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Story of the Prophet

Muhammad's (S.A.W.) Forgiveness

Ikrimah was one of those who led the persecution of Muslims in Makkah, his father Abu Jahl being the most ardent enemy of Islam. Ikrimah led the left flank of the Quraysh army against the Muslims in the Battle of Uhud, and he led an attack against the Muslims in the Battle of the trench. When the Quraysh finally surrendered and the Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W.) conquered Makkah, Ikrimah was one of the few who fought trying to prevent the Muslims from entering Makkah, before fleeing. His wife Umm Hakeem, however had embraced Islam and obtained a pardon from the Prophet Muhammad so that Ikrimah could return. She persuaded Ikrimah saying, "I have come to you from the most gracious of men, the most affectionate and forgiving, the best of men; he has granted you protection so accept it." Ikrimah agreed.

The way the Prophet went out of his way to welcome his former persecutor is truly remarkable. The Prophet Muhammad told his followers before Ikrimah's arrival, "Verily Ikrimah is coming to you as a faithful migrant, so be sure not to insult his father, because insulting the dead only

VIRTUE

The Prophet (S.A.W.) said,

"There are two statements that are light for the tongue to remember, heavy in the Scales and are dear to the Merciful: 'Subhan-Allahi wa bihamdihi, Subhan-Allahil-Azim [Glory be to Allah and His is the praise, (and) Allah, the Greatest is free from imperfection]'."

[Al-Bukhari and Muslim]

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causes grievance to the living and does not reach the dead.” When Ikrimah arrived, the Prophet Muhammad stood up, rejoiced and welcomed him lovingly.

[Mustadrak al-Hakim]

Ikrimah went on to become one of the most passionate defenders of Islam.



Abu Bakr Warraq (May Allah be pleased with him) said,

“Rajab is a month of cultivation, Shaban is month of irrigating the fields, and the month of Ramadhan is a month of reaping and harvesting.”

The month of Rajab is a sacred month and the first, virtuous and noble of them all. So, it is appropriate to give attention to it by performing good acts, and refraining oneself from sins and offensive things, because it is the month of Allah.

Story of the Sahabah

Hanzala & Abu Bakr (R.A.)

Hanzala Usayyidi reported: I met Abu Bakr. He said: How are you? He (Hanzala) said: Hanzala has turned to be a hypocrite. He (Abu Bakr) said: SubhanAllah, what are you saying? Thereupon he said: I say that when we are in the company of Allah's Messenger ^(S.A.W.) we ponder over Hell-Fire and Paradise as if we are seeing them with our very eyes and when we are away from Allah's Messenger ^(S.A.W.) we attend to our wives, our children, our business; most of these things slip out of our minds. Abu Bakr said: By Allah, I also experience the same. So, I and Abu Bakr went to Allah's Messenger ^(S.A.W.) and said to him: Allah's Messenger, Hanzala has turned to be a hypocrite.

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Thereupon Allah's Messenger ^(S.A.W.) said: What has happened to you? I said: Allah's Messenger, when we are in your company, we are reminded of Hell-Fire and Paradise as if we are seeing them with our own eyes, but whenever we go away from you and attend to our wives, children and business, much of these things go out of our minds. Thereupon Allah's Messenger ^(S.A.W.) said: By Him in Whose Hand is my life, if your state of mind remains the same as it is in my presence and you are always busy in remembrance (of Allah), the Angels will shake hands with you in your beds and in your paths but, Hanzala, time should be devoted (to the worldly affairs) and time (should be devoted to prayer and meditation). He (the Holy Prophet) said this thrice.

DID YOU KNOW?

What is required of the worshipper is to cover his 'awrah whilst praying, according to the consensus of the Muslims. The 'awrah of a man is the area between the navel and the knees, according to the majority of scholars. With regard to women, the hair and the entire body are 'awrah and she has to cover them, apart from the face and hands.

Allah says, "Take your adornment (by wearing your clean clothes) while praying" [A'raaf 7:31].

What the worshipper must do is to prepare for his/her prayer before he/she starts to pray. So, one should put on clothes that he/she is certain will cover his/her 'awrah and leave clothes that may let something of his/her 'awrah show whilst praying, lest some part of the 'awrah be uncovered when he bows or prostrates.

