

40 hadith on Good Character

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful



What will save us from the hellfire

Abdullah ibn Amr R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

مَنْ أَحَبَّ أَنْ يُرْحَزَ عَنِ النَّارِ وَيَدْخُلَ الْجَنَّةَ فَلْتُدْرِكْهُ مَنِيَّتُهُ وَهُوَ يُؤْمِنُ بِاللَّهِ
وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ وَيَأْتِي إِلَى النَّاسِ مَا يُحِبُّ أَنْ يُؤْتَى إِلَيْهِ

Whoever would love to be delivered from Hellfire and admitted into Paradise, let him meet his end with faith in Allah and the Last Day, and let him treat people as he would love to be treated.

Source: Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 1844, Grade: Sahih

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If you wish to be a believer

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

كُنْ وَرِعًا تَكُنْ أَعْبَدَ النَّاسِ وَكُنْ قَنِعًا تَكُنْ أَشْكَرَ النَّاسِ وَأَحَبَّ
لِلنَّاسِ مَا تُحِبُّ لِنَفْسِكَ تَكُنْ مُؤْمِنًا وَأَحْسِنُ جِوَارَ مَنْ جَاوَرَكَ
تَكُنْ مُسْلِمًا وَأَقَلَّ الضَّحِكِ فَإِنَّ كَثْرَةَ الضَّحِكِ تُمِيتُ الْقَلْبَ

Be devout and you will be the most pious of people. Be content and you will be the most grateful of people. Love for people what you love for yourself and you will be a believer. Behave well with your neighbors and you will be a Muslim. Laugh less, for too much laughter will deaden the heart.

Sunan Ibn Mājah 4217, Source: Sahih

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The most complete believer

Aisha R.A. reported, the Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِنَّ مِنْ أَكْمَلِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ إِيْمَانًا أَحْسَنَهُمْ خُلُقًا وَالْأَطْفُهُمْ بِأَهْلِهِ

Verily, the most complete of believers in faith are those with the best character and who are most kind to their families.

Sunan al-Tirmidhī 2612, Grade: Sahih

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If you want mercy from The One in heavens

Abdullah ibn Amr R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

الرَّاحِمُونَ يَرْحَمُهُمُ الرَّحْمَنُ ارْحَمُوا مَنْ فِي الْأَرْضِ يَرْحَمَكُم مَّن فِي السَّمَاءِ

The merciful will be shown mercy by the Most Merciful. Be merciful to those on the earth and the One in the heavens will have mercy upon you.

Sunan al-Tirmidhī 1924, Grade: Sahih

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We are the people of mercy

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: It was said, “O Messenger of Allah ﷺ, pray against the idolaters!” The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said:

إِنِّي لَمْ أُبْعَثْ لَعَنًا وَإِنَّمَا بُعِثْتُ رَحْمَةً

Verily, I was not sent to invoke curses, but rather I was only sent as mercy.

Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 2599, Grade: Ṣaḥīḥ

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What a believer must not do

Ibn Mas'ud R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

لَيْسَ الْمُؤْمِنُ بِالطَّعَانِ وَلَا اللَّعَانِ وَلَا الْفَاحِشِ وَلَا الْبَدِيِّ

The believer does not insult others, does not curse others, is not vulgar, and is not shameless.

Sunan al-Tirmidhi 1977, Grade: Sahih

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Feed the hungry and spread salam

Abdullah ibn Amr R.A. reported: A man asked the Prophet ﷺ, "Which Islam is best?" The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

تُطْعِمُ الطَّعَامَ وَتُقْرِئُ السَّلَامَ عَلَى مَنْ عَرَفْتَ وَمَنْ لَمْ تَعْرِفْ

To feed the hungry and to greet with peace those you know and those you do not know.

'Ammar ibn Yasir R.A. said:

ثَلَاثٌ مَنْ جَمَعَهُنَّ فَقَدْ جَمَعَ الْإِيمَانَ الْإِنصَافُ مِنْ نَفْسِكَ وَبَدْلُ السَّلَامِ لِلْعَالَمِ
وَالْإِنْفَاقُ مِنَ الْإِقْتَارِ

Whoever has three qualities will have completed the faith: fairness from yourself to others, offering peace to the world, and spending in charity even while poor.

Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī 28, Grade: Muttafaquun Alayhi

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The blade that shaves the Iman

Al-Zubayr ibn 'Awwam R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

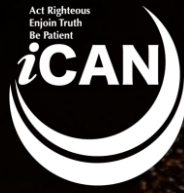
دَبَّ إِلَيْكُمْ دَاءُ الْأُمَمِ قَبْلَكُمْ الْحَسَدُ وَالْبَغْضَاءُ وَالْبَغْضَاءُ هِيَ الْحَالِقَةُ حَالِقَةُ
الدِّينِ لَا حَالِقَةَ الشَّعْرِ وَالَّذِي نَفْسُ مُحَمَّدٍ بِيَدِهِ لَا تُؤْمِنُوا حَتَّى تَحَابُّوا أَفَلَا
أُنَبِّئُكُمْ بِشَيْءٍ إِذَا فَعَلْتُمُوهُ تَحَابَبْتُمْ أَفْشُوا السَّلَامَ بَيْنَكُمْ

Lurking towards you are the diseases of the nations before you. Envy and hatred are the razor. I do not say it shaves hair, but rather it shaves the religion. By the one in whose hand is my soul, you will not enter Paradise until you have faith and you will not have faith until you love each other. Shall I tell you what can affirm that for you? Spread peace between yourselves.

Musnad Ahmad 1415, Grade: Sahih

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Dua for the enemies

Sahl ibn Sa'd R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِقَوْمِي فَإِنَّهُمْ لَا يَعْلَمُونَ

O Allah, forgive my people for they do not know.

Abu Hatim, may Allah be pleased with him, said:

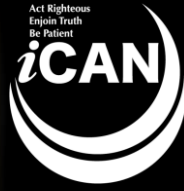
يَعْنِي هَذَا الدُّعَاءُ أَنَّهُ قَالَ يَوْمَ أُحُدٍ لَمَّا شُجَّ وَجْهُهُ

This supplication was said during the battle of Uhud when they slashed his ﷺ face.

Ṣaḥīḥ Ibn Ḥibbān 985, Grade: Ṣaḥīḥ

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The only criteria for superiority

Abu Nadrah R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said:

يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ أَلَا إِنَّ رَبَّكُمْ وَاحِدٌ وَإِنَّ أَبَاكُمْ وَاحِدٌ أَلَا لَا فَضْلَ لِعَرَبِيٍّ عَلَى أَعْجَمِيٍّ
وَلَا لِعَجَمِيٍّ عَلَى عَرَبِيٍّ وَلَا لِأَحْمَرَ عَلَى أَسْوَدَ وَلَا أَسْوَدَ عَلَى أَحْمَرَ إِلَّا بِالتَّقْوَى
أَبْلَغْتُ

O people, your Lord is one and your father Adam is one. There is no favor of an Arab over a foreigner, nor a foreigner over an Arab, and neither white skin over black skin, nor black skin over white skin, except by righteousness. Have I not delivered the message?

Musnad Ahmad 22978, Grade: Sahih

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Duty to be humble

'Iyad ibn Himar R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ أَوْحَى إِلَيَّ أَنْ تَوَاضَعُوا حَتَّى لَا يَبْغِيَ أَحَدٌ عَلَى أَحَدٍ وَلَا يَفُخَّرَ أَحَدٌ عَلَى أَحَدٍ

Verily, Allah has revealed to me that you must be humble towards one another, so that no one oppresses another or boasts to another.

Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 2865, Grade: Saḥīḥ

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A mustard seed's weight of arrogance

Ibn Mas'ud reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

لَا يَدْخُلُ الْجَنَّةَ مَنْ كَانَ فِي قَلْبِهِ مِثْقَالُ ذَرَّةٍ مِنْ كِبَرٍ

No one who has the weight of a seed of arrogance in his heart will enter Paradise.

Someone said, "But a man loves to have beautiful clothes and shoes." The Prophet ﷺ said:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ جَمِيلٌ يُحِبُّ الْجَمَالَ الْكِبَرُ بَطْرُ الْحَقِّ وَغَمَطُ النَّاسِ

Verily, Allah is beautiful and He loves beauty. Arrogance means rejecting the truth and looking down on people.

Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 91, Grade: Ṣaḥīḥ

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The just ones

Abdullah ibn Amr R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said:

إِنَّ الْمُقْسِطِينَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ عَلَى مَنَابِرٍ مِنْ نُورٍ عَنْ يَمِينِ الرَّحْمَنِ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ وَكَلَّمْنَا
يَدَيْهِ يَمِينُ الَّذِينَ يَعْدِلُونَ فِي حُكْمِهِمْ وَأَهْلِيهِمْ وَمَا وَلُوا

Verily, those who were just will be in the presence of Allah upon pulpits of light, near the right hand of the Merciful, the Exalted, and both of his sides are honorable. They are those who practiced justice in their judgments and with their families and in all that they did.

Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 4493, Grade: Ṣaḥīḥ

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The heart is what matters

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَنْظُرُ إِلَى صُورِكُمْ وَأَمْوَالِكُمْ وَلَكِنْ يَنْظُرُ إِلَى قُلُوبِكُمْ وَأَعْمَالِكُمْ

Verily, Allah does not look at your appearance or wealth, but rather he looks at your hearts and actions.

Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 2564, Grade: Ṣaḥīḥ

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Secure others from your evil

Anas ibn Malik R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

لَا يَسْتَقِيمُ إِيمَانُ عَبْدٍ حَتَّى يَسْتَقِيمَ قَلْبُهُ وَلَا يَسْتَقِيمَ قَلْبُهُ حَتَّى يَسْتَقِيمَ لِسَانُهُ
وَلَا يَدْخُلُ رَجُلٌ الْجَنَّةَ لَا يَأْمَنُ جَارُهُ بَوَائِقَهُ

The faith of a servant is not upright until his heart is upright, and his heart is not upright until his tongue is upright. A man will not enter Paradise if his neighbor is not secure from his evil.

Musnad Ahmad 12636, Grade: Hasan

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Allah swt loves kindness

Aisha R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ رَفِيقٌ يُحِبُّ الرَّفْقَ وَيُعْطِي عَلَى الرَّفْقِ مَا لَا يُعْطِي عَلَى الْعُنْفِ وَمَا لَا يُعْطِي عَلَى مَا سِوَاهُ

Verily, Allah is kind and he loves kindness. He rewards for kindness what is not granted for harshness and he does not reward anything else like it.

Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 2593, Grade: Ṣaḥīḥ

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Reconcile between the people

Abu Darda R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

أَلَا أُخْبِرُكُمْ بِأَفْضَلٍ مِنْ دَرَجَةِ الصِّيَامِ وَالصَّلَاةِ وَالصَّدَقَةِ

Shall I not tell you of what is better in degree than extra fasting, prayer, and charity?

They said, “Of course!” The Prophet said:

صَلَاحُ ذَاتِ الْبَيْنِ فَإِنَّ فَسَادَ ذَاتِ الْبَيْنِ هِيَ الْحَالِقَةُ

Reconciliation between people. Verily, corrupted relations between people is the razor.

Sunan al-Tirmidhi 2509, Grade: Sahih

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Half a date and a kind word

‘Adi ibn Hatim R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

اتَّقُوا النَّارَ وَلَوْ بِشِقِّ تَمْرَةٍ فَمَنْ لَمْ يَجِدْ فَبِكَلِمَةٍ طَيِّبَةٍ

Guard yourself from the Hellfire even with half of a date in charity. If he cannot find it, then with a kind word.

Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī 6195, Grade: Muttafaquun Alayhi

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Raise your status with your humility

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

مَا نَقَصْتُ صَدَقَةً مِنْ مَالٍ وَمَا زَادَ اللَّهُ عَبْدًا بِعَفْوٍ إِلَّا عِزًّا وَمَا تَوَاضَعُ أَحَدٌ لِلَّهِ إِلَّا رَفَعَهُ اللَّهُ

Charity does not decrease wealth, no one forgives another except that Allah increases his honor, and no one humbles himself for the sake of Allah except that Allah raises his status.

Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 2588, Grade: Ṣaḥīḥ

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Smile – It's sunnah

Jabir ibn Abdullah R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

كُلُّ مَعْرُوفٍ صَدَقَةٌ وَإِنَّ مِنَ الْمَعْرُوفِ أَنْ تَلْقَى أَخَاكَ بِوَجْهِ طَلِقٍ

Every good deed is charity. Verily, it is a good deed to meet your brother with a cheerful face.

