

Children's Corner



The Prophet's Excellent Behaviour with Children

Salaam dear young friends, and heartiest congratulations to you all on the Grand Day of Mab'ath that heralded the advent of the universal mission of Islam.

Yesterday, we celebrated the formal appointment of Prophet Muhammad (SAWA) as the Almighty's Last and Greatest Messenger to all mankind, with prayers, supplications in the Divine Court and a fast of thanksgiving to the Lord Most High, for having enlightened us with the true faith.

The Prophet of Islam has been the greatest example for humanity throughout history because, in addition to teaching and guiding the people with his words, he instructed them with his personal behaviour.

That is why the holy Qur'an calls him the "Most Excellent Exemplar".

The Prophet's personality is not an example for a specific period, generation, nation, religion or place. Rather, he is a lasting global symbol for all peoples of all times.

In today's world, when children are being cruelly slaughtered by the Takfiris, the Saudis, the Zionists, and other agents of the Great Satan (the US), it is very important to give them full attention in societies, for their proper upbringing with focus on respect for their personality.

Unfortunately, people today do not pay as much attention to children's instruction as the Prophet of Islam has said, and as shown practically by the Infallible Imams of his Household the Ahl al-Bayt.

Although sometimes statesmen in industrialized countries visit orphanages and kindergartens, sometimes hugging children for photo ops and media publicity, demonstrating their love and respect for children, to date no individual can be compared with the Prophet of Islam. With the utmost simplicity and kindness, he passed through the lanes and streets, expressing his love and kindness towards children and hugging them. The Prophet had a special love of children, whether they were his own children or those of others. It has been written about him: "Kindness towards children was one of the special practices of the Prophet."

The Prophet of Islam used to have great affection for his own two grandsons, Imam Hasan (AS) and Imam Husain (AS). But this should not be interpreted as family prejudice or the mere doting of a grandfather. As a matter of fact, the Prophet was commanded by God Almighty to show to Muslims that the love and affection for Imam Hasan (AS) and Imam Husain (AS), is a divine obligation.

Alas, after the passing away of Prophet Muhammad (SAWA), those had seized the political rule of the Islamic realm by depriving Imam Ali (AS) and the Ahl al-Bayt of their God-given rights, mistreated Imam Hasan (AS) and Imam Husain (AS).

Today, the 28th of Rajab is the fateful day in history when Imam Husain (AS) was forced to leave his hometown Medina in 60 AH for Mecca, since the Godless Yazid after usurping the caliphate, demanded allegiance from the Prophet's grandson.

The Imam thus started his fateful journey that would end some six months later in Karbala and his martyrdom and that of his children, family members, and friends, on the day of Ashura (Muharram 10).

Before we bid you goodbye, we felicitate you on the threshold of the month of Sha'ban and the blessed anniversaries it has. God bless you.



Prophet Mohammad (SAWA)

"You should reward them who do you favors. If you cannot reward them, you should thank. Showing gratitude is a sort of rewarding."

JOKES

When I look at chocolate, I hear two voices in my head.
The first one says: "You need to eat that chocolate."
The other voice goes: "You heard. Eat the chocolate."

Are you two twins?
No, why do you ask?
Because mommy dressed you both in the same clothes.
OK that's enough, your driver's license please.

A man hired a lawyer when he got sued by his company for embezzlement of many millions.
At the beginning of the process, the lawyer kindly reassured him: "Don't worry, you'll never go to jail with that amount of money."
And the lawyer was right. When the man did go to jail eventually, he didn't have a penny anymore.

RIDDLES

Dear youngsters, could you answer the following questions.

1. I am a fruit with seed on the outside. What am I?
2. I belong to everyone. Sometimes make you happy, sometimes make you sad. I will never end until the day you do. What am I?
3. I can wake you up in the morning but I require no electricity or winding. What am I?
4. I can generate fear and some say I come out of your ears. I am as quiet as a mouse but not welcomed in the house. What am I?
5. You throw me out when you use me and take me in when you are done. What am I?
6. I drift forever with the current and flows to your everyday life. I make living easy but I am good at killing people too. What am I?

Answers to last week questions:

1. Heart
2. Banana
3. Rug
4. Light Switch
5. Doorbell
6. Onion

Send your jokes. Heard any jokes lately? Well, try and make us laugh too!

Don't hesitate! Mail it to us.

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The Tortoise and the Birds

A Tortoise desired to change its place of residence, so he asked an Eagle to carry him to his new home, promising her a rich reward for her trouble. The Eagle agreed and seizing the Tortoise by the shell with her talons soared aloft. On their way they met a Crow, who said to the Eagle: "Tortoise is good eating."
"The shell is too hard," said the Eagle in reply.
"The rocks will soon crack the shell," was the Crow's answer; and the Eagle, taking the hint, let fall the Tortoise on a sharp rock, and the two birds made a hearty meal of the Tortoise.

MORAL: "Never soar aloft on an enemy's pinions"