Keeping a Healthy Diet

Islam's holistic approach to health includes treating our bodies with respect and nourishing them with, not only faith, but also with lawful, nutritious food. A major part of living life according to the Creator's instructions is implementing a suitable diet. Choosing wholesome food and avoiding the unwholesome is essential to good health. Allah says in the Quran, "Eat of the good things which We have provided for you." (Quran 2:173) "Eat of what is lawful and wholesome on the earth." (Quran 2:168)

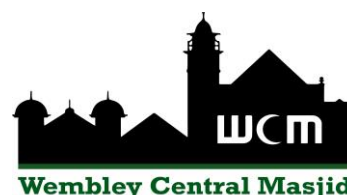
The Quran contains many verses of advice about healthy eating that relate to the interconnectedness of physical and spiritual health. Encouragement to eat only good and pure food is often combined with warnings to remember Allah and avoid Satan. Healthy eating not only satisfies hunger but also has an effect on how well we worship.

"O mankind eat from whatever is on earth [that is] lawful and good and do not follow the footsteps of Satan. Indeed, he is to you a clear enemy." (Quran 2:168)

If one becomes obsessed with food or indulges in too much unwholesome or junk food, he or she may become physically weak or distracted from his primary purpose of serving Allah. On the other hand, if one concentrated exclusively on spiritual endeavours and neglected their health and nutrition, weakness injury or illness would also result in failure to carry out obligatory worship. The guidance found in the Quran and the traditions of Prophet Muhammad advise humankind to maintain a balance between these two extremes.

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RAMADHAN MARQUEE

By the grace of Allah, the Management Committee at Wembley Central Masjid has been organising & hiring a marquee in the month of Ramadhan to accommodate for the vast number of attendees during the holy month for many years.

The cost comes up to, approximately £6000. We would like to urge brothers & sisters to contribute towards this expense to gain the reward of all those utilising these facilities for Iftar & Tarawih Salah.

To donate please contact the Management Committee or make a bank transfer to the details provided on the back of the newsletter.

RAMADHAN IFTAR

The Messenger of Allaah (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said: **“Whoever feeds a fasting person will have a reward like that of the fasting person, without any reduction in his reward.”** [Tirmidhi - 807; Ibn Maajah – 1746]

Alhamdulillah, the Management Committee at Wembley Central Masjid has been catering and providing extra facilities during Ramadhan for many years. WCM caters for the Iftar of 400-500 people every day, during our holy month of Ramadhan. This is a daily expense of £500 to cater for our fasting brothers & sisters.

The Management Committee also organises Suhur in the last ten days of Ramadhan, catering for the people in I'tekaaf & other worshippers.

We request our brothers & sisters to donate generously, thereby acting upon the above-mentioned Hadith and gaining the reward of the fasting people. To donate please contact the Management Committee or make a bank transfer to the details provided on the back of the newsletter.



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Imam Interview

In light of recent tragic events, we reproduce an interview between our Imam and a journalist:

Journalist (J): As salaamu alaikum. What lessons can one learn from the increasing recent hate speech and actions against Muslims?

Imam Gonzales (I): Wa alaikumus salaam wa rahmatullaah. Alhamdulillah. Recent events highlight several important areas to which we should pay attention. I'll briefly state a few.



Imam Shaykh Hassan Gonzalez

1. Almighty Allaah is most powerful and has full control over all of His creation.
2. He sent His last messenger and prophet Muhammad (may the peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) as a Mercy to all of the Worlds as Allaah states in reference to Sura Anbiya 21, verse 107: "...and We didn't send you except as a Mercy to the Worlds...". This 'mercy to all the worlds' brought us guidance in Allaah's divine book--the Holy Quran, and in his Sunnah or practices. His lifestyle ensures that one become closer to Allaah by worshipping Him and fulfilling our duties and obligations to our fellow creation.

J: Excuse me, Imam, while that is fine; how can people respond to hate crimes.

I: I'm glad that you are raising this point and that the mass media got it right in this instant that it was a terrorist attack. First of all, we offer our deepest condolences to the relatives for the sudden loss of their near and dear ones. Secondly, we remind them to be of glad tidings and good cheer, in that Almighty Allaah has tested us and taken these souls in what we clearly see as a martyr's end...Allahumma aameen.

