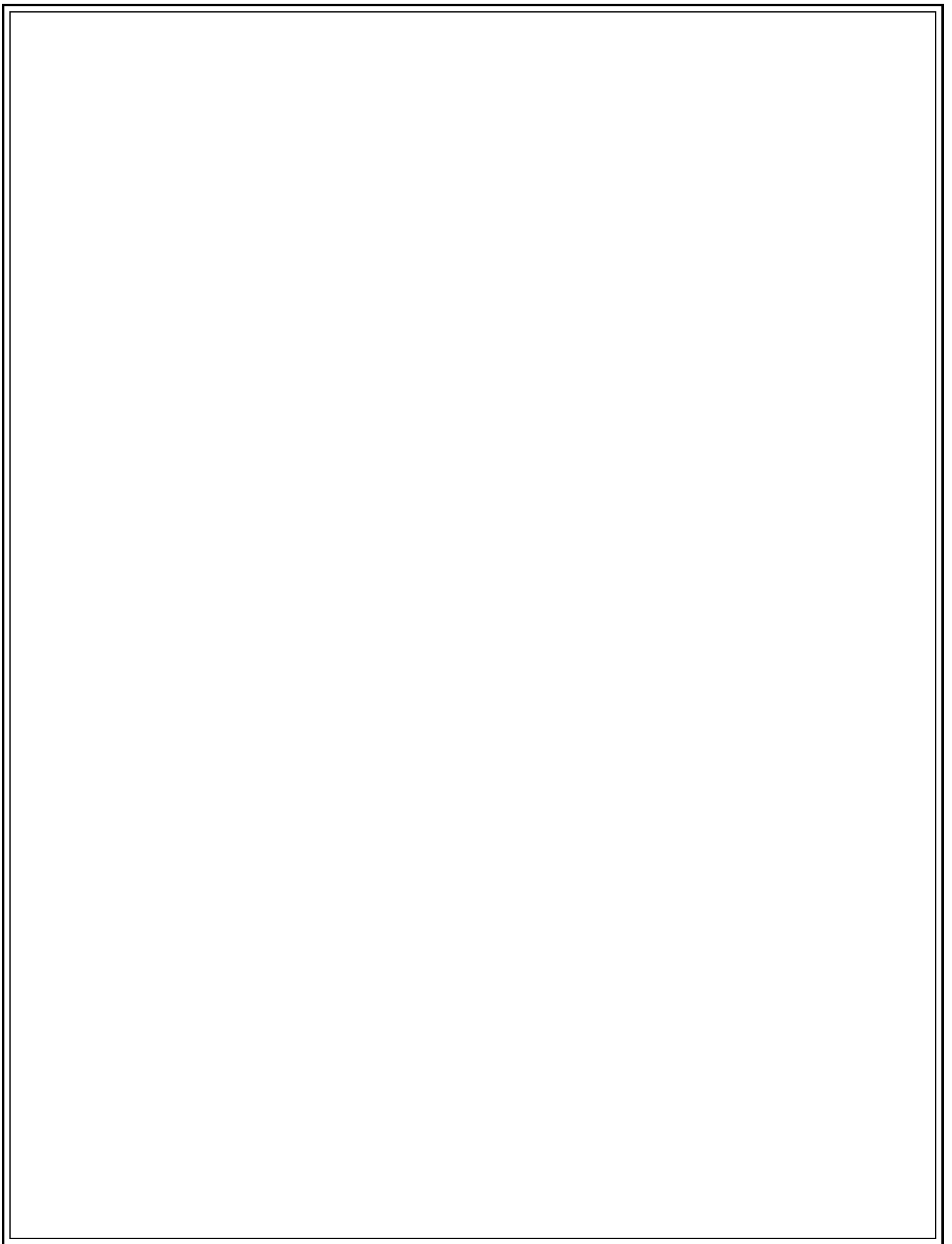


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In the Name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Merciful

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

*O Allah send salutations upon
Muhammad and his progeny*

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Introduction

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the Name of Allah the Beneficent the Merciful

Praise be to Allah ﷻ the Lord of the Worlds and may Allah ﷻ bless Muhammad ﷺ and his purified progeny. All praise is for Allah ﷻ, who is one, unique and single. He is needless, all-powerful, all-knowing and wise. He is most high and most exalted. He is glorious and honored, and perfect. Nothing is like Him. And He is all-hearing and all-seeing. The eyes are unable to perceive Him and He perceives everything. And He is Kind and all aware.

