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وَلَهُ مَا فِي السَّمٰوٰتِ وَالْاَرْضِ وَلَهُ الدِّيْنُ وَاصْبَاۗءُ اَفْغِيْرٍ اللّٰهُ تَتَّقُوْنَ

“And to Him belongs whatsoever is in the heavens and the earth and to Him is due obedience for ever. Will you then fear any other than Allah?” [16:53]



Hadith:

One Who Brings Up an Orphan will Share His Abode in Paradise with the Holy Prophet (saw)

Narrated by Ḥaḍhrat Sahl bin Sa'd, (ra) said the Holy Prophet (saw): “I and the guardian of the orphan will be in Paradise close together like two fingers, and the Holy Prophet (saw) demonstrated it by closing his two fingers together”.

(Tirmidhi)

Writings of the Promised Messiah and Imam Mahdi ^{as}

“Do not think the revelation from God is not possible in the future; that it was possible only in the past: Do not think that the Holy Spirit cannot come down now. I tell you truly that every door can be closed but the door for the coming down of the Holy Spirit. Open all the doors of your heart to receive it. With your own hands you remove yourself to a distance from that sun when you yourself close the window through which light can enter. Therefore get up at once and throw this window open, so that the light of the sun should, of its own accord, enter your heart with the simplicity and inevitability of a natural process”.

Kishti-e-Nuh (Noah's Ark)

Summary of the Friday Sermon

Delivered by Hadhrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (atba)

Hudhur (atba) delivered his Friday Sermon on 9th April from Basharat Mosque, Pedro Abad, Spain and gave a comprehensive exposition on the essence of Tabligh. He said that the object of the advent of the Promised Messiah (as) was to revive the glory of Islam. Indeed, it was in Spain that after a few hundred years of rise, Islam fell in such a way that its adherents were forcibly converted to Christianity or they got caught in the trap of Christian missionaries due to their own spiritual weakness. India, with its Muslim mystics and saints was considered as the fortress of Islam. But there too Muslims were turning to Christianity. This is the time that the Promised Messiah's advent took place and the revival of Islam began. Having received knowledge from God, he told the world about the superiority of Islam over other world religions. He presented the reality of Christianity to the Christian priests who had spoken of Christian dominance in India in such a way that they were forced to be defensive about it and some of them retreated, telling their followers never to engage in a discussion with Ahmadis. Christians acknowledged that due to this 'new' Islam, which was in fact the real Islam, the greatness of the Holy Prophet (saw) was being re-established.

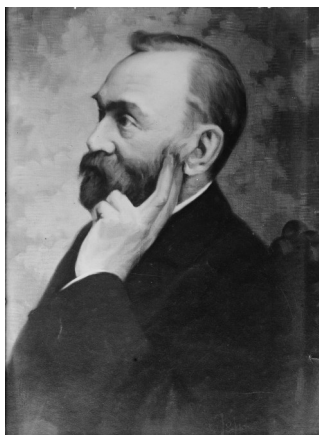
The Promised Messiah (as) stated: ‘God Almighty desires to draw all those who live in various habitations of the world, be it Europe or Asia, and who have virtuous nature, to the Unity of God and unite His servants under one Faith. This indeed is the purpose of God for which I have been sent to the world. You, too, therefore should pursue this end, but with kindness, moral probity and fervent prayers.’ (The Will, pp 8 - 9)

The Holy Qur'an states: ‘And who is better in speech than he who invites men to Allah and does good works and says, ‘I am surely of those who submit?’ (41:34) God declares summoning people to Him as the best of tasks and everything else as secondary. One is to utilize all resources that are available to perform this task and be included in the best of people. The Holy Qur'an states hundreds of commands and forbids many things. Good works constitute when man avoids what is forbidden and tries to do what is enjoined. Hudhur said if we analyse ourselves there is much piety that we overlook in our daily lives. It is a most significant condition for one who invites people to God to be one who does ‘good works’. Then alone can one summon another to the ways showed by the Promised Messiah (as) in the current age. Then alone can one assert that he or she has, to some extent, found inner peace and is heading towards spiritual development and can usher others to listen and try to be obedient as one has been obedient.

