

CLASS 7

FORGOTTEN SUNAN IN THE SOCIETY

Wishing well for others

Anas (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Prophet ﷺ said, "*No one of you shall become a true believer until he desires for his brother what he desires for himself*". [Al-Bukhari and Muslim].

Not Holding grudges past Monday or Thursday

Abu Huraim reported Allah's Messenger ﷺ as saying, "*The deeds of people would be presented every week on two days, viz. Monday and Thursday, and every believing servant would be granted pardon except the one in whose (heart) there is rancour against his brother and it would he said: Leave them and put them off until they are turned to reconciliation.*" (Sahih Muslim)

Replying after sneezing

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, "*A believer owes another believer five rights: responding to greetings, visiting him in illness, following his funeral, accepting his invitation, and saying `Yarhamuk-Allah (May Allah have mercy on you),` when he says `Al-hamdu lillah (Praise be to Allah)` after sneezing". [Al-Bukhari and Muslim].*

Muslim's narration is, "*There are six rights of a Muslim upon a Muslim: When you meet him, greet him; when he invites you, respond to him; when he seeks counsel, give him advice; when he sneezes and praises Allah, say to him: `May Allah have mercy on you (Yarhamuk-Allah)`; when he is sick, visit him; and when he dies, follow his funeral*".

Taking and Giving Gifts

It was narrated that 'Aa'ishah (may Allaah be pleased with her) said: *The Messenger of Allaah ﷺ would accept gifts and reciprocate for them*. Narrated by al-Bukhaari (2585).

Being Good with Neighbors and avoiding harm

One of the very well known facts but still not being followed, the rights of neighbors are great but not many are following it.

Allah's Messenger ﷺ said: -

- 'Abdullaah ibn 'Amr Al-'Aas used to slaughter and eat meat, he would ask about his Jewish neighbor, and would order for some of the meat to be sent to his Jewish neighbour. And he said, "*Verily I heard the Prophet ﷺ say, 'Jibreel kept giving me testimony concerning the neighbour until I believed that he would inherit from me.'*" (Bukhaari and Muslim, also from the narration of 'Aa'isha and Ibn 'Umar).
- "*Whoever believes in Allah and the Last Day should do well to his neighbour.*" (Muslim)
- "*Whoever believes in Allah and the Last Day should not harm his neighbour.*" (Al-Bukhari and Muslim)
- "*If you cook something with gravy, increase the gravy and send some of it to your neighbors*" (Al-Bukhari, and Muslim).

FORGOTTEN SUNAN OF THE MARKET

Disliking the Markets

The Prophet ﷺ said: "*The most beloved places on Earth to Allah are its mosques, and the most despised places on Earth to Allah are its markets.*" [Sahîh Muslim] SubhaanAllah and now we see that the most visited place by Muslims are the Markets!

From all the places on Earth, Allah loves the mosques above all else. They fulfill the most important function. They are the places where those on Earth make contact with their Creator and Sustainer. The Arabic word for prayer – salâh – means to make a connection between the worshipper and his Lord.

As for the markets, they are not "the most despised places on Earth to Allah" on account of the buying and selling that goes on there. That is not the reason at all.

They are despised because of all the deception and fraud that goes on. The markets are places where false measure is given, and where every day false oaths are sworn. They are places of stinginess, avarice, wrangling, and disputation.

At the same time, we find that this hadîth provides us with a very essential and important concept. By placing the market in comparison with the mosques, the hadîth is acknowledging that the marketplace is an institution in Muslim society, just like the mosque is.

Life is not only about the mosque. The mosque and the marketplace are both integral parts of society.

Allah's believing servants are people who engage in buying and selling. However, they do not let their commerce distract them from the remembrance of Allah. There is harmony between the rights of this world and the rights of the Hereafter. Allah says: *"And do not forget your share of the worldly life."* [Sûrah al-Qasas: 77]

And Allah knows best.

Entering the market whilst saying

The Messenger of Allaah – ﷺ – said;

"Whoever enters a market place and says

لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ يُحْيِي وَيُمِيتُ وَهُوَ حَيٌّ لَا يَمُوتُ بِيَدِهِ الْخَيْرُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

'Laa ilaaha illallaahu wahdahu laa shareeka lah, lahul mulku wa lahul hamdu yuhyee wa yumeetu wahuwa hayyun laa yamootu, biyadihi alkhayru wahuwa ala kulli shayyin qadeer'

(There is none worthy of worship in truth except Allah alone, He has no partners, He has the dominion and for him is all the praise, He gives life and he takes life and he is the ever living and does not die, in his hand is goodness and he is capable of all things)

Allaah will write for him thousand thousand reward and erase from him thousand thousand sin and raise him thousand thousand and build for him a house in Jannah!" [al-Nasa'ee & at-Tirmidhi; Shaikh al-Albaanee said the hadeeth is Hasan]

Not cheating or lying during trade/business dealings or falsely taking an oath for the same.

This is a Major Sin which in the present time our Brothers & Sisters doing business have forgotten, they do what it takes to get their product sold when Prophet ﷺ has given a stern warning against it.

The Messenger of Allaah ﷺ said: *"Whoever cheats (or deceives) does not belong to me." And "There are three to whom Allah will not speak on the Day of Resurrection, or will He look at them, or sanctify them, and theirs will be a painful torment: Abu Dharr said: "May they be lost and doomed: He said: "The one who drags his Izar (below the ankles) the one who sells his product by means of false oaths, and the one who reminds others (Al-Mannan) of what he has given to them" (i.e recounts his favors) [an-Nasa'i]*

To pay the wage/salary of the worker on time.

