

# MUTUAL RESPECT TOWARDS EACH OTHER

Let us be grateful with the ni'mah of Islam and imaan that have been bestowed with by striving to increase our knowledge and practice, as well as our taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala.

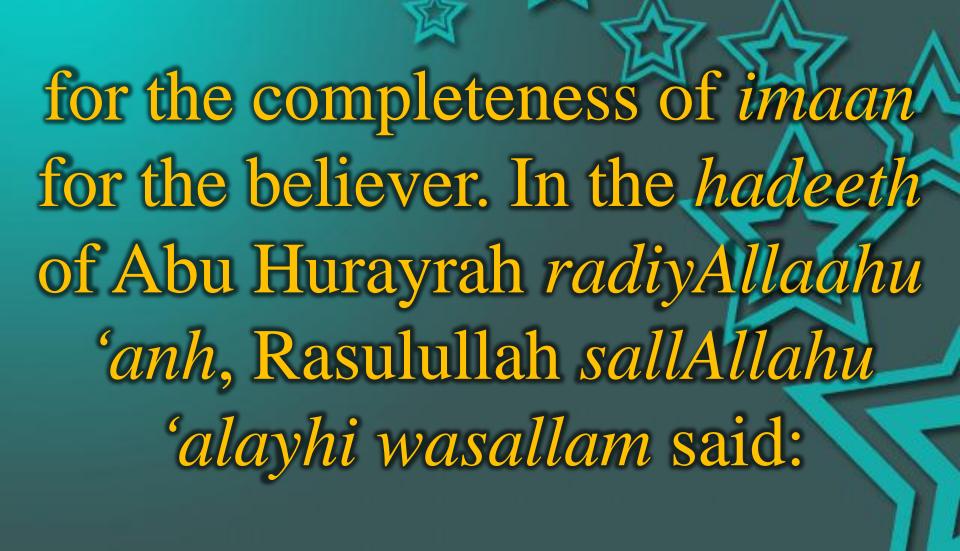
## Let us become among His slaves that truly fulfill all of His Commands and abstaining from all of His prohibitions. Indeed, we truly hope to become among those that will attain



# Mutual respect is from among/ the praiseworthy traits in Islam. It must be inculcated within the Muslim that proclaims having imaan unto Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala. Mutual respect is

from the characteristics for the one having upright akhlaaq. Among the examples of having mutual respect is good treatment and hospitality, mutual cooperation, honoring and

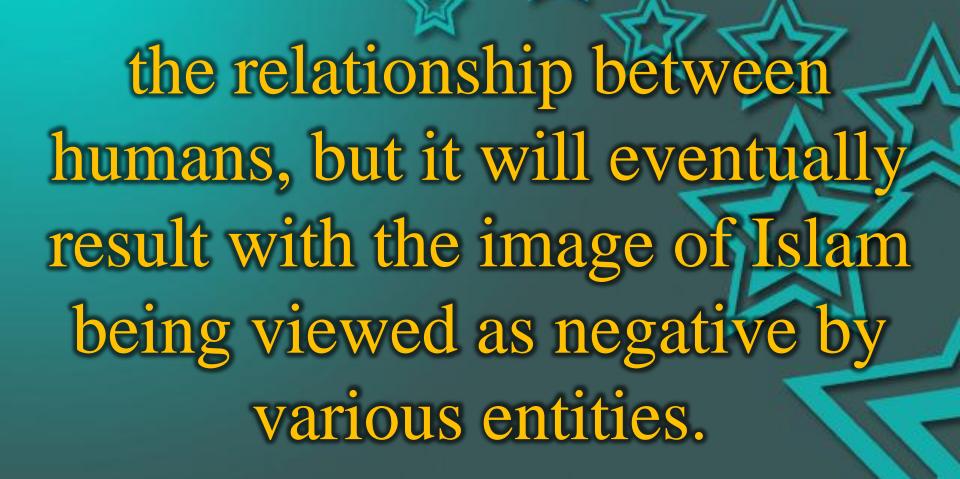
appreciative of others. Furthermore, in our daily interactions, we are to display utmost akhlaaq such as respectful in our verbal and physical interactions. Moreover, it is a condition



"The believer with the most complete faith is the one with the best character. And the best of you is the one who is best to his wives."