We at Muslim Congress recognized the need for a standardized curriculum for weekend schools imparting Islamic teachings. This initiative came about as part of workshops at the annual Muslim Congress conference where the need for such a syllabus was articulated by several educators. Such a curriculum has to cater to the age groups ranging from around five years to the late teens.

Attempts have been made in the past to create syllabus in varied subjects such as Islamic etiquette (*akhlaq*), jurisprudence (*fiqh*), history (*tareekh*) and Quranic studies. Material, in a variety of forms, exists in the form of online resources and text books today.

We have, however, taken an approach where we tackle concepts such as foundational concepts (*Usool al Deen*), religious practices (*Furoo' al-Deen*), teachings of the Prophets and Imams ﷺ and the verses of the holy Quran into an integrated set of lessons. In such an approach the concepts are reinforced through verses from the holy Quran, ahadith from the *masumeen* ﷺ and events from the Islamic history in a coherent way.

This curriculum is also designed in what is referred to as *spiral curriculum*. In this model, students repeat the study of a subject at different grade levels, each time at a higher level of difficulty and in greater depth. The first edition comprises grades one through five and subsequent grades will be made available in the near future.

We also plan to supplement these text books with activities and resources that will help teachers make the classroom more dynamic and the subject livelier.

The syllabus is organized in the form of lessons where each lesson can be taught in a single session or extended to multiple sessions. We have also used a color coding scheme where the verses of the holy Quran are coded in **green**, duas are coded in **blue** and adadith in **red**. This helps the teacher reinforce that the students must be in the state of wudhu before touching the verses of holy Quran.

The accuracy of the content has been verified by ulama and all effort is made to ensure the material is factually correct.

We would like to thank many individuals for contributing to this project and for their tireless efforts. Special thanks to the Ulama who have reviewed the material and provided guidance in this project.

Supplemental material to the text books is available on the Muslim Congress website:

<http://www.muslimcongress.org/contentmc/services/syllabus.aspx>

Please send all inquiries suggestions to syllabus@muslimcongress.org

The Muslim Congress Curriculum Team

Unit One: Allah ﷻ, The Almighty is our Creator

اللَّهُ خَلِقُ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَهُوَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَكِيلٌ

Allah is creator of all things, and He is the guardian over all things.

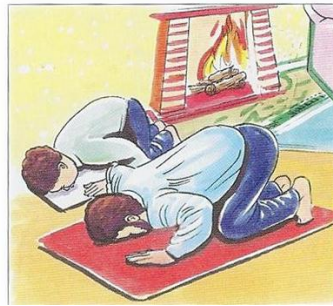
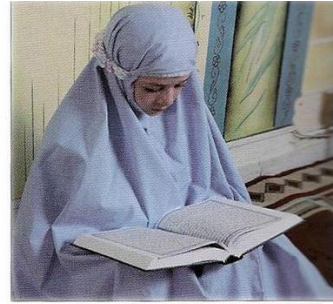
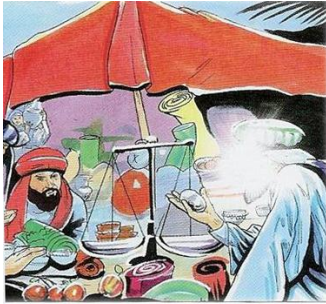
(Zumar, 39:62)

Overview

Hymn: O, My Lord

Lessons

1. I repent to my Lord
2. I know my Prophets ﷺ
3. Prophet Shuayb ﷺ
4. Verses from Surat Luqman
5. Religious and social order



O my Lord!

O my Lord guide us!
To the path of safety
O my Lord save us!
On the Day of Judgment

O my Lord! O my Lord!

