

*In the Name of Allah, The Most Gracious, The Most Merciful
Praise is to Allah and Peace and Mercy is upon Muhammad, Allah's Last Messenger and his Kin and Companions*

EDITORIAL

Narrated by Abu Hurairah (RAA): I heard the Messenger of Allah (SAAW) saying 'An ant bit a Prophet amongst the Prophets, and he ordered that the house of the ants be burnt. So, Allah inspired to him, 'It is because one ant bit you that you burnt a nation amongst the nations that glorify Allah?' (Saheeh Al-Bukhari, Hadith No.: 3019).
The lessons from this Hadith are as follows:

1. We must exercise caution from anger as an outburst of anger can cause a person to act without thought which can lead to his own destruction.

2. The Hadith indicates that we must be fair and just in whatever we do. The Qur'an says, '... no bearer of burdens shall bear the burden of another' (Qur'an, C6, V164). In this Hadith in which the unnamed Prophet had killed a whole nation of ants when only one of the ants had bitten him, we notice that he was only allowed to take revenge on the particular ant that hurt him and not on any other ant.

3. The Hadith also indicates that ants are among the species that glorifies Allah, the Almighty, the Exalted. The Qur'an says, 'The seven heavens and the earth and whatever is in them exalt Him. And there is not a thing except that it exalts [Allah] by His praise, but you do not understand their [way of] exalting. Indeed, He is ever Forbearing and Forgiving' (Qur'an, C17, V44). That is, 'The seven heavens and the earth and whatever is in them exalt Him. And there is not a thing' from animals that talk and other living organisms like trees and other plants – whether moving or motionless, dead or living – 'except that it exalts [Allah] by His praise' – whether circumstantial, or otherwise, 'but you do not understand their [way of] exalting' – because you do not speak the same language with these other living organisms. But Allah, the Exalted, the Almighty, and the All-Knower of all that is hidden or unseen, understands all languages. No doubt, this verse of Surat-el-Isra should motivate the whole of mankind to increase their glorification and worship of Allah without associating any partner(s) with Him.

4. The Hadith also proves that a whole nation can be destroyed by the actions of a few. As a result of the bite of an ant, the whole nation of ants was destroyed. It thus shows that it is the responsibility of the society to hold the hands of its hot-headed mischievous members.

5. It teaches safeguarding the spilling of blood; in other words, a child who is prohibited from killing an ant will find killing another human without justification more reprehensible and blameworthy.

These are some of the lessons that can be learnt for the story of an ant and a Prophet that was related to us by our noble Prophet (SAAW), and may Allah make them to be of benefit to us in this world and the next (Ameen).

LESSONS OF THE MONTH

Narrated by Ibn Omar (RAA): A wife of Omar used to go to pray Jama'ah in the Masjid every Isha and Fajr prayers. She was told that Omar (RAA) was jealous and she said what prevents him from forbidding me to go to the masjid? He [i.e., Omar (RAA)] said what forbid me is the order of the Prophet (SAAW): "Do not prevent women from going to the mosques of Allah". (Saheeh-ul-Bukhari, Hadith No.: 900 and Saheeh-u-Muslim, Hadith No.: 442).

Narrated by Ibn Omar (RAA): Allah's Messenger (SAAW) said: "If the passer-by in front of the praying person knows how much sin he gets he would prefer to wait forty better than passing in front of the prayer [i.e., between the prayer and the barrier]". Ab-u-Nnadrh (the narrator) said: "I do not know he said forty days or months or years". (Saheeh-ul-Bukhari, Hadith No.: 510 and Saheeh-u-Muslim, Hadith No.: 507).



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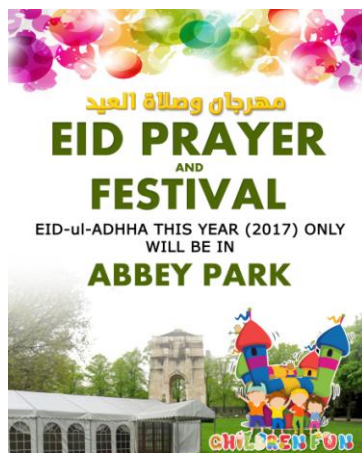
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Friday Khutbah:

1:15pm

Friday Prayer:

1:30pm



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EDITOR'S CHOICE

The Rights of the Companions of the Prophet SAW

The companions of the Prophet SAW are very precious to this Ummah. They have played very important role in helping Allah's course, in the support of Allah's Messenger, and in the struggle and fight against the disbelievers. Indeed, by Allah's Help, they preserved the Book of Allah and the teachings of the Prophet (SAAW). For these contributions of theirs, the Qur'an and sayings of the Prophet (SAAW) are filled with places where Allah and His Messenger raised their status, exonerated them, promised them great rewards and set their ways of life as good examples for generations of believers that will come after them. The Qur'an says: 'And the first to embrace Islam of the Muhajirun (those who migrated from Makkah to Al-Madinah) and the Ansar (the citizens of Al-Madinah who helped and gave aid to the migrants) and also those who followed them with good conduct - Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him, and He has prepared for them gardens beneath which rivers flow, wherein they will abide forever. That is the supreme success' (Qur'an, C9, V100).

