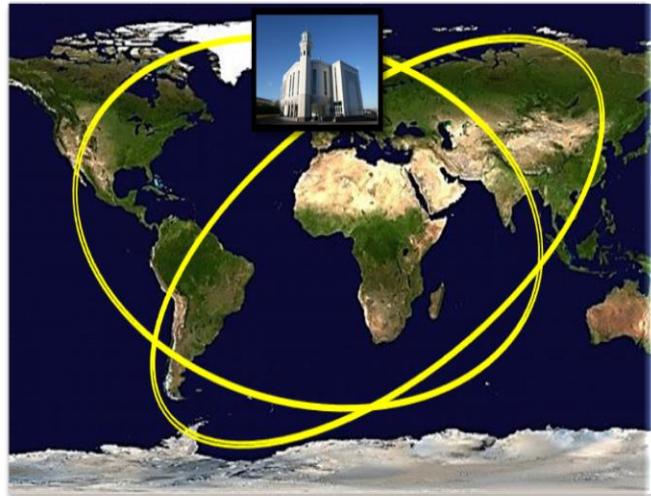


The Best Of You Are The Best To Their Women; Lead By Example



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Summary

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Responsibilities as a Husband

Model and Example of the Holy Prophet (saw)

Upbringing of Children

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The teachings of Islam guide us in every matter.

Allah has summarized these teachings in this verse of the Holy Quran:

After accepting him, we should try to increase in our faith and openly give the message of Islam.

Allah the Almighty says,
‘Verily you have in the Prophet of Allah an excellent model’.

Thus, true success can only be achieved, if we put this model before us in every big and small matter.

Therefore, we always need to keep the model and example of the Holy Prophet (sa) in mind.

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Responsibilities of a Man

Islam has explained the responsibilities of men in their different roles, as father, husband, son etc. If these teachings are adopted, a peaceful society can be established.

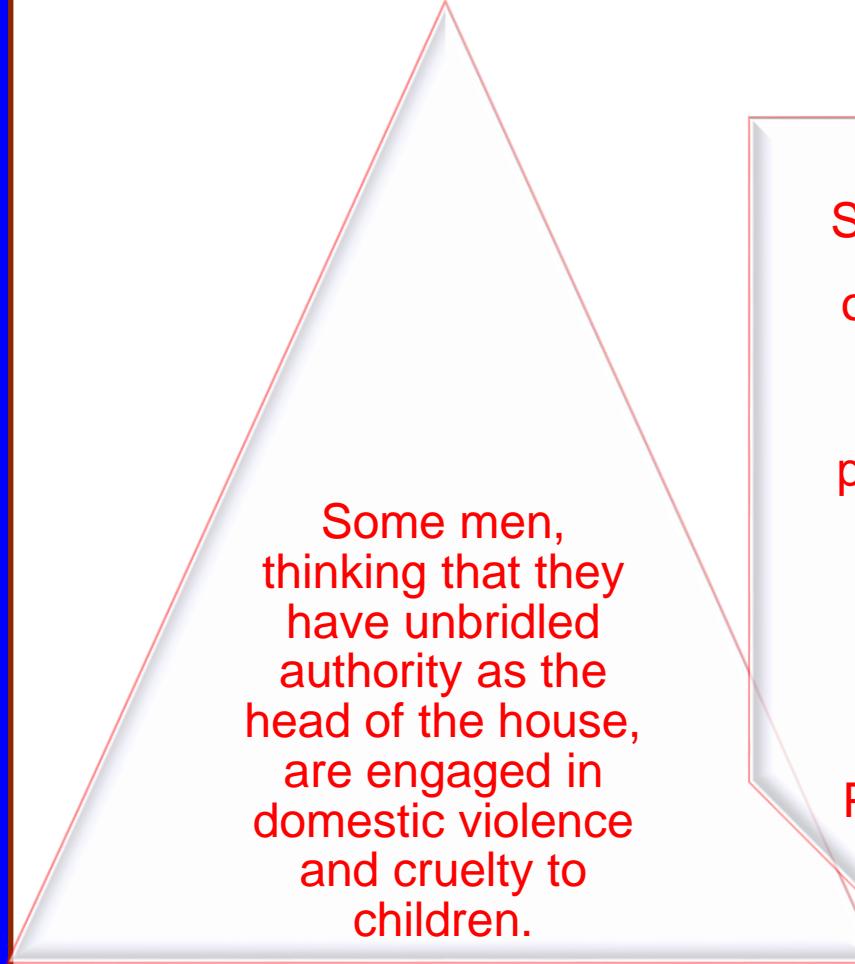
Sometimes, men consider themselves superior to women while not fulfilling the rights of their wives or children.