Sunan al-Tirmidhī 1970, Grade: Sahih

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Mercy for all

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

بَيْنَمَا رَجُلٌ يَمْشِي بِطَرِيقٍ اشْتَدَّ عَلَيْهِ الْعَطَشُ فَوَجَدَ بئْرًا فَنَزَلَ فِيهَا فَشَرِبَ ثُمَّ خَرَجَ فَإِذَا كَلْبٌ يَلْهَثُ يَأْكُلُ التُّرَى مِنَ الْعَطَشِ فَقَالَ الرَّجُلُ لَقَدْ بَلَغَ هَذَا الْكَلْبُ مِنَ الْعَطَشِ مِثْلَ الَّذِي كَانَ بَلَغَ مِنِّي فَنَزَلَ الْبئْرَ فَمَلَأَ حُفَّهُ مَاءً ثُمَّ أَمْسَكَهُ بِيَدِهِ حَتَّى رَقِيَ فَسَقَى الْكَلْبَ فَشَكَرَ اللَّهُ لَهُ فَعَفَرَ لَهُ

A man suffered from thirst while he was walking on a journey. When he found a well, he climbed down into it and drank from it. Then he came out and saw a dog lolling its tongue from thirst and licking the ground. The man said: This dog has suffered thirst just as I have suffered from it. He climbed down into the well, filled his shoe with water, and caught it in his mouth as he climbed up. Then he gave the dog a drink. Allah appreciated this deed, so he forgave him.

It was said, “O Messenger of Allah, is there a reward for charity even for the animals?” The Prophet said:

فِي كُلِّ كَبِدٍ رَطْبَةٌ أَجْرٌ

In every being with a moist liver there is a reward for charity.

Sahih al-Bukhari 5663, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

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Virtue of the upper hand

Ibn Umar R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

يَدُ الْعُلْيَا خَيْرٌ مِنَ يَدِ السُّفْلَى وَالْيَدُ الْعُلْيَا الْمُنْفِقَةُ وَالسُّفْلَى السَّائِلَةُ

**The upper hand is better than the lower hand.
The upper hand is one that gives and the lower
hand is one that takes.**

Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī 1362, Grade: Muttafaquun Alayhi

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The best gift

Abu Sa'id al-Khudri R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

مَا أُعْطِيَ أَحَدٌ عَطَاءً خَيْرًا وَأَوْسَعَ مِنَ الصَّبْرِ

There is no gift that is better and more comprehensive than patience.

Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī 1400, Grade: Sahih

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Modesty brings nothing but goodness

‘Imran ibn Husayn R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

الْحَيَاءُ لَا يَأْتِي إِلَّا بِخَيْرٍ

Modesty does not bring anything but goodness.

In another narration, the Prophet said:

الْحَيَاءُ خَيْرٌ كُلُّهُ

Modesty is all that is good.

Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī 5766, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

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Be grateful to the Creator and the Creation

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

لَا يَشْكُرُ اللَّهَ مَنْ لَا يَشْكُرُ النَّاسَ

He has not thanked Allah who has not thanked people.

Sunan Abī Dāwūd 4811, Grade: Sahih

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Wage a war against unbridled desires

Fadalah ibn 'Ubayd R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said:

أَلَا أُخْبِرُكُمْ بِالْمُؤْمِنِ مَنْ أَمِنَهُ النَّاسُ عَلَى أَمْوَالِهِمْ وَأَنْفُسِهِمْ وَالْمُسْلِمِ مَنْ سَلِمَ
النَّاسُ مِنْ لِسَانِهِ وَيَدِهِ وَالْمُجَاهِدُ مَنْ جَاهَدَ نَفْسَهُ فِي طَاعَةِ اللَّهِ وَالْمُهَاجِرُ
مَنْ هَجَرَ الْخَطَايَا وَالذَّنُوبَ

Have I not informed you? The believer is the one who is trusted with the lives and wealth of people. The Muslim is the one from whose tongue and hand people are safe. The one striving in jihad in the way of Allah is the one who wages jihad against himself in obedience to Allah. The emigrant is one who emigrates away from sins and evil deeds.

