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Belief in Allah's Knowledge (13)

Fulfillment of trust (husband - wife) (6)

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My dearest spouses: Please answer these questions!!

A Message from the heart

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Over the last two weeks, we sent two messages to our beloved husbands. In the first message, it was the wife clarifying to her husband that he is her way to all the happiness in the worldly life and also he is her way to the Paradise, through her obedience to the rules of Allah regarding marriage. Last week, we (wives) sent a message to our beloved husbands to remind them that we (wives) are in continuous need of their affection, mercy, sympathy, support, and companionship. It is the kindness towards the wives that Prophet Mohamed reminded the muslim husband to have all the time.

We mentioned the duties of the husbands towards their wives according to the Quranic rule which

Allah mentioned in Surah (4) The women, V. (19)

"And live with them on the footing of kindness and equality."

Again, let's realize in depth the meaning of the Hadith of Prophet Mohamed (S.A.W) who said:

"Treat women kindly, for woman was created from

a rib, the part of its that is most bent is the top. If you try to straighten it, you will break it. and if you leave it, it will remain bent, so treat women kindly."

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This is the mercy of Islam, as Prophet Mohamed (S.A.W) is explaining the reason for the husbands to have kindness and affection to their wives. It is because of the which is part of their nature.

This is the reality of the women nature: is that she is like a bent rib., so if you (husband)

try to straighten it by insisting that your

wife must follow the commands all the time with no excuses or any acceptance for mild mistakes,

i.e. Looking always for perfection, this will lead to break of the rib i.e. destruction of the spirit of your wife because she can't tolerate the pressure and the toughness and harshness as these manners do not fit the bent nature which she is created with i.e. it is part of her nature, which never changes. And if you try to be kind to her, you need to use your tolerance and wisdom, believing that, she is still having nature

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of the bent rib.

Conclusion

∴ Let's all (husbands and wives), try to become realistic regarding our nature and how to accommodate our lives according to it.

Allah the Creator, informed the husbands that kindness, tolerance and wisdom are the Commands of Allah to them regarding their wives as Allah mentioned in Surat (3) AL-Imran V: (159) and in Surat (4) An-Nisa V: (19).

In compensation, Allah commanded the righteous wives whom their husbands respect their bent nature, Allah commanded them to be devoutly obedient to their husbands.

This is the Islamic Fundamental basis
for the relation between the husband and the wives: tolerance, wisdom, kind treatment from the husband and devotion from the wife.

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My beloved husband: both of us have good intention towards each other and we married each other because of this good intention. So let's ask ourselves these questions so that we can ^{correctly} plan our priorities regarding our marriage band which is the most important band for both of us.

- 1- Are you aware of the importance of marriage in your life? (marriage is the most important event in your life)
- 2- Are you in reality believing that marriage is an act of worship to Allah?
- 3- Are you in reality living marriage as an act of worship?
- 4- Is your marriage successful?
- ⑤ 5- Are you selfish?
- 6- Are you enjoying the marriage bond as it was the case at the beginning of marriage?
- 7- Do you believe that "life is a test" and Allah is preparing an unaccountable reward for the patients?
- 8- Do you realize that life is very short and it does not deserve to be wasted in arguments and conflicts?
- 9- Do you believe that home is the place for tranquility

and rest and not the place for fighting, ~~headac~~
headache and upset?

10. Do you realize the importance of mental peace and tranquillity and compassion as the fruits of the successful marriage?

11. Do you believe that you and your spouse are created from one soul i.e. you complete each other?

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12. Do you believe that: the winner in the marriage company is the partner who gives more, tolerates more and is more patient?

13. Do you try to like the things which your spouse like (food-way of life...)?

14. Do you always try to prove that you are the one always having the correct points of view and decisions?

15. Do you try to keep your marriage issues and problems as "Private issues" i.e. never to be discussed with any one other than your spouse?

16- Do you admit your mistakes? and apologise?

17- Do you believe that sometimes your negative attitude is the reason for the feeling that your marriage is boring and unenjoyable?

18- Do you believe that we are lonely in spite of being married because we are the ones who build walls instead of bridges with our spouses?

19- Are you trying to write your name in the form of kindness, love and mercy on the heart and memory of your spouse?

20- Do you believe that "there is no place for dignity" between the husband and the wife?

21- Appreciation !! Is it around in your marriage?

22- Trust !! Is it around in your marriage?

23- Forgiveness !! ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

24- Respect !! ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

25- Loyalty !! ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

26. Is your marriage a journey for the whole life?

27. Do you agree that it is the right of your kids to have happy parents and peaceful family?

28. Do you agree that your kids deserve your wisdom and tolerance regarding your spouse?

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29. Have you ever felt that "I did a mistake regarding choosing my spouse?"

30. Do you agree that "in spite of all the difficulties but still I love my spouse, she (or he) is

31. Do you believe that "a successful muslim family is equal to a successful muslim community?"

For every spouse: Try to revise your answers alone and:

1- If most of your answers are "yes" more than 25 questions
∴ your marriage life is following the rules of Allah i.e. a successful one.