(at-Tirmidhi: saheeh)

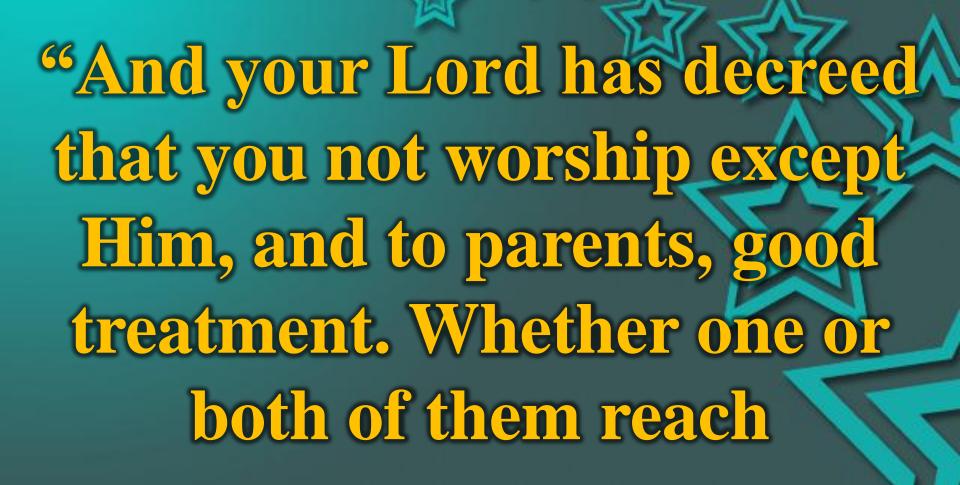
Lately, mutual respect toward others has slowly begun to dissipate from the mannerism of the Muslim ummah. When mutual respect is no longer there, not only it causes strife in

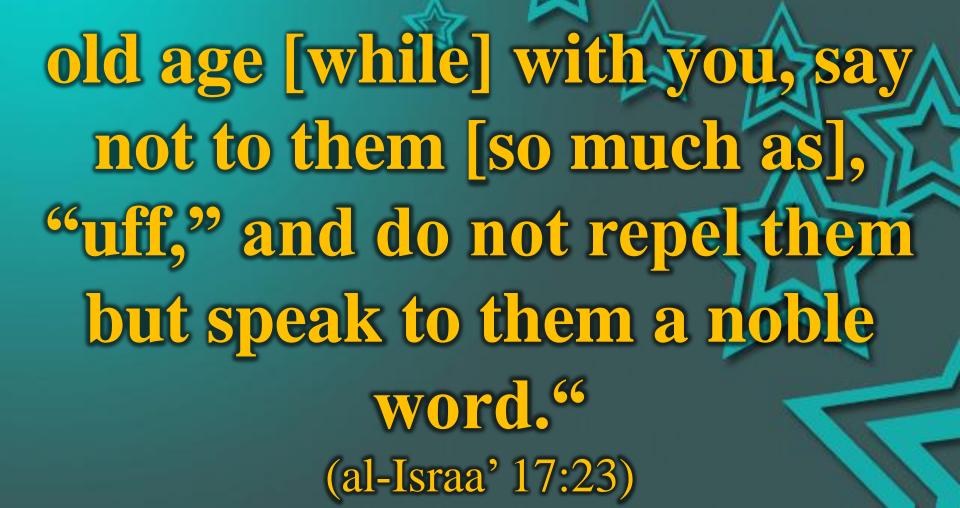


Islam, a religion that was revealed by Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala to His Messenger Muhammad sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam, has taught us several matters that must be practiced with

# regard to mutual respect. Those that we must have respect for are:

1. Respecting the parents
Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala
mentions in al-Quran:



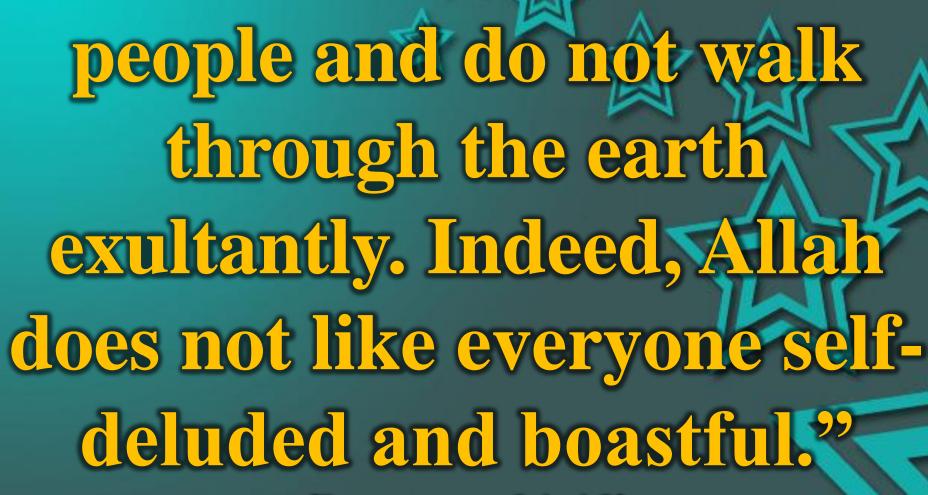


This verse clearly shows that the person that is most deserving to be treated with respect in the lives of every human being, are the parents. Moreover, it is a major sin to disrespect