Musnad Ahmad 23438, Grade: Sahih

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Protect others from your harm

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

الْمُسْلِمُ مَنْ سَلِمَ النَّاسُ مِنْ لِسَانِهِ وَيَدِهِ وَالْمُؤْمِنُ مَنْ أَمِنَهُ النَّاسُ
عَلَى دِمَائِهِمْ وَأَمْوَالِهِمْ

The Muslim is the one from whose tongue and hand the people are safe, and the believer is the one people trust with their lives and wealth.

Sunan al-Nasa'i 4995, Grade: Sahih

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You can be stronger than the wrestlers

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

لَيْسَ الشَّدِيدُ بِالصُّرَعَةِ إِنَّمَا الشَّدِيدُ الَّذِي يَمْلِكُ نَفْسَهُ عِنْدَ الْغَضَبِ

The strong are not the best wrestlers. Verily, the strong are only those who control themselves when they are angry.

In another narration, the Prophet ﷺ said:

لَيْسَ الشَّدِيدُ مَنْ غَلَبَ النَّاسَ وَلَكِنَّ الشَّدِيدَ مَنْ غَلَبَ نَفْسَهُ

The strong are not those who defeat people. Rather, the strong are those who defeat their ego.

Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī 5763, Grade: Muttafaquun Alayhi, Mushkil al-Āthār 1426, Grade: Sahih

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Hadith on
Good Character



You are made a shepherd

Ibn Umar R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

أَلَا كُلُّكُمْ رَاعٍ وَكُلُّكُمْ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ فَالْإِمَامُ الَّذِي عَلَى النَّاسِ رَاعٍ وَهُوَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ وَالرَّجُلُ رَاعٍ عَلَى أَهْلِ بَيْتِهِ وَهُوَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ وَالْمَرْأَةُ رَاعِيَةٌ عَلَى أَهْلِ بَيْتِ زَوْجِهَا وَوَلَدِهِ وَهِيَ مَسْئُولَةٌ عَنْهُمْ وَعَبْدُ الرَّجُلِ رَاعٍ عَلَى مَالِ سَيِّدِهِ وَهُوَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْهُ أَلَا فِكُلُّكُمْ رَاعٍ وَكُلُّكُمْ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ

Every one of you is a shepherd and is responsible for his flock. The leader of people is a guardian and is responsible for his subjects. A man is the guardian of his family and he is responsible for them. A woman is the guardian of her husband's home and his children and she is responsible for them. The servant of a man is a guardian of the property of his master and he is responsible for it. No doubt, every one of you is a shepherd and is responsible for his flock.

Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī 6719, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

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Hadith on
Good Character



Be beneficial, be the best

Ibn Umar R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

أَحَبُّ النَّاسِ إِلَى اللَّهِ أَنْفَعُهُمْ لِلنَّاسِ وَأَحَبُّ الْأَعْمَالِ إِلَى اللَّهِ سُورُورٌ تُدْخِلُهُ عَلَى مُسْلِمٍ أَوْ تَكْشِفُ عَنْهُ كُرْبَةً أَوْ تَقْضِي عَنْهُ دَيْنًا أَوْ تَطْرُدُ عَنْهُ جُوعًا وَلَأنَّ أَمْشِيَّ مَعَ أَخِيهِ فِي حَاجَةٍ أَحَبُّ إِلَيَّ مِنْ أَنْ أَعْتَكِفَ فِي هَذَا الْمَسْجِدِ يَعْنِي مَسْجِدَ الْمَدِينَةِ شَهْرًا وَمَنْ كَفَّ عَضْبَهُ سَتَرَ اللَّهُ عَوْرَتَهُ وَمَنْ كَظَمَ عَيْظَهُ وَلَوْ شَاءَ أَنْ يُمَضِّيَهُ أَمْصَاهُ مَلَأَ اللَّهُ عَرَّ وَجَلَّ قَلْبُهُ أُمَّتًا يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ وَمَنْ مَشَى مَعَ أَخِيهِ فِي حَاجَةٍ حَتَّى أَتَيْتَهَا لَهُ أَثَبَّتَ اللَّهُ عَرَّ وَجَلَّ قَدَمَهُ عَلَى الصِّرَاطِ يَوْمَ تَرُلُّ فِيهِ الْأَقْدَامُ