Some people even physically harm women and children.

If one doesn't let go of such ignorant behavior, then the Bai'at of the Promised Messiah (as) hasn't benefited them in any way.

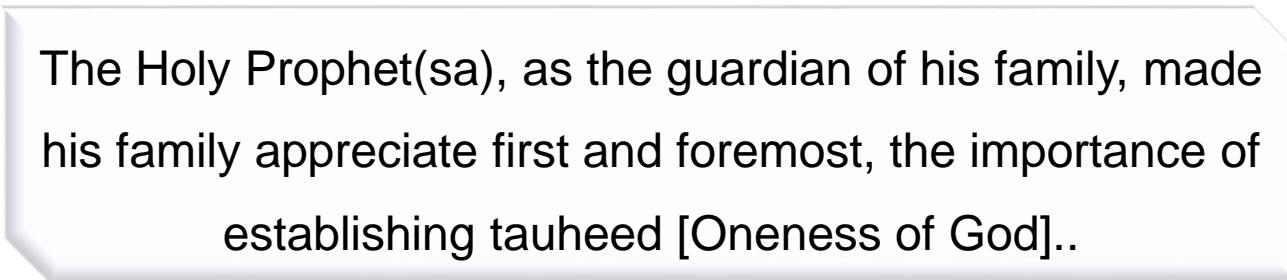
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Responsibilities as a Husband



Some men, thinking that they have unbridled authority as the head of the house, are engaged in domestic violence and cruelty to children.

So, if one wants to carry on treating his wife and children like ignorant people, then there is no benefit in coming into the Bai'at [Oath of Initiation] of the Promised Messiah(as).



The Holy Prophet(sa), as the guardian of his family, made his family appreciate first and foremost, the importance of establishing tauheed [Oneness of God]..

Model and Example of the Holy Prophet (saw)

The Holy Prophet (sa) treated his wives and children with love and affection.

Hazrat Aisha (ra) says that the Holy Prophet (sa) used to wake up at night for Nafl prayers. Then he used to wake us up with a little sprinkle of water before Fajr time to offer voluntary prayers.

He also used to help his wives in their tasks at home such as cleaning, cooking etc.

Keeping his example in mind, Muslim men should analyse their behaviour.

Remember the Hadith, “The one from among you is the highest regarding morals and manners who is better in his treatment of his wives.’ Thus, good treatment of wives is the very sign of the greatness of one’s standard of faith.

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The Holy Prophet (sa) said

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The Promised Messiah (as) has said that other than clear indecency, all other weaknesses of women should be tolerated.

Then he once said that we find it extremely shameful that being men, we fight with women. Being a man is a blessing of Allah upon us and its deserved thankfulness is to treat women with kindness and affection.

Similarly, the Promised Messiah (as) once said that women have a great tendency to be influenced (by behaviour). Woman see the behaviour and acts of man. If you want to reform them, then men should first reform themselves.

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Upbringing of our children

It is seen that the reason for evils in our homes and bad upbringing of our children is mostly due to the morals and behaviour of men.

If you would like to have a religious environment in your homes and better upbringing of your children, then it is incumbent for men to make themselves better.

Men's responsibilities as Fathers

Similarly, men have responsibilities as fathers as well.

Do not think that upbringing of children is only for women.

Men need to establish their own role model for children, especially for boys.

Similarly, it is important to keep a very close eye on your children and their behaviour. Earnest prayers for your children are also vital.

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Sons Responsibilities

Similarly, being a son, Islam has enjoined men to act in a kind fashion towards his parents.

After their passing away, it is important to keep a good relationship with their relatives and their friends.

You should always be kind towards your father and mother in-laws.

Some new Ahmadis inquire about treatment of their parents.

They should remember that despite changing your faith, it is important to always be kind and compassionate towards your parents.

A man is a husband, father and a son among his many other roles. We should try to understand our responsibilities from all aspects.

May Allah enable us to do so.