To answer your question, we respond according to the instruction of Almighty Allaah as referenced in Suratul Fussilat 41:33-35. Allaah reminds us that good and evil are never equal. That we should strive to behave better to others, so much so, that you treat enmity with the noble traits of forbearance and kindness as if the perpetrator was a close companion. It was also narrated that our prophet would cry upon seeing the corpse of a non-Muslim and say that such a soul fell out of his (Rasoolullaah's) grasp and ended up in the Hellfire.

J: So, are you saying that one should love one's enemies?

I: Absolutely. From the point of view of Islam, the Quranic guidance and the Sunnah has been revealed from the Creator for the guidance of everyone in His Creation. It was Rasoolullaah's mission, and it is ours, to strive for Islam to come into our lives, into our family lives, and into the lives of all of mankind, inshaAllah.

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J: So, if I understand you, the Muslim must counter hatred of Islam and Muslims by espousing Islam?

I: Indeed. If you consider human nature, one is always cautious and fearful of anything one doesn't know or understand. This is also the case for most non-Muslims. If we practice our duty of inviting mankind to Islam, we will remove the misnomers, misconceptions and misinformation about Islam and Muslims, and in so doing, pave the way for others to think about and seriously consider Islam, submission to Almighty Allaah, as their way of life. (...to be continued...).

The Importance of the Madrassah

Children learning Quran and Islamic knowledge for a few hours in the evening may seem insignificant, but we must remember the saying of our beloved Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W.), "The best among you are those who learn the Qur'an and teach it." (Sahih al-Bukhari 5027)

Our Children are invaluable assets of the future and Islam has given particular attention for their education and upbringing. These generations will become the torchbearers of Islamic values and play an effective role in the present world. Today we need an educational system that can produce Muslim scientists, Muslim economists, Muslim jurists, Muslim statesmen, in brief, Muslim experts in all fields of knowledge who would be the ambassadors of Islam.



By Shaikh Mubashir Ali

The children are the future. The future lies in our hands, but only through knowledge because whoever neglects learning in his youth loses the past and is dead for the future. We must engage the youth and attract them to the Masjid.

If we are not going to equip them with sound Islamic knowledge they will be sucked up into this world and forget who their creator is. Remember, in the Hadith of Sahih Muslim, Rasulullah (S.A.W.) said that after a person passes away nothing will avail him except three things; ongoing sadaqah, beneficial knowledge, pious children, who will make dua for him after his death.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Due to unforeseen circumstances many events scheduled for the month of February have been postponed. The dates for these events will be announced soon inShaAllah.

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RAISE YOUR VOICE

GIRLS Public Speaking Programme

11-14 YEAR OLDS

STARTING MONDAY 8TH APRIL

6 WORKSHOPS THROUGH HALF-TERM

Time: 15:15-16:30
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Take the Mic presents:

RAISE YOUR VOICE- the public speaking course for GIRLS 11-14 year olds!

Wembley Central Masjid will be hosting us for this brilliant programme to develop young people's confidence, character and self-esteem (whilst also learning skills through games and activities to become public speakers).

The workshops are divided into 6 sessions Throughout the Easter holidays starting on Monday 8th April.

Time: 16:30-17:45

Venue: Wembley Central Masjid, 35-37 Ealing Road, Wembley, HA0 4AE

Dates: Monday 8th April to Tuesday 16th April

For pricing and to register, please visit:

<https://www.projecttakethemic.co.uk/event-info/raise-your-voice-girls-level-1>

For more info contact:

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OTHER EVENTS

Inspired Minds
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PRESENT

AN INTRODUCTION TO MUSLIM MENTAL HEALTH

THE TOPICS COVERED IN THE WORKSHOP INCLUDE:

- What mental health is
- Depression, its causes and effects
- Basic understanding of mental health disorders
- How to self-help and help others around you
- Promoting healthy mental wellbeing
- Islam and mental health

DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON

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Free Entry

THE STORY OF PROPHET ADAM (AS)

DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON

Boys and Girls 5-7 yrs

1:30-3:30 pm -Sisters Section (upstairs)

Story Telling
Arts and Crafts
Fun Activities

To register your child please text
Hiba: 07914 487251

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FOR BROTHERS AGED 11+

FRIENDSHIP AND BROTHERHOOD

DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON

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Join us for an interactive workshop to uncover the power of true friendship and brotherhood and how it can help you be successful.

