Prophet Mohammad (SAWA)

"A fasting person is in a state of worship, even when (asleep) in bed, except when back-biting a fellow Muslim."

Ramadhan and Its Blessings

Salaam dear young friends. New Year greetings to you all; hope you have enjoyed your annual spring holidays.

We are meeting after a two-week gap, which means this is our first chat of the year 1402 solar hijri – aptly designated by the Leader of the Islamic Revolution, Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei, "Year of Inflation Control and Growth in Production" as a sequel to the "Year of Production: Knowledge-Based and Job-Creating" which was the designation of 1401.

It is indeed an incentive for the Iranian nation, the youth in particular, who are all geared up to break new ground in various fields by diversifying and increasing domestic production in order to generate more employment so as to make the national economy further strong in the face of those satanic sanctions the Great Satan (the US) imposes.

As you all know, this year the blessed month of Ramadhan in the Nowruz holidays.

Ramadhan is the month of the Divine Banquet of fasting spread out for the guests of God with all its spiritual and even material delights.

We know, you youngsters have been eagerly preparing for the obligatory fasts of Ramadhan by sincerely observing the devotions of the preceding months of Rajab and Sha'ban.

Indeed, it is the exuberance of youth that manifests itself in acts of worship and devotion, infusing freshness into the family atmosphere laying the foundation for the building of a sound, healthy and virtuous society that is free of the depravities in which Godless communities are miserably trapped.

There are hidden wonders in obeying God and performing on time whatever He has made obligatory. Ramadhan is the month that provides us the opportunity to build discipline in ourselves and to perform the ritual prayers on time, and of course, in congregation.

Prophet Muhammad (SAWA) has said: As long as a believer performs the five-times-a-day obligatory prayers, the Satan will fear him, but if the prayers are neglected, the Satan will increase its temptations and goad that person into committing cardinal sins.

The Prophet has also said the gates of heavens are flung open on the first night of Ramadhan and are not closed till the end of this blessed month.

Unfortunately, in our modern era when mankind had made astounding progress, the fasting Muslims are being bombarded and slaughtered; not by pagans, but by those who claim to be Muslims, and shamelessly call themselves Jihadis, while their hearts are empty of any iota of belief in God, the Prophet, the holy Qur'an, the month of Ramadhan, and humanitarian values.

Goodbye and God bless you all until our next meeting on next Wednesday.

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JOKES

A church puts out a wanted ad for somebody to ring their bell each day. A man with no arms replies to the want ad. The priest asks him "How can you ring a bell with no arms?"

The man runs into the bell face first and the bell rings loud and beautifully. The priest gives him the job. One day he misses the bell though and falls to his death. The priest and several other people come to the man's side and one of them says "Who is he?"

The priest replies "I don't know. But his face sure rings a bell."

A man owns a rabbit farm and is known around the world for his rabbits who can lift more than any man. A little boy asks him: "How do you keep your rabbits so strong?"

The man replies: "It's no secret." He pulls out a bottle of shampoo and says: "Keeps your hares strong!"

Bahman approaches a sales lady at a store and says "I would like to buy my wife some nice gloves." The sales lady responds "Well that's a nice surprise!"

"Yeah it is," Bahman continues, "She's expecting a diamond ring!"

RIDDLES

Dear youngsters, could you answer the following questions

- 1. Cloud is my mother; wind is my father. What am I?
- 2. I am black, white, and read all over. What am I?
- 3. I run around the streets all day. Under the bed or by the door I sit at night, never alone. My tongue hangs out, waiting to be fed during the day. What am I?
- 4. I am constantly overlooked by everyone but everyone has me. What am I?
- 5. I widen my jaws when you poke two fingers in me. I especially like to devour papers. What am I?
- 6. I live above a star who never burns. I have 11 neighbors but they never turn. My initial are p, q, r, and sometimes s. What am I?

Answers to last week's edition:

- 1. Elevator
- 2. Umbrella
- 3. Temper4. Smile
- 5. Bed
- . Voice

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The Wind and the Sun

The Wind and the Sun were disputing which was the stronger.

Suddenly they saw a traveller coming down the road, and the Sun said: "I see a way to decide our dispute. Whichever of us can cause that traveller to take off his cloak shall be regarded as the stronger. You begin."



So the Sun retired behind a cloud, and the Wind began to blow as hard as it could upon the traveller.

But the harder he blew the more closely did the traveller wrap his cloak round him, till at last the Wind had to give up in despair.

Then the Sun came out and shone in all his glory upon the traveller, who soon found it too hot to walk with his cloak on.

MORAL: "Kindness effects more than severity"