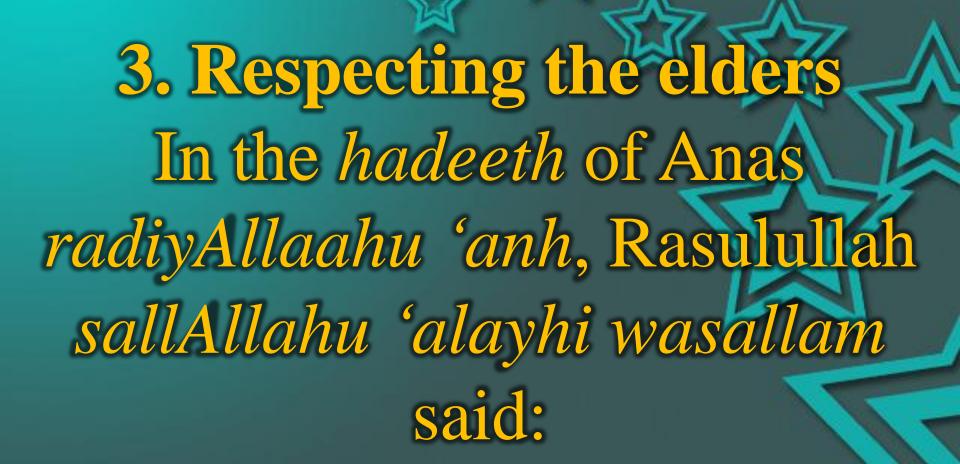


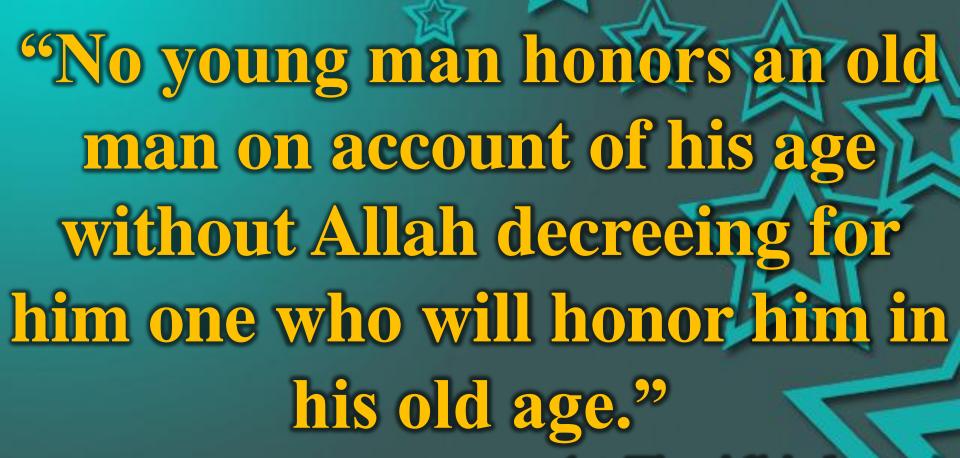
## 2. Respecting fellow human beings Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala' mentions in al-Quran: "And do not turn your cheek [in contempt] toward



(Luqmaan 31:18)

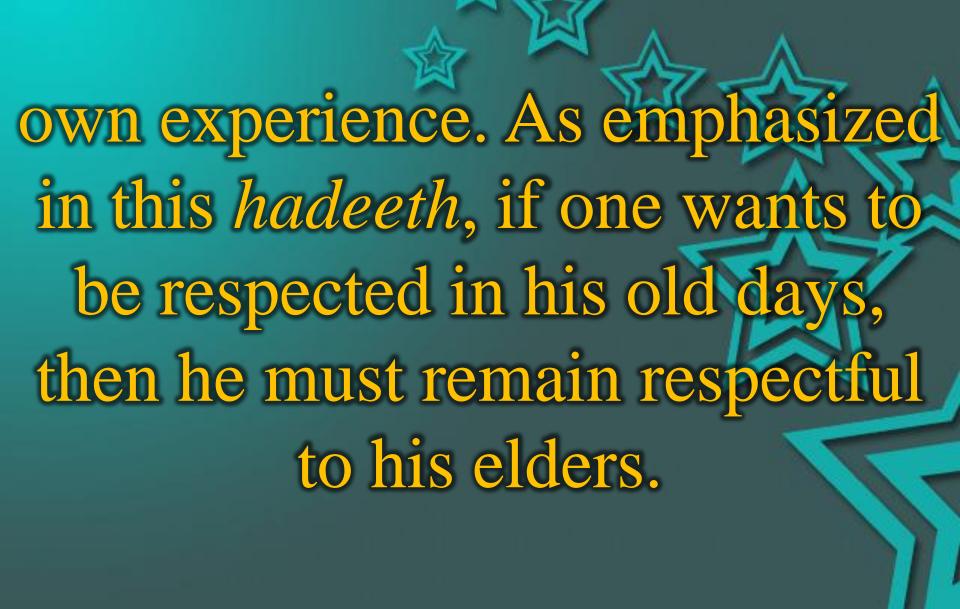
Arrogance is a reprehensible act. Being proud or arrogant to others will cause one to reject the truth and even degrade others. Not only that, but when one is puffed up with arrogance, then there will occur oppression and pompousness. Hence, Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala forbade' us from abandoning mutual respect due to its great adverse effect to mankind.