O my Lord there is no more
Protection in the world
We are surrounded by ignorance
Which is blocking your blessings

The self is a prisoner to sins
Its secret is bad intentions

But despite all this disbelief (in You)
You are all Beneficent
You give blessings after blessings
Blessings after blessings

O my Lord! O my Lord!

O my Lord we searched
Every corner
And this world
We came to know
Is definitely very low

We have come to you in repentance
And became true believers

Faith spreads out
Through every corner of understanding
Answer our call and forgive
Us our sins

O my Lord! O my Lord!

1.1. I Repent to My Lord

وَتُوبُوا إِلَى اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا أَيُّهَ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُفْلِحُونَ ﴿٣١﴾

And turn to Allah together, O faithful, so that you may be successful.

(Noor, 24:31)

Some of Our Goals

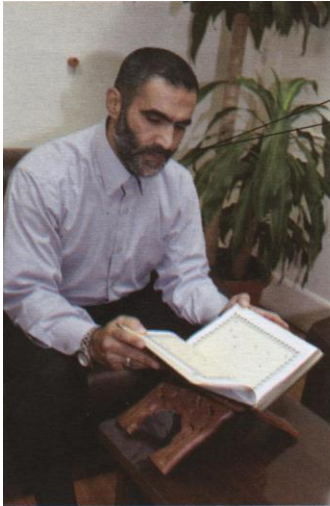
The meaning of repentance

How to repent

To have faith in Allah's ﷻ forgiveness and Mercy

When we commit a sin, always repeat:

In this Lesson We Learn



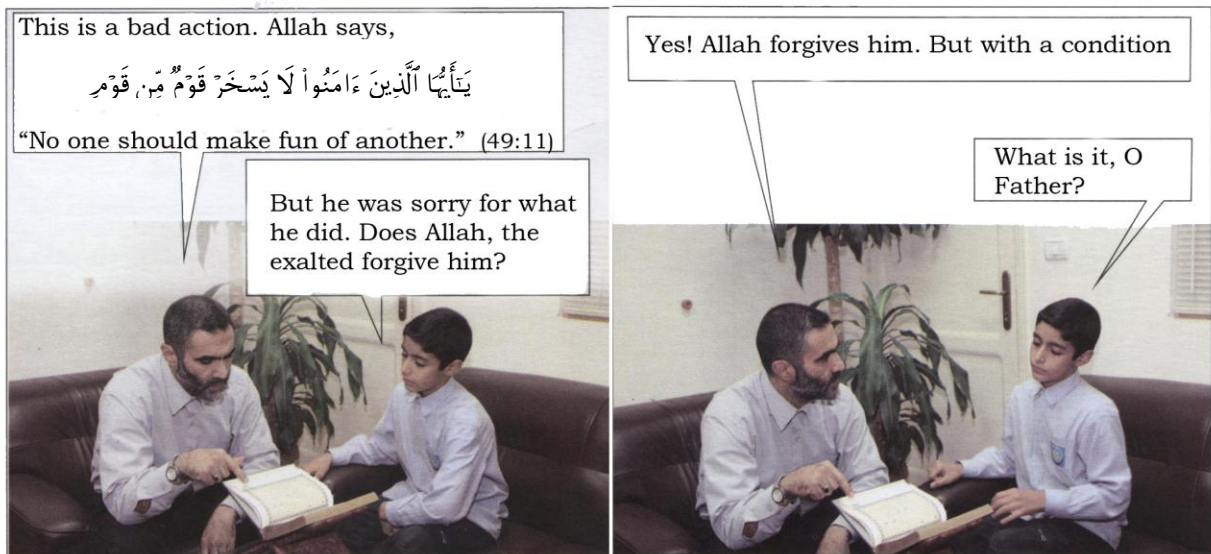
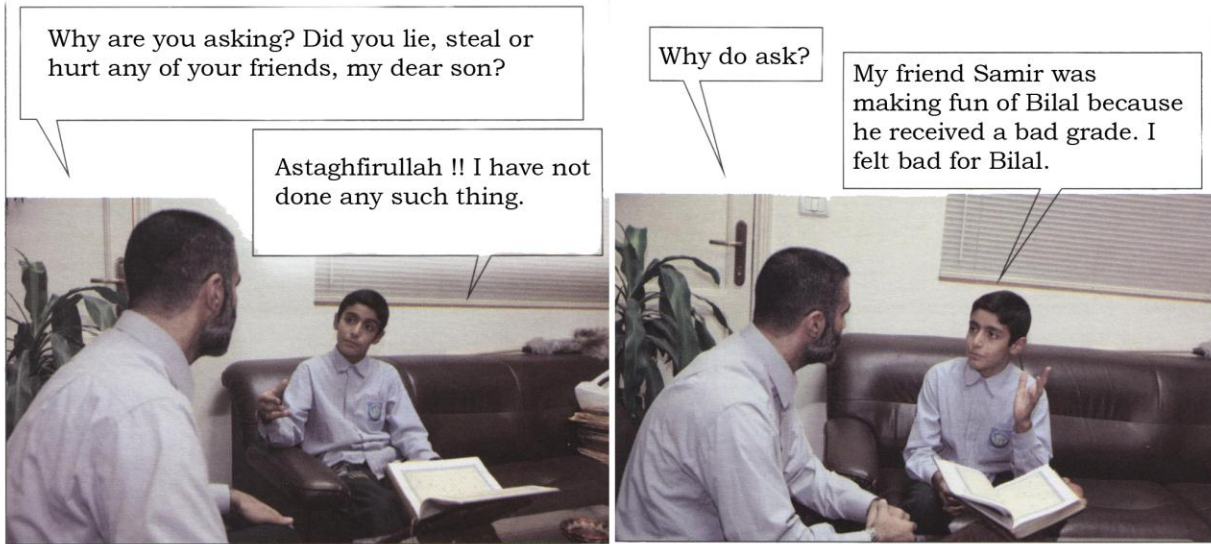
يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا
تُوبُوا إِلَى اللَّهِ تَوْبَةً
نَّصُوحًا عَسَىٰ رَبُّكُمْ أَن
يُكَفِّرَ عَنْكُمْ سَيِّئَاتِكُمْ
وَيُدْخِلَكُم جَنَّاتٍ
تَجْرِي مِن تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ

