, straw and even live sheep! Why have I not seen this in Britain? It would be wonderful to show my children what the very special Jesus means to Christians and to discuss with them what he means to us and to learn the different beliefs we all hold. Merry Christmas to all Christians and whoever else chooses to celebrate it."

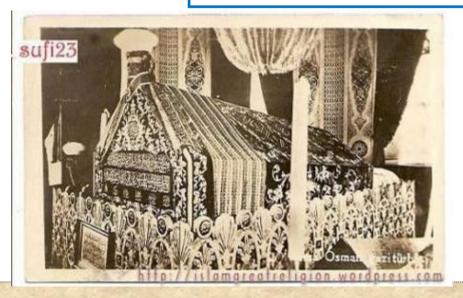
By Shaykh Ibrahim Mogra (Chairman, Inter Faith Relations Committee, MCB.)

I am personally surprised that there has been no public reproach for such public comments. What is your advice to those who follow him or choose to follow him?

Answer: The so-called "Sheikh" has clearly deviated from the Seeratal-Mustageem. May there be a lesson to all those who have aligned themselves with the Inter Faith Movement. Shaytaan snatches away one's Imaan by degrees. Allah Ta'ala is not in need of those who follow the Sheikh. As we sow ,so shall we reap at the time of Maut. There is no public reproach as

people are scared to be seen as "extremist".





#### SO WHOSE TOMB PICTURES ARE THEY?

The tomb in the photo's are not the BLESSED one of our Prophet (salallahu aleyhi was salaam) but it is the tomb of Uthman Ghazi, the first sultan of the Ottoman Empire! And here is the proof: match the picture on the left.. and match the picture found on Wikipedia



## The Afghan Conflict in a Nutshell...

Anglo-Afghan War (1839 to 1842) After initial success left Shah Shuja, a British stooge like Karzai. He was attacked and made in effective by Dost Muhammad & his son. William Eliphinstone's 12,000 strong retreating army was ambushed at Gandamak. Only 40 persons survived the attack. To this day Afghan sing of the battle of Gandamak.

Anglo-Afghan War (1878-1880) Battle of Maiwand – on July 27 1880 Afghan forces surrounded and defeated British in a major battle. The great heroine was an Afghan woman Malalai of Maiwand, who sang, exhorted and encouraged Afghan soldiers. She had sung:

"With a drop of my sweetheart's blood Shed in defense of the Motherland, Will I put a beauty spot on my forehead Such as would put to shame the rose in the garden!"

Rudyard Kipling, an imperial sycophant wrote about the battle:

"When you're wounded and left on Afghanistan's plains,

And the women come out to cut up what remains,

Jest roll to your rifle and blow out your brains An' go to your Gawd like a soldier."

Anglo-Afghan War 2004-2014: British this time did not come as the principal but as a subordinate of Americans. They occupied Helmand province. In 10 long years they had very little to show except death, destruction and murder. And yet they complain of PTSD. The killers are complaining that killing was hard on them! Thus my friends British leave for the fourth time, unsuccessful, without victory and with bleeding hearts.

#### Just Before She Died...

A sister passed away on Sunday 6th of March 2011 at the age of 26. She died due to cancer after fighting a courageous battle against it.

Hereby follows some excerpts of her writings:

It took me about three days to accept my death. On the first day, as you read, my mind was in chaos. On the second day, I was numb. And on the third day, my husband and mother began talking sense to me, and I finally came to some important realizations:

- 1. We are all going to die. The people who took the news of my disease calmly and those who panicked they are going to die one day too. Death is one of the few realities we can be certain of in this life, and yet we somehow slip into thinking that we are exempt.
- 2. We live this life for the next. I was living my life as a Muslim...praying and fasting, but I had somehow allowed my real goal in life to be swallowed by buying salad plates for my next dinner party, and trying to get free shipping on my next crew order, and finding pillows that popped against my cream sofa. In between being a consumer and entertaining myself to death, I let what really matters in my life slip away from me. If I was truly living my life for the Hereafter, I should not be so fearful of the future I had created for myself. The Quran says, "And this life of the world is nothing but a sport and a play; and as for the next abode, that most surely is the life- if only they knew.

- 3. I am in the same boat as everyone else. None of us are given any guarantees in life. Our health, our wealth, and our families are trusts give to us by Allah- and they are His to take when He, in his infinite wisdom, deems fit. We all claim to believe this, but in practice we often falter. I don't know why I thought I could push the thought of death out of my mind for at least a good 30 or 40 years. Allah Ta'ala could claim any of us at any time. I am in the same boat as everyone else- I have no idea when my time is, but I should try to live everyday as if it is my last.
- 4. Each day is a gift. Receiving this wake up call is such a blessing in that each day Allah grants me is an opportunity to do some more good and try to make up for some of the mistakes I made in the past. For some reason, the mornings are usually a little rough for me. I think it's just waking up from my dreams and realizing that I still have to live with this disease. But every morning I try to tell myself, "Alhamdulilah, I feel good today, what good can I do today."

These realizations, and the support of my mother, husband, his mother, my sisters, his sisters, my father, his father, my friends, and my community have helped me not merely cope with what I'm going through, but actually seek the reward of going through this trial, and try to sincerely accept what Allah wills for me.

#### A diary of "sins"

After searching for bodies of the shuhada in one of the areas of Shaam, the mujahideen came across the body of a 16 year old boy who became shaheed. They found in his pocket a small notebook which he used to write his sins during the week. If only we could call them "sins"!

Monday: I slept without wudhoo.

Tuesday: I laughed with a loud voice.

Wednesday: I prayed qiyaam al layl (salaah)

**Thursday:** When we were playing and i scored a goal and i felt pride.

**Friday:** I didnt complete 1000 durood on the prophet (salallahualayhiwssalam) and only

**Saturday:** One of the army generals made salaam first and beat me to it.

Sunday: I forgot the morning athkaar. (Zikr) Subhanallah! Let every youngster think about how this brother prioritised his life. Sleeping without Wudhu, laughing loud, reading Salaah fast, pride, not reciting durood, not making salaam first and forgetting to make Zikr were viewed as "sins" by him. And we who commit adultery and abandon Salaah and the Sunnah and remember Shaytaan feel no pang of remorse!

#### JAMIATUL-ULAMA GAUTENG: SHIAS ARE NOT MUSLIMS

In view of the many beliefs of Kufr, Shias are not Muslims, hence

- a. It is not permissible to consume the slaughtered meat of Shiahs.
- b. Marriage with Shiahs is not valid.
- c. It is not permissible to accord Islamic funeral and burial rights to Shiahs.
- d. Shiahs may not be buried in the Muslim Qabrustan

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