(at-Tirmidhi: hasan)

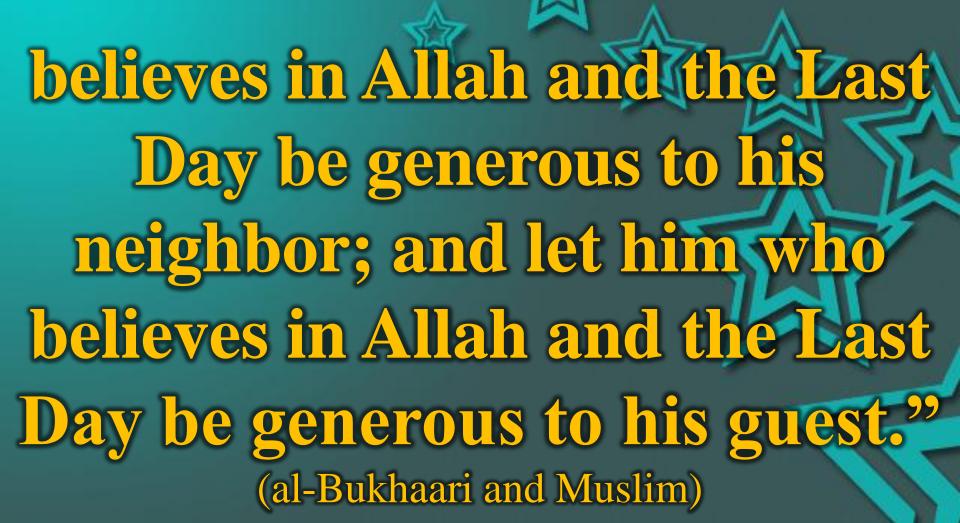
This hadeeth illustrates to us how we are to respect those that are older than us. The youth should always listen to the advice and guidance from those older than them, for it will be based on their



#### 4. Respecting the neighbors The significance of respecting the neighbors has been well mentioned by Rasulullah sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam in the hadeeth of



Let him who believes in Allah and the Last Day speak good, or keep silent; and let him who

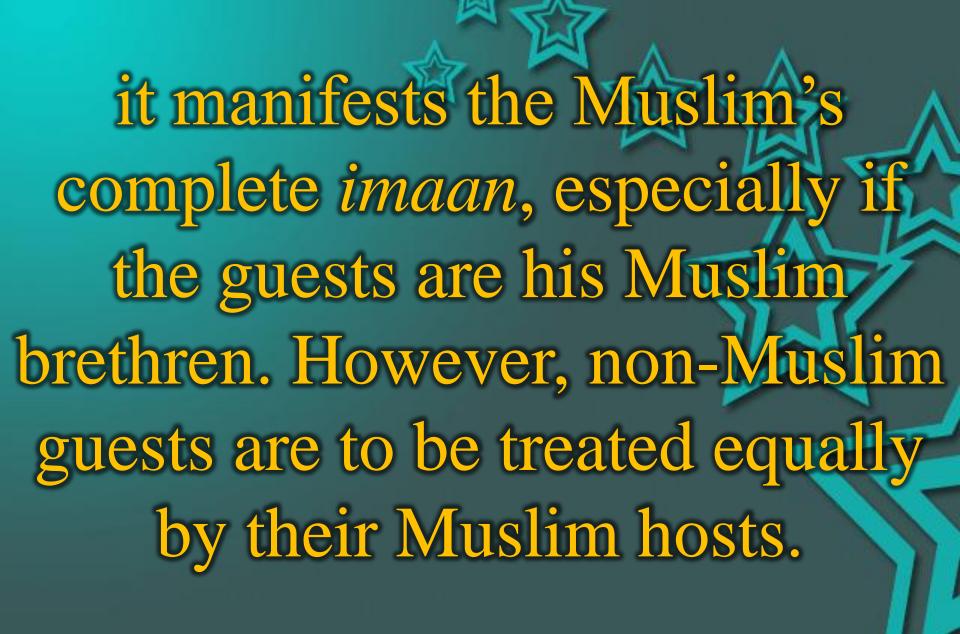


As a manifestation of one's belief is that he is respectful of the neighbors around him. With this mutual respect, every community members will live in harmony and peace. A society