O you who believe! Turn to Allah in sincere repentance; maybe your Lord will remove from you your evil and cause you to enter gardens beneath which rivers flow (Tahreem 66:8)

As salaam alekum dear father.

Does Allah forgive a person who lies, sins, curses or hurts others?





I Read to Know

In The Holy Quran, the following verse says:

هُوَ الَّذِي أَرْسَلَ رَسُولَهُ بِالْهُدَىٰ وَدِينِ الْحَقِّ لِيُظْهِرَهُ عَلَىٰ الدِّينِ كُلِّهِ
وَلَوْ كَرِهَ الْمُشْرِكُونَ ﴿٣٣﴾

It is He who has sent His Apostle with the guidance and the religion of truth, that He may make it prevail over all religions, though the polytheists may not like it

(Tawba, 9:33)

Allah ﷻ, The Almighty, sent the messengers ﷺ to the people to show them the path of truth and goodness, to teach them the Halal (permissible), so they are encouraged to do it; and explain to them what is Haram (forbidden), so as to stay away from it.

The Prophets have commanded us:

- To worship Allah ﷻ, the Almighty, to pray, fast the holy month of Ramadhan, encourage good behavior, and discourage evil actions, and to strive with our money, time and effort in the way of Allah ﷻ.
- To be honest and have a good character. To work with others with cooperation, justice, love, and respect.
- To respect the rules and to protect the environment.

They forbade us:

- From lying, betraying others, creating division, backbiting, cheating and other actions that are considered haram, forbidden, by Allah ﷻ because they are harmful for us.

Allah ﷻ Accepts Our Repentance

A Muslim is a believer who follows the teachings of Allah ﷻ and stays away from the actions that are forbidden.

No one is perfect, he may forget and disobey some of Allah's ﷻ commands and teachings like praying, fasting, or commit a sin, may God forbid.