(<http://www.atislam.org/archives/friday/FSS20100409-EN.html>)

Personality of the Month

Alfred Bernhard Nobel was born in Stockholm, Sweden, on 21st October 1833. He was a Swedish chemist, engineer, innovator, armaments manufacturer and the inventor of dynamite. Nobel held 355 different patents, dynamite being the most famous. In his last will, he used his enormous fortune to institute the Nobel Prizes. The synthetic element Nobelium was named after him.



The foundations of the Nobel Prize were laid in 1895 when Alfred Nobel wrote his last will, leaving much of his wealth for its establishment. Since 1901, the prize has honoured men and women for outstanding achievements in Physics, Chemistry, Medicine, Literature, for establishing Peace and now in Economics.

In 1888 Alfred's brother Ludvig died while visiting Cannes and a French newspaper erroneously published Alfred's obituary. It condemned him for his invention of dynamite and is said to have brought about his decision to leave a better legacy after his death. The obituary stated "*Le marchand de la mort est mort*" ("The merchant of death is dead") and went on to say, "Dr. Alfred Nobel, who became rich by finding ways to kill more people faster than ever before, died yesterday."

On 27 November 1895, at the Swedish-Norwegian Club in Paris, Nobel signed his last will and testament and set aside the bulk of his estate to establish the Nobel Prizes, to be awarded annually without distinction of nationality. He died of a stroke on 10 December 1896 at Sanremo, Italy. After taxes and bequests to individuals, Nobel's will gave 31,225,000 Swedish kronor (equivalent to about 1.8 billion kronor or 250 million US\$ in 2008) to fund the prizes.

He is buried in "*Norra begravningsplatsen*" literally "The Northern Cemetery" in Stockholm.

Obedience to Parents

(A speech by a tiftl, Mr. Jalees Ahmed aged 12, at the Local Ijtema MKA Edinburgh in February 2010)

The Holy Qur'an has made it compulsory for the child to treat his parents with all goodness. Allah says "But if they (both) strive with you to make you join in worship with Me others of which you have no knowledge, then obey them not; but behave with them in the world kindly..." [Qur'an 29:9]

Dear brothers children must take great care not to react to what their parents have to say. If they say or do anything which is not liked or approved of by the children, then they must show patience and tolerance instead of giving vent to their anger. The children must scrupulously try to refrain from disobeying their parents since the Holy Prophet (saw) regarded this as one of the grave sins.

We must continue praying for them even after they die. Such prayer will be regarded as a continuous charity as the Holy Prophet (saw) told us.

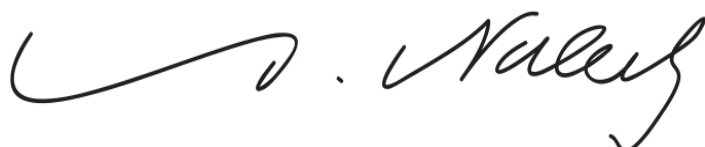
The children must be kinder and more grateful to their mothers since they took greater pains in their upbringing. That is why the Holy Prophet (saw) emphasized that it is the mother who has the first claim on the child's care and attention.

The Holy Prophet (saw) placed kindness and respect towards parents just after the prayer offered on time as the prayer is the foundation of Islam.

'Abdullaah Ibn Mas'ood (ra) said: "I asked the Holy Prophet (saw) which deed is most liked by Allah? He (saw) said: 'Prayer offered on time.' I asked him: 'Then what? He (saw) said: 'Kindness and respect towards parents.'..." [Al-Bukhaari and Muslim]

It is also the duty of the child to provide for his parents, if he is able to do so. The Holy Qur'an sums up the whole matter in a master concept called Ihsaan, which denotes what is right, good and beautiful (i.e. showing to them kindness, compassion, gratitude, reverence and respect, praying for them and supporting them financially if they are in need.)