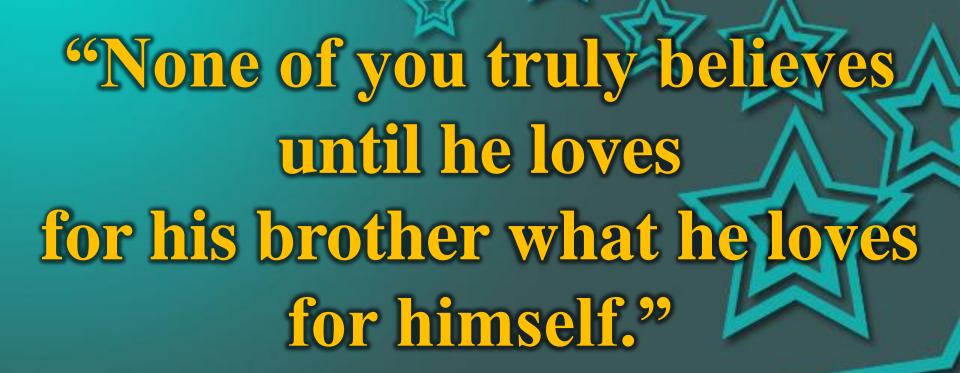
lives in harmony will become capable in fulfilling its responsibilities in developing the society, hence bringing delight in community living amongst themselves.

5. Respecting the guests The guests are an amaanah from Allah whose rights must be fulfilled. The host is shouldered with the responsibility to ensure the well being of his guests for

as long as they are at his house. In addition, it is waajib to provide to the guests a portion from his provision. By fully respecting the guests and fulfilling their rights,







(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)

Respecting and honoring the guests are the sunnah of the Messengers. Nabi Ibraaheem "alayhissalam is from the Messengers that truly honored his guests. He received them with open

hearts and open arms, and treated them really well. Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala mentioned this aspect of Nabi Ibraaheem 'alayhissalam in the verses (24-27) of Soorah

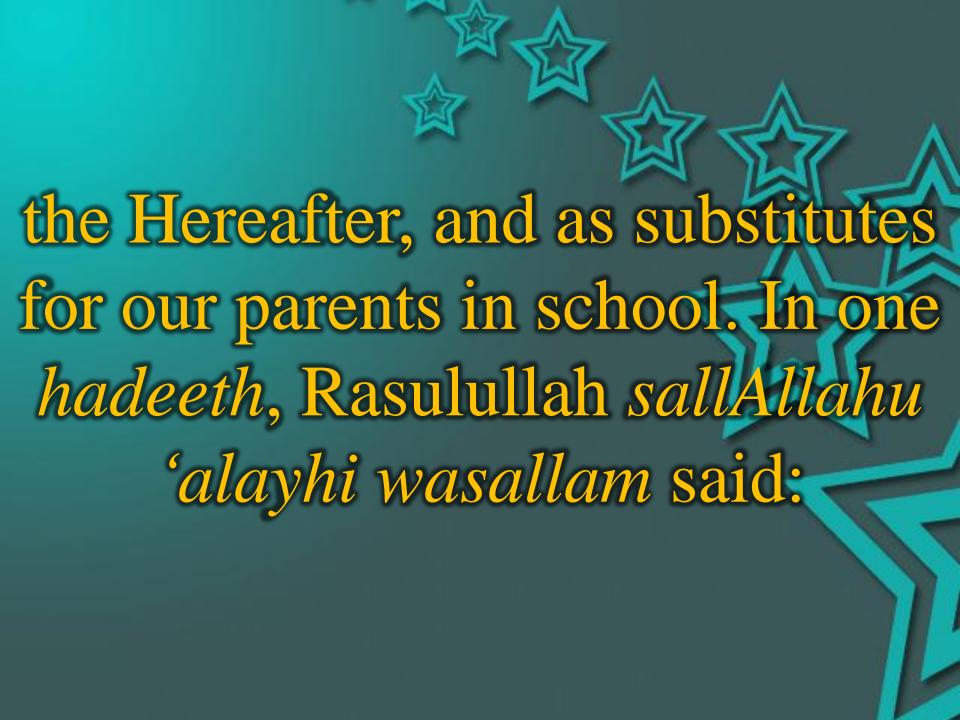
adh-Dhaariyaat: "Has there reached you the story of the honored guests of Abraham? When they entered upon him and said, "We greet you with] peace." He answered,