Abdullah ibn Umar reported: The Messenger of Allah, ﷺ, said, *"Pay the worker his wages before his sweat has dried."* [Ref: Sunan Ibn Majah 2436; Hasan (fair) according to Ibn Hajar]

Visiting the sick and reciting the virtuous dua'a while doing so.

Narrated that 'Ali (may Allaah be pleased with him) said: I heard the Messenger of Allaah ﷺ say: *"There is no Muslim who visits a (sick) Muslim early in the morning but seventy thousand angels send blessings upon him until evening comes, and if he visits him in the evening, seventy thousand angels send blessings upon him until morning comes, and he will have a garden in Paradise."* [Al-Tirmidhi (969), Classed as saheeh by al-Albaani in Saheeh al-Tirmidhi]

The Prophet ﷺ said: *"Whoever visits a sick person who is not yet dying, and says seven times in his presence: 'As'alu Allaaha rabb al-'arsh il-'azeem an yashfiyaka (I ask Allaah, Lord of the mighty Throne, to heal you), Allaah will heal him of that sickness."* [Narrated by Ahmad and Abu Dawood (3106), Classed as saheeh by al-Albaani]

To suppress arrogance and say "I do not know"

It is reported that 'Alî b. Abî Tâlib – Allâh be pleased with him – said, "The servant [of Allâh] should not fear except his sins, and should not hope except in his Lord. The ignorant should not be ashamed to ask, *and the knowledgeable should not be ashamed to say – if he does not know something – 'Allâh knows best.'*" [Al-Bayhaqi, Shu'ab Al-Eemaan, Vol.12 p195]

To not to Argue

Unfortunately our young brothers & sisters have taken this as an ibaadah, they go on and on arguing about things when we do not have to, specially on the Social Media where we don't even know that the person intends to learn or just have a go at you.

The Messenger of Allaah – ﷺ – said; *"I guarantee a house in lowest parts of Jannah for the one who leaves off argument even when he is right, and a house in the middle part of Jannah for the one who leaves off lying even if hes just joking, and a house in the highest part of Jannah for the one with good manners"*[Sunan Abi Dawud 4800 and Silsilah as-Saheeha v. 1 p. 491]

FORGOTTEN SUNAN OF SAYING SALAM

To spread the Islamic greeting to both known and Unknown Muslims

The Prophet ﷺ made spreading salaam a part of faith. Al-Bukhaari (12, 28 and 6236), Muslim (39), Ahmad (2/169), Abu Dawood (5494), al-Nisaa'i, (8/107) and Ibn Hibbaan (505) narrated from 'Abd-Allaah ibn 'Umar that a man asked the Messenger of Allaah ﷺ: *"What is the best thing in Islam?"* He said, *"Feeding others and giving the greeting of salaam to those whom you know and those whom you do not know."*

To try and initiate Greeting

Abu Umamah Sudaiy bin `Ajlun Al-Bahili (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, "*The person nearest to Allah is one who is the first to offer greeting.*" [Abu Dawud].

Who Greets who

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, '*A rider should greet a pedestrian; a pedestrian should greet one who is sitting; and a small group should greet a large group (of people).*' [Al-Bukhari and Muslim].

The narration in Al-Bukhari adds: Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, "*The young should greet the elderly.*"

Saying Assalamu `alaykum to children whenever we pass by them

Anas (May Allah be pleased with him) passed by some children and greeted them (by saying As-salamu 'alaikum to them). Then he said: *The Prophet ﷺ used to do the same.* [Al-Bukhari and Muslim].

Shaking Hands and Smiling

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, "*Two Muslims will not meet and shake hands without having their sins forgiven (by Allah) before they depart.*" [Abu Dawud].

Abu Dharr (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said to me, "*Do not belittle any good deed, even your meeting with your brother (Muslim) with a cheerful face.*" [Muslim].

Praising your creditor (one who gave you a loan) while returning his loan back

It was narrated from Isla'il bin Ibrahim bin 'Abdullah bin Abi Rabi'ah, from his father, that his grandfather said: "*The Prophet borrowed forty thousand from me, then some wealth came to him, and he paid me back and said: 'May Allah bless your family and your wealth for you: the reward for lending is praise and repayment.'*" [Ref: Sunan an-Nasa`ee (4683); Saheeh by Hafidh Zubayr `Ali Zae]

Hiding faults

Ibn `Umar (May Allah be pleased with them) reported: Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, "*A Muslim is a brother of another Muslim. So he should not oppress him nor should he hand him over to (his satan or to his self which is inclined to evil). Whoever fulfills the needs of his brother, Allah will fulfill his needs; whoever removes the troubles of his brother, Allah will remove one of his troubles on the Day of Resurrection; and whoever covers up the fault of a Muslim, Allah will cover up his fault on the Day of Resurrection.*" [Al-Bukhari and Muslim].

Finding excuses

The saying of Abdullah ibn Muhammad ibn Munazil (r) of the early Muslims: "The believer seeks excuses for their brethren, while the hypocrite seeks out the faults of their brethren." [Sulami, Adab al-Suhba]

Important note: Making excuses does not mean that one should stand for mistreatment or abuse. One must seek understanding and forgiveness, but also take measures to protect oneself from harm. "Do not oppress and do not BE oppressed..."

Simple Marriages

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ rightly said, "*Make Marriage easy and Zina Difficult*" (Tirmidhi).

So the extravagant Marriages are one of the reasons zina is wide spread as people are not able to marry and eventually falling in to the grave sin.

May Allah help us all Learn the Good to apply it in our lives and the Evil to stay away from it InshaAllah!