Concluding, we mention a verse that shows the significance of obedience and gratitude due to parents: Allah says: "And We have enjoined upon man be good to his parents - his mother bears him in weakness upon weakness, and his weaning takes two years - and said Give thanks to Me and to your parents; Unto Me is the [final] return." [Qur'an 31:15]



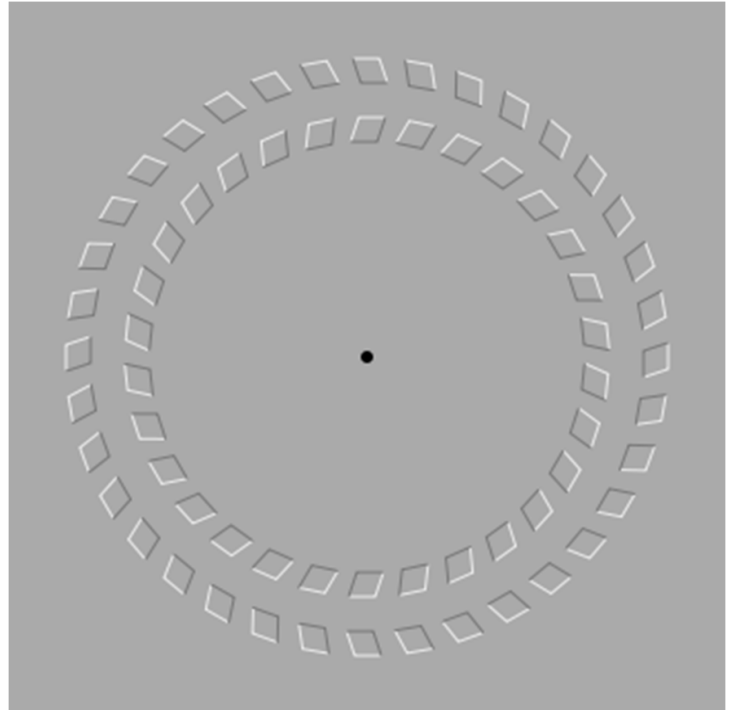
3rd Condition of Bai'at by the Promised Messiah and Imam Mahdi ^{as}

That he/she shall regularly offer the five daily prayers in accordance with the commandments of God and the Holy Prophet (saw); and shall try his/her best to be regular in offering the Tahajjud.....

Salaat Times at Bait ur Rehman Mosque Glasgow: Fajr 5:00am, Zuhr 1:30pm, Asr 5:30pm, Maghrib & Isha 8:45pm



Visual illusion



The two circles seem to move when the viewer's head is moving forwards and backwards while looking at the black dot.

A Short History of Manchester United F.C.

from Wikipedia, the free encyclopaedia

Manchester United Football Club is an English professional football club who play at Old Trafford in Stretford, Greater Manchester. Having won a joint-record 18 league titles and a record 11 FA Cups, Manchester United is one of the most successful clubs in the history of English football, and are the reigning Premier League champions and Football League Cup holders. The club is one of the wealthiest and most widely supported football teams in the world.



Founded as **Newton Heath LYR F.C.** in 1878, the club joined The Football League in 1892 and has played in the top division of English football since 1938, with the exception of the 1974-75 season. They were the first English club to win the European Cup, in 1968, and the Treble, in 1999; they added a third Champions League title in 2008.

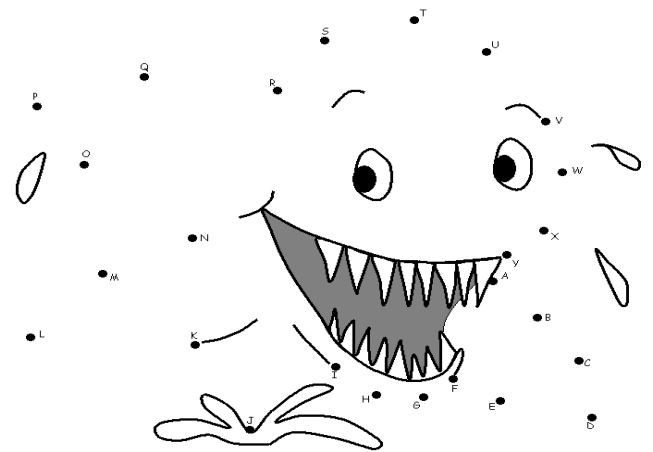
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Upcoming Events for Atfal

- 2nd May - Atfal General Meeting
- 9th May - Atfal Majlis-e-Amila Meeting
- 16th May - Visit to Scotstoun Leisure Centre for swimming
- 23rd May - Football match at Kelvingrove Sports Arena
- 30th May - Atfal Tarbiyyat Discussion Forum
- 30th May - Indoor sports (table football)
- 30th May - Khilafat Day
- Weekly Taleem Classes every Sunday after Zuhr salaah
- Waqf-e-Nau classes every Sunday before Zuhr salaah