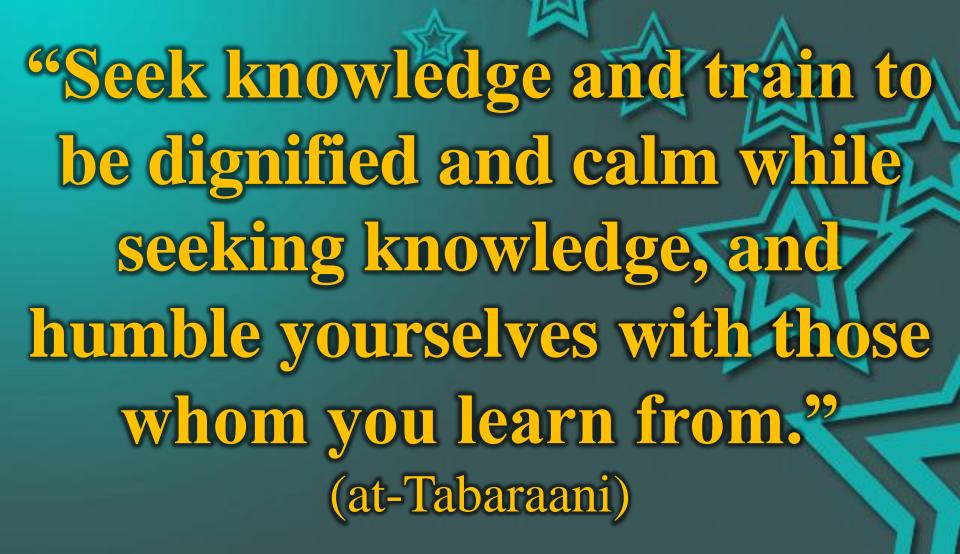
"[And upon you] peace, you are] a people unknown." he went to his family and came with a fat [roasted] calf. And placed it near them; he said, "Will you not eat?"

## In reality, honoring and the good treatment of the guests not only manifests the true character of the doer, adorned with admirable traits, but also closely intertwined with one's level

## of imaan. 6. Respecting the teacher Our teachers are ones that had taught us various branches of knowledge and had educated us in becoming beneficial individuals in the

Therefore, Islam has taught us to respect our teachers and honor them as we honor our parents, for they are ones that had conveyed knowledge unto us for the blissfulness in this world and





## 7. Respecting the leaders Leaders are individuals having the proficiency and mastery of a particular field, whom have been granted the trust by their followers in achieving certain targets and

objectives. Leaders are those whom are most trusted by their followers in executing their tasks with full dedication and capable in influencing others to enjoin upon matters that have been

agreed upon. As Muslims, we must be well aware of the importance of respecting our leaders. Leaders can definitely err and commit mistakes for they are human like us.

However, there are those that deem leaders as being error-free or infallible. This is very inaccurate as leaders are not free from committing errors. This assumption or fallacy must be corrected because

leaders are not divine, granting whatever we wish for. There is misconception within such notion, and we do not insinuate that leaders would have never made any mistakes.

Instead, we should remain positive rather than being negative upon leaders whom we have chosen.

The proper methodology is for us to correct their mistakes by giving them

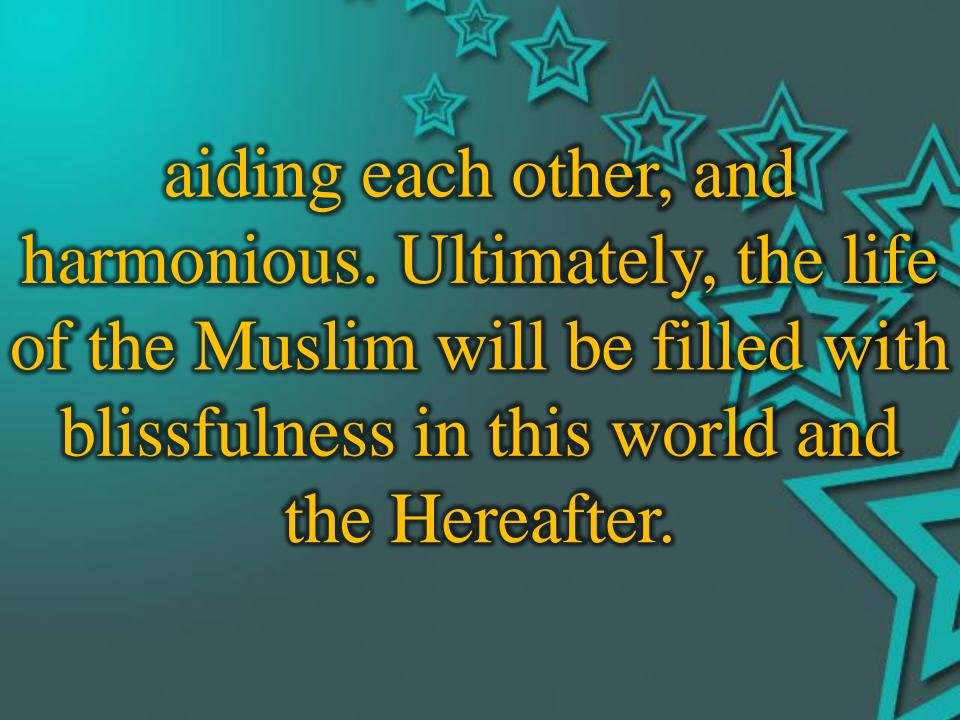
advice for ad-deen is naseehah (sincere advice). The advice given is to Allah, to al-Qur'an, to Rasulullah sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam, to the leaders, and to mankind in general.