In this case what should he do?

Allah ﷻ, the Almighty, is Beneficent and Merciful, He loves His worshippers. He opens the door of His compassion for them and then He calls them to repent.

وَتُوبُوا إِلَى اللَّهِ جَمِيعًا أَيُّهَ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُفْلِحُونَ ﴿٣١﴾

And turn to Allah together, O faithful, so that you may be successful

(Noor, 24:31)

No matter how many mistakes or sins a person commits, he can still go back to Allah ﷻ by asking for forgiveness. He finds love, compassion, and forgiveness, because Allah ﷻ calls His worshippers and urges them to repent:

قُلْ يَاعِبَادِيَ الَّذِينَ أَسْرَفُوا عَلَىٰ أَنفُسِهِمْ لَا تَقْنَطُوا مِن رَّحْمَةِ اللَّهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَغْفِرُ

الذُّنُوبَ جَمِيعًا إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ ﴿٥٣﴾

Say 'O My servants who have committed excesses against their own souls, do not despair of the mercy of Allah. Indeed Allah will forgive all sins. Indeed He is the All-forgiving, the All-merciful.

(Zumar, 39:53)

And Allah ﷻ the Almighty loves those who go back to Him in repentance:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ التَّوَّابِينَ وَيُحِبُّ الْمُتَطَهِّرِينَ ﴿٢٢٢﴾

Indeed Allah loves those who repent and He loves those who keep clean.

(Baqara, 2:222)

How Does a Muslim Repent?

Is it enough that a Muslim says:

I seek forgiveness of Allah ﷻ and unto Him I repent

أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ رَبِّي وَ أَتُوبُ إِلَيْهِ

Just to say these words is not sufficient. It is necessary to follow by actions - to make sure that one has the sincere intention to repent.

Allah ﷻ, the Almighty, says:

وَإِنِّي لَغَفَّارٌ لِّمَن تَابَ وَءَامَنَ وَعَمِلَ صَالِحًا ثُمَّ اهْتَدَىٰ

Indeed I am most forgiving toward him who repents, becomes faithful and acts righteously, and then follows guidance.' (Ta ha, 20:82)

Etiquettes - Repentance

- The feeling of regret, guilty and sorry for the sin we have committed.
- We should sincerely decide not to repeat the.
- Making up the lost prayers, fasts, and to return all what we owe others.
- Ask then and everyone we have hurt or harmed to forgive.
- To perform good deeds to make up for the bad deeds that we have done.

إِنَّ الْحَسَنَاتِ يُذْهِبْنَ السَّيِّئَاتِ

Indeed good deeds efface misdeeds (Hud, 11:114)

Effects of True Repentance

Purification of our soul: The holy Prophet ﷺ says: “He who repents from a sin is like one who has not committed a sin”.

Repentance purifies our soul as water purifies our clothes from dirt.

Repentance increases our life, income and our blessings.

By repentance we receive Allah’s ﷻ love and favors.

I Discuss What I Learned

What is the duty of the Prophet ﷺ?

What do we do when we commit a sin? How does Allah ﷻ treat them? And what does He say in His Holy Book?

What are the steps of repentance?

What are the effects of repentance in our life?

A Dua to Memorize

My son! Make it a habit to repeat this recital a lot

رَبِّ اِنِّي عَمِلْتُ سُوءًا وَظَلَمْتُ نَفْسِي
فَاغْفِرْ لِي ذُنُوبِي اِنَّهُ لَا يَغْفِرُ الذُّنُوبَ اِلَّا اَنْتَ

I ask Allah ﷻ, the compassionate God, to make me from among the believers and those who repent.



I Say and Act

Allah ﷻ, the Almighty, is forgiving and Beneficent. He invites us to repent. He, in the holy Quran says:

وَهُوَ الَّذِي يَقْبَلُ التَّوْبَةَ عَنْ عِبَادِهِ وَيَعْفُو عَنِ السَّيِّئَاتِ وَيَعْلَمُ مَا تَفْعَلُونَ

It is He who accepts the repentance of His servants, and excuses their misdeeds and knows what you do.
(Shura, 42:25)

Repentance means to give up the sins you commit. If a person commits a sin, regrets and decides not to commit it again, Allah ﷻ forgives and rewards with Paradise.

