

IN THE NAME OF ALLAH THE MOST BENEFICENT AND THE MOST MERCIFUL

PARENTS AS BLESSINGS

Parents are means through which we were created - hence the blessings - worldly or religious that we attain are all as a result of the parents.

Parents are such a blessings that we cannot repay it ever. Their struggling through your upbringing, difficulties endured for your luxuries especially the mother - enduring through 9 months, labouring through birth, sacrificing her comfort sleep only for you - how can we ever repay her difficulties ?

In a nutshell they are a reflection of the protection and mercy of Allah Almighty. hence we see that Allah has mentioned his favour with the favour of parents. "Be thankful towards me and your parents".

It is found in Tibrani, narrated by Barida RadiAllahu Anhu,

"A companion presented himself before the Prophet and said, O Messenger of Allah, I have taken my mother upon my shoulders for a journey of six miles upon a surface so hot that if a piece of meat were to be thrown on it, it would turn into a kebab, have I now fulfilled her rights over me?

In reply the Prophet said: "Maybe you have repay one such painful burst/spasm that was experienced amongst endless spasms during the time of your birth".

One of the signs of the end of time (Qiyamah) are that man will arise on the orders of his wife and will ignore the suggestions of his parents. He will maintain sound ties with his friends, but keep distances from his parents.

It is found in Tibrani from Abi Bakrah RadiAllahu Anhu, "Shall I not inform you of the most evil sin of all Big sin. Shall I not inform you of the greatest sin of all great sins? Shall I not inform you of the greatest sin of all great sins". The companions stated, "What O Messenger of Allah" He said, "committing association with Allah and teasing parents".

In Nisai / Hakim narrated by Ibn Umar RadiAllahu Anhu that the Messenger states,

"Three will not enter Paradise:

1. He who is cruel to parents
2. Shameless people
3. Women who take male appearance".

It is found in Tibrani and Hakim from Abu Hurairah RaidAllahu Anhu:

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It is also found in ibn Jaban related from ibn Abbas RadiAllahu Anhu, "Allah's curse is upon him who gives verbal abuse to his parents."

It is found in Tibrani from Abdullah bin Auf RaidAllahu Anhu, 'A young man was in the state of Naza' (death bed) and was unable to recite the Kalima - The Prophet found out about



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this and presented at the scene. He asked the young man to recite the Kalima but he said that he was unable to. On this people said he used to abuse his mother, the Prophet called his mother and stated, "If there was a massive fire made and it is dais that intercede for this man or else we will we burn him - would you intercede for him at this point?" She said "Yes I would!" then the Prophet said, "Make Allah and me witness that you are happy with your son - she said 'O Allah and his Messenger that I am pleased with my son'".

Then the Prophet turned towards the young man "O young man! Say the Shahadah, the young man recited the kalimah and then passed away. The Prophet said: "All praise for Allah who has through my meditation protected him from the fire."

'Awwan bin Khoshab RadiAllahu Anhu was a Tab'been who passed away in 148 hijri - he states "I went to a community which had at one end a graveyard - it was the time of 'Asr and a grave split open and from it came out a man who had the head of a donkey - He 'Hi-howd' loudly three times like a donkey then the grave closed again...

...then a women told me that the man in the grave was an alcoholic who used to live with his mother - when he returned home in the evening his mother would advise him to quit drinking to which he would reply "You 'Hi-how like a donkey'".

This very man died at the time of 'Asr and since then every day after 'Asr his grave opens and he comes out with a donkeys head and cries out three times and then returns. (related in Lasubhani)

It is Makrooh-e-Tehrimi (near Haram) (and Wajib-ul-la-dah, necessary to repeat) to pray Salaah behind an Imam who indulges in cruelty / abuse towards his parents.

It is stated in sageery: "To make a Fasiq (open sinner) an Imam is Makrooh-e-Tehrimi."

It is also stated "Those who make a fasiq an imam are sinful because to make such a person an Imam is Makrooh-e-Tehrimi.

In the Islamic Law (Shariah) it is advised that one should show anger towards such a fasiq it is prohibited to respect such a person.

"According to shariah it is Wajib to insult a fasiq" To sit with him, gather with him for a feast, or to invite him over for a feast all are prohibited actions.

It is found in Abu Dawood and Tirmidhi, related by Abdullah bin Mas'ud that the **Prophet states;**

"When the community of Bani Israel indulged in sin their scholars tried to stop them, but without success. These scholars sat with them In their sessions, in their meals, sat with them to drink - so Allah insulted the effects of Bani Israel into the hearts of the scholars as well. To the extent they were now as one. Then they were all cursed by the TINGUES of Hadhrat Dawood and Hadhrat Isa Ibn Maryam Alaihis Salam. This was the recompense for their sins and their transgression.

All those people to stand by and support the person (who transgresses against his parents) are also grave sinners'

Allah states:

"And do not support in sin and transgress".

We previously came across a hadith in which those people, who sat, ate, drank, with evil-doers were also cursed. Then, think what grave punishment would be upon those who support them - Allah give us protection and give believers the ability to repent, Ameen!

In terms of giving Charity (sdaqah) - if such a person has a need then if the intention is not supporting in sins then it is permissible. Since the Prophet said: "Every warm - hearted action possess reward."