



ISLAMIC INSTRUCTIONS ON CHILDREN TO RESPECT THEIR PARENTS

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ABSTRACT

There are many instructions in Islam that children should respect their parents and take care of them when they are old. This is important in the education of the young generation. In this article is discussed about the Instructions about the respect of the children for their parents in Islam.

KEYWORDS

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INTRODUCTION

In our country, special attention is paid to elderly people, and large-scale work is being done to ensure their activeness in social and political life. Showing respect and kindness to the elderly is one of the main criteria of our social and spiritual life. Wise men are the blessing of the house, wherever they are, the family will be blessed, the youth will be polite and kind. Because the experience of people gained in great life tests is important in the education of the young generation.

Islam calls to show respect to the elderly and to be attentive to them. The Qur'an says about this: "Your Lord has commanded that you worship Him alone and do good to your parents. (O Mankind!) If one or both of them reaches old age in your presence, do not say

to them "Ugh!.." and do not jerk them! (Always) speak kindly to them!" (Surah Isra, verses 23-24)" [1:149].

In our general dictionary, it is confirmed that parents are obliged to feed and educate their children until they reach adulthood. There are many instructions about this in the Holy Quran and hadiths. Sh. Sodikova, professor of the Department of "Religious Psychology and Pedagogy" of the International Islamic Academy of Uzbekistan, Doctor of Sociology, says the following: "The more a child needs his parents when he is a baby, the more parents feel the need for their children's help when they grow old. Because Allah, the Exalted, blesses him like this: "Whoever We give long life, We make his body (bent, weak) as well." After all, don't



they have intelligence?!" (Surah Yasin, verse 68) [1:184].

In our holy religion, it is obligatory for every person to respect the elderly. About this, the head of the department of the Institute of State and Law of the Academy of Sciences of Uzbekistan, doctor of legal sciences, professor M. Baratov quotes the following: "The Prophet Akram, may God bless him and grant him peace, says: "Respect the elderly Muslims is to bow down to the Almighty." Or in another place they say: "If everyone knows the status and virtues of an elderly person according to his age and respects him, Allah Almighty will save him from fear and anxiety of the Hereafter." Respecting older people and showing love to younger people is considered one of the main instructions of Islam. Imam Sadiq, peace be upon him, says: "Those who do not show mercy to the young and do not respect the elders are not of us" [1:191].

In books on education, young people are advised about their obligations to their parents as follows: Keep your love for your father, if you lose your love for your father, God will deprive you of various favors; Allah forbids swearing by the name of the fathers; A person who keeps his father's friends as friends even after his father's death is the best of the best; you and your property are your father's; visiting his father's relatives; it is good to respect one's father's friend; The virtue of people is in their religion, their kindness is in their mind, and their reputation is in their morals. Sh. Sadiqova quotes the following about this: "In the Holy Qur'an, Surah "Isra", verses 23-24, it is commanded to do good to parents: "O man, if one or both of them reach the age of old age in your presence, say to them: do not say and do not jerk them! Always say something nice to them! For them, with kindness, lower the wing of humiliation and pray: "O Lord! Say that you have mercy on them as they brought me up when I was a baby" [1:184].

The presence of elderly people in the family is happiness. As a person ages, his body weakens. But the existence of old people who have experienced various trials of life is a great blessing of Allah Almighty to all of us. The Messenger of Allah (s.a.w.) said about this: "If there were not among you old men, grazing creatures, and nursing babies, calamities would have flowed down upon you like a torrent" [1:184].

God commanded us to do good to the elderly and show them respect. Obedience to Allah's command is to glorify Him. The Messenger of Allah (s.a.w.) said, "He who does not show mercy to our children and respect our elders is not one of us" [1:125] (Narrated by Imam Abu Dawud and At-Tirmidhi). That is, respecting the elderly is a sign of being a Muslim. Special attention was paid to this during the time of the prophets who preceded our Prophet (s.a.w.). For example, when Moses (peace be upon him) went to the village of Madyan, he saw a group of people watering their cattle in front of the well there. On the other side, two women were watering their cattle. Then Musa (peace be upon him) asked those women why they came to water. Then the women say that there is no other man in the family except the old father, and he only waters after the men here have finished watering. After that, Musa (peace be upon him) watered the women's cattle. When they told their father what had happened, he called Musa (peace be upon him) to him and thanked him. Another important aspect of this incident is that, in turn, Musa (peace be upon him) told that person why they came to these lands and asked him for advice.

Our Prophet (s.a.w.) was an example of respecting the elderly. For example, when he was with the Companions in Makkah, an old woman was walking with a heavy load in her hands. It should be mentioned that Rasulullah (s.a.w.) immediately went and carried the heavy burden in his hand and delivered it to the



woman's house, and thanked and prayed for the old woman in turn. Hazrat Ali (q.v.) also respected another religious representative who was older and did not think it necessary to walk before him. It was definitely a sign of tolerance and respect for the elderly. In another hadith, the Messenger of Allah (s.a.w.) said: "Consult with the elders, ask questions from the scholars and mingle with the wise" [1:126].

Another instructive story should be mentioned about this. One of his disciples came to the Sheikh and said:

"Teacher, my prayers are not being accepted, why is that?" he asked.

- Do you have parents? - Sheikh answered the question with a question.

"Yes, thank God, my parents are alive," said the student.

The sheikh laughed:

"I didn't ask you if your parents are alive." I asked if your parents are included in your prayers.

The student bowed his head and said no, I do not mention my parents in my prayers. In this way, the student understood why his prayers were not being answered. So, parents should pray for their children's life.

In our religion, there are also instructions about relatives. In particular, interrupting communication between them is strongly condemned. For example, "Allah, the Most High, gives this blessing in the Holy Qur'an: "Worship Allah and do not associate anything with Him! And do good to your parents! Also (do good) to relatives, orphans, the poor, relatives, neighbors, strangers, companions, travelers and dependents! Indeed, God does not love arrogant and boastful people" (Nisa, 36)" [2: 45 number. 4]. In this verse,

doing good to loved ones is mentioned among the orders to pray to Allah and not to associate partners with Him. So, as mentioned in the verse, going back and forth with parents and relatives is one of the most important requirements of Sharia.

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