Naseehah is such that we want good for the one given advice to. This also includes leaders from among the Muslims. We must always remember that our very intent is to convey good.

A good admonition is an advice conveyed with a low and soft voice so that the leader that is being advised will not feel offended. Indeed, we admonish and counsel our leaders in

preventing them from committing errors. Islam is a religion that greatly emphasize on mutual respect towards everyone. Islam did not command for us to honor and respect the Muslims

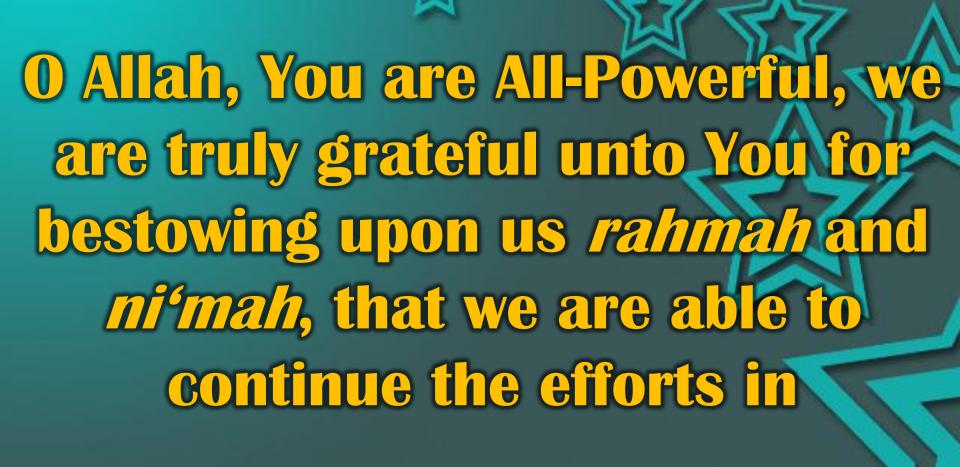
only, but instead it applies to everyone. This is because not only great rewards will be granted by Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala, furthermore our lives will become complete, perfect,



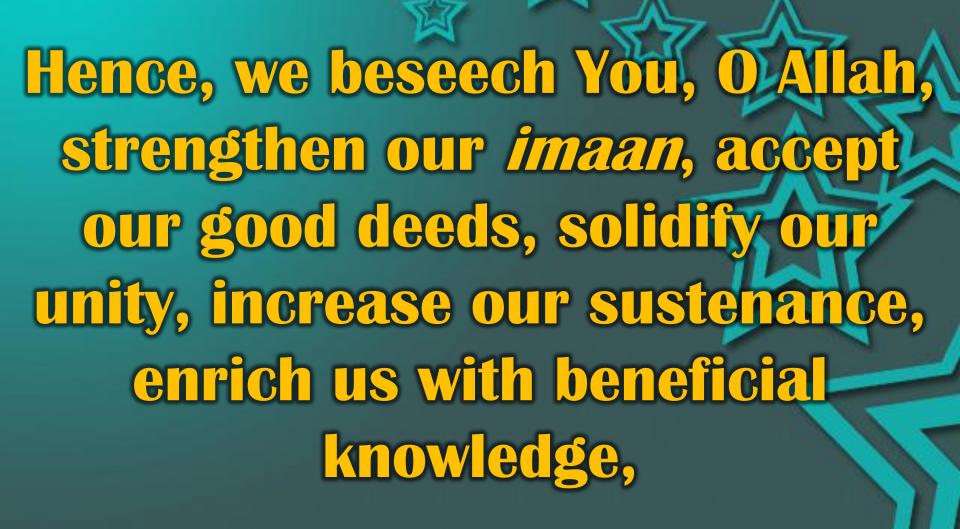
"And when you are greeted with a greeting, greet [in return] with one better than it or [at least] return it [in a like manner]. Indeed, Allah is ever, over all things, an Accountant."