The workshop will be led by Brother Harun Asif who is experienced in helping young Muslims achieve their academic, career and spiritual goals by delivering mentoring and educational programs across the UK.

TO REGISTER PLEASE TEXT TASIF - 07533570625

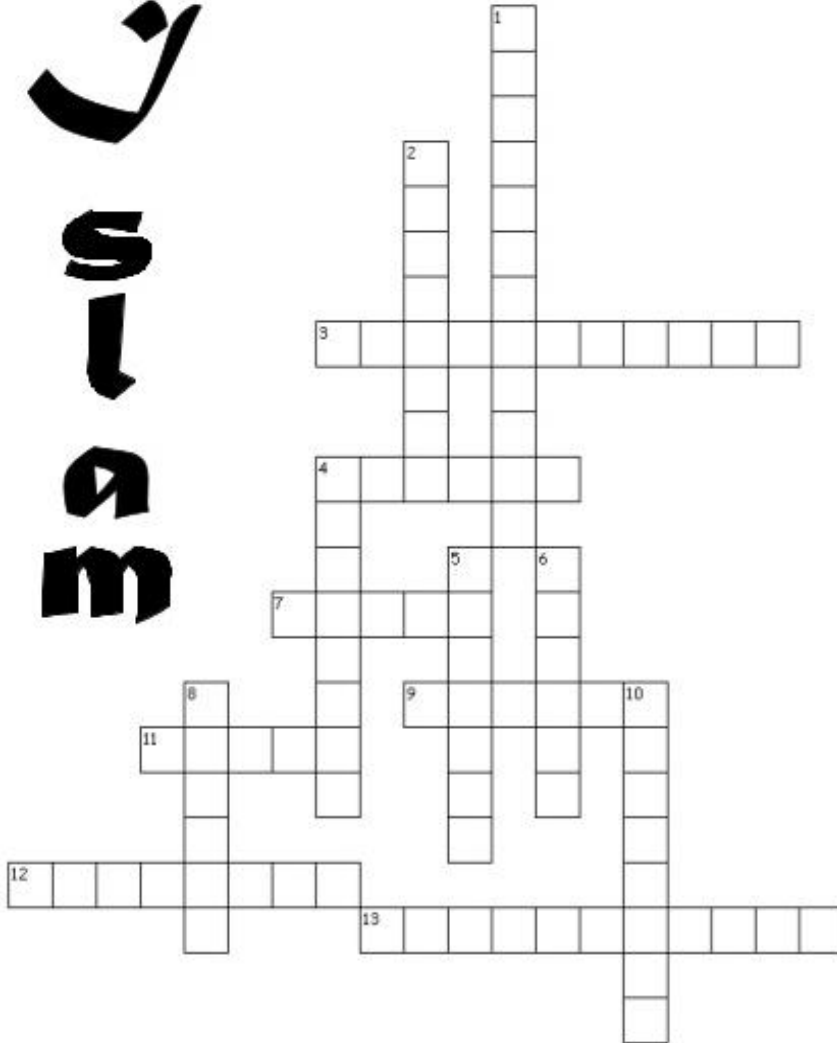
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3. The country where Islam began in.
4. The name for someone who believes and worships Allah.
7. This place is considered the holiest place of Islam.
9. Abu Bakr became the first _____ which means he was a successor of Muhammad.
11. The city where Muhammad was born.
12. Muslims were very _____ of their conquered people, meaning they were lenient.
13. Many _____ helped the exchange of ideas.

Down

1. Islam believes only in one god, therefore is a _____ religion.
2. Nomads who lived in Arabia's deserts.
4. The prophet of Allah
5. Muslims fast during _____.
6. The city where Muhammad founded Islam
8. Geographically, Saudi Arabia is made up of mostly _____.
10. The Quran is the _____ of Islam.



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