The most beloved people to Allah are those who are most beneficial to the people. The most beloved deed to Allah is to make a Muslim happy, or to remove one of his troubles, or to forgive his debt, or to feed his hunger. That I walk with a brother regarding a need is more beloved to me than that I seclude myself in this mosque in Medina for a month. Whoever swallows his anger, then Allah will conceal his faults. Whoever suppresses his rage, even though he could fulfill his anger if he wished, then Allah will secure his heart on the Day of Resurrection. Whoever walks with his brother regarding a need until he secures it for him, then Allah the Exalted will make his footing firm across the bridge on the day when the footings are shaken.

al-Mu'jam al-Awsat 6192, Grade: Sahih

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Hadith on
Good Character



Hide the faults of others

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

لَا يَسْتُرُ عَبْدٌ عَبْدًا فِي الدُّنْيَا إِلَّا سَتَرَهُ اللَّهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ

A servant does not cover the faults of another servant in the world but that Allah will cover his faults on the Day of Resurrection.

Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 2590, Grade: Ṣaḥīḥ

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Hadith on
Good Character



Repent before it is too late

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

وَاللَّهِ إِنِّي لَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ وَأَتُوبُ إِلَيْهِ فِي الْيَوْمِ أَكْثَرَ مِنْ سَبْعِينَ مَرَّةً

By Allah, I seek forgiveness from Allah and I repent to him more than seventy times in a day.

Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī 5948, Grade: Sahih

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Hadith on
Good Character



Learning is an obligation

Anas ibn Malik R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

طَلَبُ الْعِلْمِ فَرِيضَةٌ عَلَى كُلِّ مُسْلِمٍ

Seeking knowledge is an obligation upon every Muslim.

Sunan Ibn Majah 224, Grade: Sahih

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Hadith on
Good Character



Like ONE body

Al-Nu'man ibn Bashir R.A . reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said:

مَثَلُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ فِي تَوَادُّهِمْ وَتَرَاحُمِهِمْ وَتَعَاطُفِهِمْ مَثَلُ الْجَسَدِ إِذَا اشْتَكَى مِنْهُ
عُضْوٌ تَدَاعَى لَهُ سَائِرُ الْجَسَدِ بِالسَّهَرِ وَالْحُمَّى

The parable of the believers in their affection, mercy, and compassion for each other is that of a body. When any limb aches, the whole body reacts with sleeplessness and fever.

Sahih al-Bukhari 5665, Grade: Muttafaquun Alayhi

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Hadith on
Good Character



Cooperate and do not be divided

Abu Burda R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

يَسِّرًا وَلَا تَعْسِيرًا وَبَشِيرًا وَلَا نُفِيرًا وَتَطَاوَعًا وَلَا تَخْتِلَافًا

Make things easy and do not make things difficult. Give glad tidings and do not repel people. Cooperate with each other and do not become divided.

Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī-2873, Grade: Muttafaquun Alayhi

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Hadith on
Good Character



Upon you is truthfulness

Ibn Mas'ud R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

عَلَيْكُمْ بِالصِّدْقِ فَإِنَّ الصِّدْقَ يَهْدِي إِلَى الْبِرِّ وَإِنَّ الْبِرَّ يَهْدِي إِلَى الْجَنَّةِ وَمَا يَزَالُ الرَّجُلُ يَصْدُقُ وَيَتَحَرَّى الصِّدْقَ حَتَّى يُكْتَبَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ صَدِيقًا وَإِيَّاكُمْ وَالْكَذِبَ فَإِنَّ الْكَذِبَ يَهْدِي إِلَى الْفُجُورِ وَإِنَّ الْفُجُورَ يَهْدِي إِلَى النَّارِ وَمَا يَزَالُ الرَّجُلُ يَكْذِبُ وَيَتَحَرَّى الْكَذِبَ حَتَّى يُكْتَبَ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ كَذَّابًا

Upon you is truthfulness! Verily, truthfulness leads to righteousness and righteousness leads to Paradise. A man continues to be truthful and encourages honesty until he is recorded with Allah as truthful. And beware of falsehood. Verily, falsehood leads to wickedness and wickedness leads to the Hellfire. A man continues tell lies and encourages falsehood until he is recorded with Allah as a liar.

Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 2607, Grade: Muttafaquun Alayhi

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Hadith on
Good Character



The real bankruptcy

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

أَتَدْرُونَ مَا الْمُفْلِسُ

Do you know who is bankrupt? They said, “The one without money or goods is bankrupt.” The Prophet said:

إِنَّ الْمُفْلِسَ مِنْ أُمَّتِي يَأْتِي يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ بِصَلَاةٍ وَصِيَامٍ وَزَكَاةٍ وَيَأْتِي قَدْ شَتَمَ هَذَا وَقَذَفَ هَذَا وَأَكَلَ مَالَ هَذَا وَسَفَكَ دَمَ هَذَا وَضْرَبَ هَذَا فَيُعْطَى هَذَا مِنْ حَسَنَاتِهِ وَهَذَا مِنْ حَسَنَاتِهِ فَإِنْ فَنِيَتْ حَسَنَاتُهُ قَبْلَ أَنْ يُقْضَى مَا عَلَيْهِ أُخِذَ مِنْ خَطَايَاهُمْ فَطُرِحَتْ عَلَيْهِ ثُمَّ طُرِحَ فِي النَّارِ

Verily, the bankrupt of my nation are those who come on the Day of Resurrection with prayers, fasting, and charity, but also with insults, slander, consuming wealth, shedding blood, and beating others. The oppressed will each be given from his good deeds. If his good deeds run out before justice is fulfilled, then their sins will be cast upon him and he will be thrown into the Hellfire.

Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 2581, Grade: Sahih

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Hadith on
Good Character



The real richness

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said:

لَيْسَ الْغِنَى عَنْ كَثْرَةِ الْعَرَضِ وَلَكِنَّ الْغِنَى غِنَى النَّفْسِ

Wealth is not in having many possessions. Rather, true wealth is the richness of the soul.

Source: Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī 6081, Grade: Muttafaquun Alayhi

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Hadith on
Good Character



Calmness is from Allah

Anas ibn Malik R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

التَّائِبِي مِنَ اللَّهِ وَالْعَجَلَةُ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ

Calmness is from Allah, and recklessness is from Satan.

al-Sunan al-Kubrā 18651, Grade: Hasan

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Hadith on
Good Character



Seven under the shade

Abu Huraira R.A. reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ, peace and blessings be upon him, said:

سَبْعَةٌ يُظِلُّهُمُ اللَّهُ فِي ظِلِّهِ يَوْمَ لَا ظِلَّ إِلَّا ظِلُّهُ الْإِمَامُ الْعَادِلُ وَشَابٌّ نَشَأَ بِعِبَادَةِ اللَّهِ وَرَجُلٌ قَلْبُهُ مُعَلَّقٌ فِي الْمَسَاجِدِ وَرَجُلَانِ تَحَابَّا فِي اللَّهِ اجْتَمَعَا عَلَيْهِ وَتَفَرَّقَا عَلَيْهِ وَرَجُلٌ دَعَتْهُ امْرَأَةٌ ذَاتُ مَنْصِبٍ وَجَمَالٍ فَقَالَ إِنِّي أَخَافُ اللَّهَ وَرَجُلٌ تَصَدَّقَ بِصَدَقَةٍ فَأَخْفَاهَا حَتَّى لَا تَعْلَمَ يَمِينُهُ مَا تُنْفِقُ شِمَالُهُ وَرَجُلٌ ذَكَرَ اللَّهَ خَالِيًا فَفَاضَتْ عَيْنَاهُ

There are seven whom Allah will shade on a day when there is no shade but his. They are a just ruler, a youth who grew up in the worship of Allah, one whose heart is attached to the mosques, two who love each other, meet ,and depart from each other for the sake of Allah, a man who is tempted by a beautiful woman of high status but he rejects her, saying ,’I fear Allah,’ one spends in charity and conceals it such that his right hand does not know what his left hand has given, and one who remembered Allah in private and he wept.

Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī 629, Grade: Muttafaqun Alayhi

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Hadith on
Good Character

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ
عِلْمًا نَافِعًا وَرِزْقًا طَيِّبًا
وَعَمَلًا مُبَارَكًا مَنفَعًا
وَمَا تُؤْتِيهِ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ

وما توفيقى إلا بالله

My success comes only through Allah.
And Allah knows best.