(an-Nisaa' 4:86)

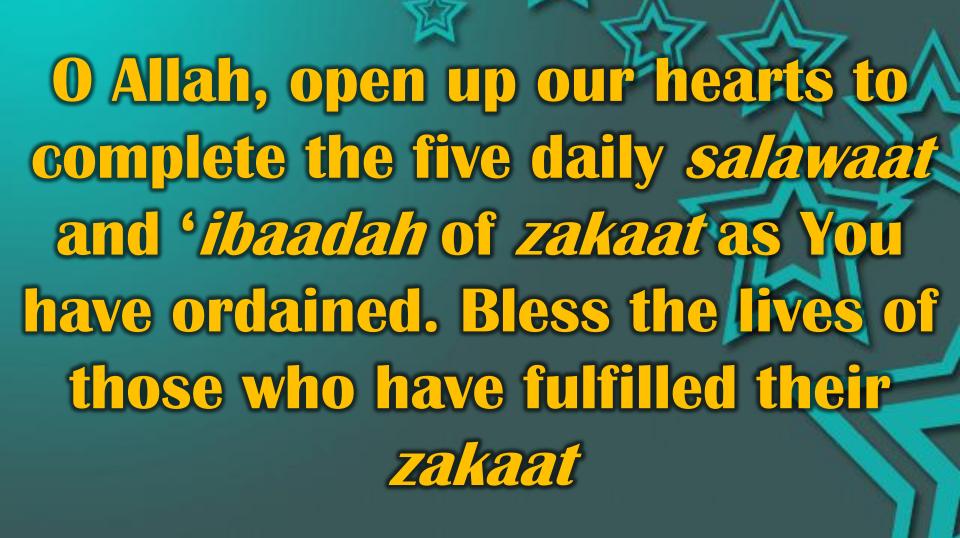
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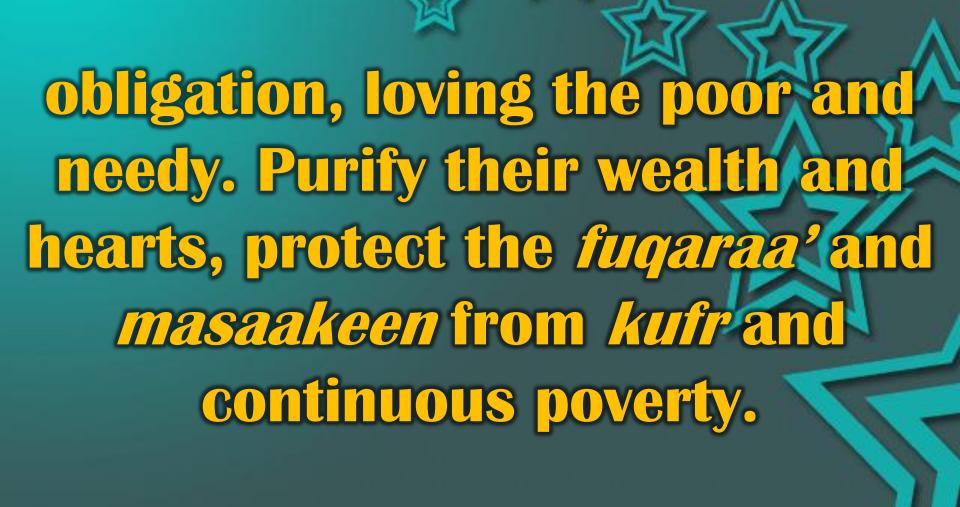


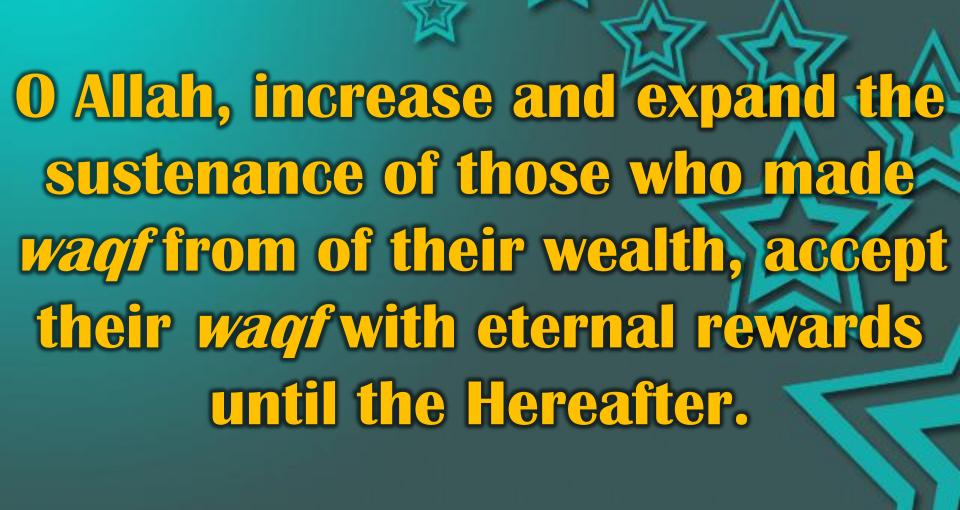




fill our hearts with noble characters, guide us to the path that is pleasing to You, protect us from all types of calamities and Your severe tribulations so that our state will continue to prosper and remain blessed.









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