

## Qur'an & Hadith in Amany's 2023 Mid-Sha'ban Class

### **Good Actions, Kindness, and Forgiveness**

“Righteousness does not consist of turning your faces towards the East and the West. But righteous is he who believes in God, and the Last Day, and the angels, and the Scripture, and the prophets. Who gives money, though dear, to near relatives, and orphans, and the needy, and the homeless, and the beggars, and for the freeing of slaves; those who perform the prayers, and pay the obligatory charity, and fulfill their promise when they promise, and patiently persevere in the face of persecution, hardship, and in the time of conflict. These are the sincere; these are the pious. (Baqarah 177)

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### **Responding to Evil with What is Better**

“Respond to evil with what is best. We know well what they claim.” (Al-Muminun 96)

### **Urging Compassion**

”And—above all—to be one of those who have faith and urge each other to perseverance and urge each other to compassion.“ (Al-Balad 17)

### **Kindness that Uplifts**

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### **Sharing What You Love**

“You will never achieve righteousness until you donate some of what you cherish. And whatever you give is certainly well known to Allah.” (Al-Imran 92)

### **Saving a Life**

“That is why We ordained for the Children of Israel that whoever takes a life—unless as a punishment for murder or mischief in the land—it will be as if they killed all of humanity; and whoever saves a life, it will be as if they saved all of humanity. Although Our messengers already came to them with clear proofs, many of them still transgressed afterwards through the land.” (Al-Ma'idah 32)

### **How to Treat Your Parents**

“For your Lord has decreed that you worship none but Him. And honour your parents. If one or both of them reach old age in your care, never say to them even ‘Ugh,’ nor yell at them. Rather, address them respectfully.” (Al-Isra 23)

### **Being Good to All**

“Worship Allah alone’ and associate none with Him. And be kind to parents, relatives, orphans, the poor, near and distant neighbours, close friends, needy’ travellers, and those bondspeople’ in your possession. Surely Allah does not like whoever is arrogant, boastful.” (An-Nisa 36)

### **Making Peace between People**

“The believers are but one brotherhood, so make peace between your brothers. And be mindful of Allah so you may be shown mercy.” (Al-Huujurat 10)

### **Upholding Trusts & Promises and Being Faithful**

“ ‘The faithful’ are also those who are true to their trusts and covenants;and who are honest in their testimony.” (Al- Ma’arij 32-33)

### **Standing for Justice**

“O believers! Stand firm for justice as witnesses for Allah even if it is against yourselves, your parents, or close relatives. Be they rich or poor, Allah is best to ensure their interests. So do not let your desires cause you to deviate from justice’. If you distort the testimony or refuse to give it, then know that’ Allah is certainly All-Aware of what you do.” (An-Nisa 135)

## **Patience**

“And seek help through patience and prayer. Indeed, it is a burden except for the humble.” (Al-Baqarah 45)

## **Humility**

“The true` servants of the Most Compassionate are those who walk on the earth humbly, and when the foolish address them improperly`, they only respond with peace.” (Al Furqan 63)

## **Verifying News before Sharing**

“O believers, if an evildoer brings you any news, verify it` so you do not harm people unknowingly, becoming regretful for what you have done.: (Al-Hujurat 6)

## **Reflect upon Allah’s Signs**

“They are those who remember Allah while standing, sitting, and lying on their sides, and reflect on the creation of the heavens and the earth and pray, ‘Our Lord! You have not created all of this without purpose. Glory be to You! Protect us from the torment of the Fire.’ ” (Al-Imran 191)

## **Traveling to Seek Knowledge or Increase Faith**

“O Prophet, Travel throughout the land and see how He originated the creation, then Allah will bring it into being one more time. Surely Allah is Most Capable of everything.” (Al-Ankabut 20)

## **Fasting (beyond mandatory Ramadan)**

“O you who believe! Fasting is prescribed to you as it was prescribed to those before you, that you may (learn) self-restraint.” (Baqarah 183)

## **Dua, Dhikr & additional prayers**

“And the men who remember Allah often and the women who do so – for them Allah has prepared forgiveness and a great reward.” (Al-Ahzab 33:35)

## **Giving Charity (beyond mandatory zakah) Publicly and Privately**

“If you disclose your charity, it is good; but if you conceal it and give it to the poor, that is better for you.” (Baqarah 271)

## **Helping Orphans**

“Now, behold! We took the covenant of the Children of Israel, commanding them: You shall worship none but God. And to your parents you shall be good — as well as to close relatives, and to orphans, and to the poor. And you shall speak to people in a good way. And you shall establish the prayer. And you shall give the zakah.” (Baqarah 83)

## **Feeding a hungry person**

“(The righteous are those) who feed the poor, the orphan and the captive for the love of God, saying, ‘We feed you for the sake of God alone; we seek from you neither reward nor thanks.’ (Al-Insan 8-9)

## **From Hadith**

Second from the Quran in terms of guidance for mankind is Hadith-Sayings and traditions of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. There are a few below from Muslim, Bukhari and Abu Dawud.

## **Greeting People, including Strangers (Bukhari)**

“To feed (others) and to greet those whom you know and those whom you do not know.”

## **Planting a Tree (Bukhari)**

“If a Muslim plants a tree or sows seeds, and then a bird, or a person or an animal eats from it, it is regarded as a charitable gift (sadaqah) for him.”

## **Ensuring Good Treatment of Domestic Animals (Bukhari)**

“There is a reward for rendering service to every living animal”

### **Here are a few more common Hadith**

- Lending daily use items to others (Bukhari)
- Smiling at people and meeting them cheerfully (Abu Dawud)
- Inviting others over a meal and giving gifts (Bukhari)
- Giving sincere advice to those who seek it (Muslim)
- Refraining from exposing anyone's faults (Abu Dawud)
- Helping a manual worker perform a certain task (Bukhari)
- Facilitating a disabled person (Bukhari)
- Providing water to a thirsty stray dog (Bukhari)
- Removing an obstacle from the road (Muslim)
- Not arguing unnecessarily even when one is right (Abu Dawud)
- Blessing someone who sneezes (Bukhari)
- Visiting those who are sick (Bukhari)
- Following the funeral procession (Bukhari)