2- If your "yes" answers are less than 20.
∴ you need to revise your attitude and your belief regarding marriage as an act of worship

3- If your "yes" answers are less than 10.
Please revise "marriage classes in Islamic happiness.com."

The road to success in marriage:

Always remember that: The road to success in marriage is not straight, there is a curve called failure, a loop called confusion, caution lights called wife and kids but if you have a spare called determination, an engine called Love and affection insurance called Faith and a driver called Allah ^{reality} you will make marriage a place of success.

(a) Next week inshaAllah we will learn about the details of the plan of having marriage again successful.

InshaAllah, we will learn about marriage which can help us to have Love and affection always in our marriage. It is a story called "Can you me in your arms" (Try to understand the message of the story)

The lesson of the story: The small details in our lives are what really matter in a relationship. It is not the mansion, the car, the property or the bank account that matters. These create an environment conducive of happiness but cannot give happiness in themselves.

So, find time to be your spouse's friend and do these little things for each other that build a relationship :

Marriage story: Carry me in your arms

-10- When I got home that night as my wife served dinner, I held her hand and said: 'I've got something to tell you. She sat down and ate quietly. Again, I felt the hurt in her eyes.

Suddenly, I don't know how to say it. But I had to let her know what I am thinking. I want a divorce.

I raised the topic calmly. She didn't seem to be annoyed of my words, instead she asked me softly, why? I avoided her question. This made her angry. She shouted at me "you are not a man".

That night, we didn't talk to each other. She was weeping. I knew she wanted to find out what had happened to our marriage? But I could

hardly give her a satisfactory answer, I had lost my heart to a lovely girl whom I am planning to marry soon. I didn't love my wife anymore.

-11- With a deep sense of guilt, I drafted a divorce agreement which stated that she could own our house, the car and 30% shares of my company. She glanced at it and then tore it to pieces. She cried loudly in front of me, which was a kind of release. The idea of divorce which had obsessed me for several weeks seemed to be clearer and clearer now. I felt sorrow for her wasted time, resources and energy.

Next day, she presented her divorce conditions:

She didn't want anything from me, but she needed a month's notice before the divorce. During that month, we both must struggle to live as normal life as possible:

Her reasons were simple: our son has his exams in a month's time and she didn't want to disturb him.

with our broken marriage. But she had something more, she asked me to recall how I had carried her into our bridal room on our wedding day. She requested that everyday for the month's duration, I carry her out of our bedroom to the front door every morning. This was agreeable to me, but I thought she was going crazy.

12 On the first day, as I carried her for ten meters in my arms, our son clapped behind us, "daddy is holding mummy in his arms. His words bring me a sense of pain

On the 2nd day, both of us acted much more easily, but I started to realize that I hadn't looked at this woman carefully for a long time, she is not young any more. There were fine wrinkles on her face, her hair was gray. Our marriage had taken its toll on her.

On the 4th day when I lifted her up, I felt a sense of intimacy returning. This was the woman who had

given 15 years of her life to me. On the 5th and 6th Day,

I realized that our sense of intimacy was growing again.

I became easier to carry her as the month slipped by.

I suddenly realized that she must have lost a lot of weight and that is the reason why I could carry her more easily.

On the 20th Day, when I wake up, my son said: my

Father it's time to carry mum out. To him seeing his

Father carrying his mother out had become an

essential part of his life. My wife gestured to

our son to come close and hugged him tightly.

I turned my face away because I was afraid

I might change my mind at this last minute.

I then held her in my arms, walking from

the bedroom to the hallway through the sitting

room. Her hand surrounded my neck softly

and naturally. I held her body tightly,

it was just like our wedding day.

But her much lighter weight made me sad. On the last day, when I held her in my arms, I could hardly move a step. Our son had gone to school. I held her tightly and said: I hadn't noticed that our life lacked intimacy. I drove to office. I made my mind - I don't want to divorce any more.

14 I said to myself: my marriage life was boring probably because she and I didn't value the details of our lives, not because we didn't love each other any more. Now I realized that since I carried her into my home in our wedding day, I am supposed to hold her until one of us departs this world. On my way home, I ordered a bouquet of flowers for my wife, on the card of the flowers, I wrote: my lovely wife, I will carry you every morning until the last day of my life.

Dearest spouses : let everyone of us try to get

the benefit of this story, let's try to become

closer to each other. let's live the details of
our life ^{together} ↑. Let's have some time for our feelings

to renew and flourish. let's write cards and

messages of Love and Kindness to each other.

let's feel the warmth in our hearts through our

companionship. let's support each other because

we deeply need each other. Let's forget about

creating an environment of happiness through having

big house ^{or} a new car, but instead let's feel

and live the real happiness through building

bridges between our spirits.

Dearest spouses: this is a wisdom statement :

The happy people in this life are not those who have
no problems, but those who learn to live with

things that are less than perfect.

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