In another verse, the Qur'an says: 'And why do you not spend in the cause of Allah while to Allah belongs the heritage of the heavens and the earth? Not equal among you are those who spent before the conquest [of Makkah] and fought [and those who did so after it]. Those are greater in degree than they who spent afterwards and fought. But to all Allah has promised the best [reward]. And Allah, with what you do, is Acquainted' (Qur'an, C57, V10).

Thus, we summarize some of the rights of the companions of the Prophet (SAAW) on us as follows:

1. To love, support and honour them: It is the beliefs of the true Muslims that it is obligatory to love, respects and honour the companions of the Prophet (SAAW) – may Allah be pleased with them all. In other words, we mention them in goodness and must not abhor them.

2. To pray for the companions of the Prophet (SAAW): This is a religious duty in which most people are either unaware of or are neglectful of – except, of course, those whom Allah Has showered His mercy upon. It is indeed one of the rights of the companions that we pray for them and seek Allah's forgiveness on their behalf, and that is because of their service for Islam. One of the special injunctions in the Qur'an that enjoins the believers to pray for them is the verse of the Qur'an that says: 'And [there is a share for] those who came after them, saying, "Our Lord, forgive us and our brothers who preceded us in faith and put not in our hearts [any] resentment toward those who have believed. Our Lord, indeed You are Kind and Merciful' (Qur'an, C59, V10). The understanding of the people of Sunnah is that this verse is a commandment to pray and ask Allah for forgiveness on behalf of the companions.

3. To defend them against anything that affects their prestige: There are some corrupt people and the people of innovations who have taken upon themselves the task of throwing insults to the companions of the Prophet (SAAW) as if it is a struggle for their of livelihood – we seek refuge in Allah. On our part, it is compulsory to defend the companions against any such insults from those who have gone astray. In a narration of Al-Bukhari, the Prophet (SAAW) said: 'Do not abuse my companions for if any one of you spent gold equal to Uhud (in Allah's Cause) it would not be equal to a MUD or even a half MUD [MUD means a handful] spent by one of them' (Saheeh Al-Bukhari, Hadith No.: 3673).

4. We should all try our best to follow the example of the Prophet's Companions (RAA) in the worshipping, moral and generally the practice of Islam.

May Allah SWT guide us to The Straight Path (Ameen).

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PRAYER TIMETABLE - July- 2017

BEGINNING TIME								JAMA'AH TIME				
Day	Date	Fajr	Sunrise	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghrib	Isha	Fajr	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghrib	Isha
Sat	01	02:47	04:45	1:13	5:33	9:34	10:49	3:00	1:30	5:45	9:39	11:00
Sun	02	02:48	04:46	1:14	5:33	9:34	10:48	3:15	1:30	5:45	9:39	11:00
Mon	03	02:49	04:47	1:14	5:33	9:33	10:48	3:15	1:30	5:45	9:38	11:00
Tue	04	02:51	04:48	1:14	5:33	9:33	10:47	3:15	1:30	5:45	9:38	11:00
Wed	05	02:52	04:49	1:14	5:33	9:32	10:46	3:15	1:30	5:45	9:37	11:00
Thu	06	02:53	04:50	1:14	5:33	9:32	10:45	3:15	1:30	5:45	9:37	11:00
Fri	07	02:54	04:51	1:14	5:32	9:31	10:44	3:15	1:30	5:45	9:36	11:00
Sat	08	02:56	04:52	1:15	5:32	9:30	10:43	3:15	1:30	5:45	9:35	11:00
Sun	09	02:57	04:53	1:15	5:32	9:30	10:42	3:30	1:30	5:45	9:35	11:00
Mon	10	02:58	04:54	1:15	5:32	9:29	10:41	3:30	1:30	5:45	9:34	11:00
Tue	11	03:00	04:55	1:15	5:32	9:28	10:40	3:30	1:30	5:45	9:33	11:00
Wed	12	03:01	04:56	1:15	5:32	9:27	10:39	3:30	1:30	5:45	9:32	11:00
Thu	13	03:03	04:57	1:15	5:31	9:26	10:37	3:30	1:30	5:45	9:31	11:00
Fri	14	03:04	04:58	1:15	5:31	9:25	10:36	3:30	1:30	5:45	9:30	11:00
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JUMUA'AH CEREMONY AT 27 OAKLAND ROAD LE2 6AN

JUMUA'AH SPEECH (KHUTBAH): 1:15PM. JUMUA'AH SALAH: 1:30PM (SUMMER TIME)

- Friday Circle from 8:00pm (For Men)
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