The Almighty Allah ﷻ says:

وَإِنِّي لَغَفَّارٌ لِّمَن تَابَ وَءَامَنَ وَعَمِلَ صَالِحًا ثُمَّ اهْتَدَىٰ

Indeed I am most forgiving toward him who repents, becomes faithful and acts righteously, and then follows guidance.' (Ta ha, 20:82)

Some of the steps towards sincere repentance:

- The feeling of regret, guilty and sorry for the sin we have committed.
- We should sincerely decide not to repeat the.
- Making up the lost prayers, fasts, and to return all what we owe others.
- Ask then and everyone we have hurt or harmed to forgive.
- To perform good deeds to make up for the bad deeds that we have done.

I Am a Muslim: I love Allah ﷻ, the Almighty, and obey Him, when I commit a sin, I ask His forgiveness and repent.

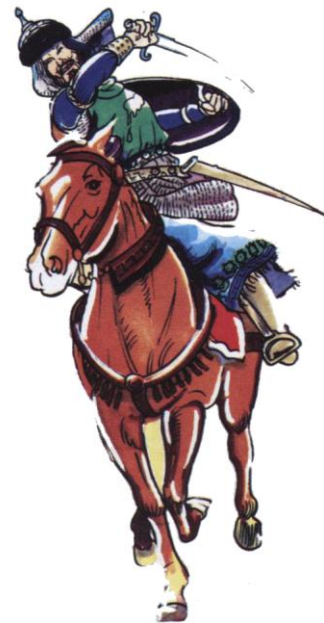
Hurr

Hurr was one of the Arab noblemen. Ubaydallah son of Ziyad sent him with a thousand soldiers, to stop Imam Husain عليه السلام from entering Kufa. Hurr kept the Imam away from Kufa, until the Imam settled in Karbala, with Hurr hoping that a peace agreement may take place.

On the tenth of the month of Muharram, Hurr realized that the army of Ibn Ziyad was determined to fight Imam Husain عليه السلام. At that moment Hurr was very worried and shaking, and began to think about what he should do.

When one of his soldiers saw him in this state, he asked him: “What has happened to you? Don’t you want to fight Imam Husain عليه السلام?”

Hurr kept quiet. Then his soldier continued: “If I was asked who is the bravest among the people of Kufa, without hesitation I could have said it was you, what has happened to you?”



Hurr answered: “By God, will never choose anything over the Paradise.”

He mounted his horse and went towards the camp of Imam Husain’s عليه السلام. He stood before the Imam with guilt and regret, and he then said: “O Allah! To you I surrender myself, forgive me, I have hurt the hearts of your representatives, and the children of your Prophet’s daughter...”

He then turned to Imam Husain عليه السلام and said: “May I be sacrificed unto you O son of the messenger of Allah. I have repented and will not rest until I get killed. Would you forgive me?”

Imam Husain عليه السلام answered: “Yes, Allah, the Almighty will forgive you”.

Then Hurr went towards the army of Yazeed. He fought with great and unusual bravery, until he was martyred. At this moment, Imam Husain عليه السلام went to the spot where Hurr had fallen. He cleaned the blood from his face, saying: “You are free as your mother named you; free in this world and in the hereafter”.

I Always Repeat With the Messenger of Allah ﷺ

رَبِّ اغْفِرْ وَارْحَمْ وَتَجَاوَزْ عَمَّا تَعْلَمُ إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْعَلِيُّ الْأَعْظَمُ

My Lord, forgive and have mercy and disregard what you know. Surely! You are the Exalted, the Great”.

Hymn

The Messenger of Allah is Our Guide

The messenger of Allah is our guide
His calling is our message
The source of our happiness is him
We are required to love him

The Messenger of Allah is our guide
His qualities have been perfected
The Lord of the Throne taught him

All the Messengers with him are pleased
Our Imam (leader) in behavior he is

The Messenger of Allah is our guide