



القاعدة الثانية عشرة

إِنَّ أَكْرَمَكُمْ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ اتَّقَاهُ
Indeed, the most noble of
you in the sight of Allah
is the most righteous of
you

سورة الحجرات

49:13

This is a strong principle of the religion. Allah addresses all mankind; we are created from the same source, the same father and mother, Adam and Hawwa. We cannot think anyone is greater or lesser because of their family or colour.

التقوى

امتثال الامر و اجتناب النهي على نور من الله

عدم اتباع الهوى

يذكر فلا ينسى
يشكر فلا يكفر
يطاع فلا يعصى

حق التقوى

يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ إِنَّا خَلَقْنَاكُمْ مِنْ ذَكَرٍ
وَأُنْثَىٰ وَجَعَلْنَاكُمْ شُعُوبًا وَقَبَائِلَ
لِتَعَارَفُوا إِنَّ أَكْرَمَكُمْ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ اتَّقَاكُمْ
إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلِيمٌ خَبِيرٌ

O mankind, indeed We have created you from male and female and made you peoples and tribes that you may know one another.

Indeed, the most noble of you in the sight of Allah is the most righteous of you.

Indeed, Allah is Knowing and Acquainted.

سورة الحجرات

49:13

The honour with Allah is not with your lineage, your family, your colour; the honour is with taqwa. The best person is the one with the most taqwa. This is in the heart, and only Allah knows about it, its proportion in the heart.

Taqwa is to follow the commandments, and abstain from the prohibitions, not because of your desire, but because Allah commanded

With time, Allah made us into different tribes and nations, so that we would have distinct identities. There is no difference in our lineage, we are all one.

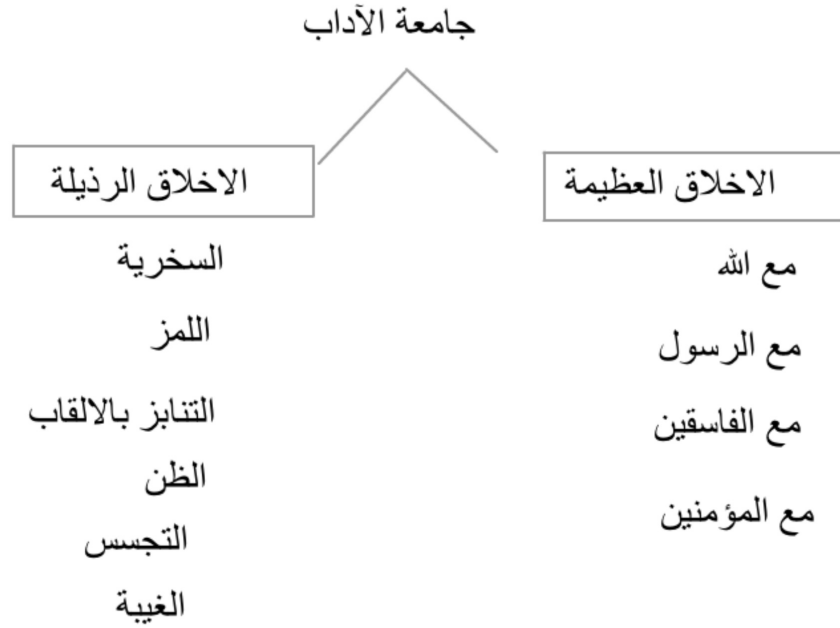
The Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم said :

المسلم أخو المسلم لا يخونه ولا يكذبه ولا يخذله، كل المسلم على المسلم حرام عرضه وماله ودمه، التقوى ههنا، بحسب امرئ من الشر أن يحقر أخاه المسلم

A Muslim is a brother to a Muslim. He should neither deceive him nor lie to him, nor leave him without assistance. Everything belonging to a Muslim is inviolable for a Muslim; his honour, his blood and property. Piety is here (and he pointed out to his chest thrice). It is enough for a Muslim to commit evil by despising his Muslim brother.

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you. Never forget Allah, don't be heedless or negligent from His remembrance. Always be grateful to Allah, don't ever cover His blessings by your ingratitude. Your gratefulness should translate into action. Be obedient to Allah, don't be disobedient, and transgress your limits.



Surah Al-Hujurat is a collection of manners, a university to teach the best of manners, which should be adopted, and the worst of the manners, which should be avoided. Your taqwa will make you apply this.

Ayaat 1-10 tell you how to behave with people.

Ayaat 11-12 tell you the manners you must display with Allah.

✦ Don't bring forward an opinion contrary to that of Allah and the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم .

✦ Don't raise your voice above that of the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم, obey his teachings. Don't talk to him in a way which you would use for everyone else, don't give your own

opinions. This could result in your deeds vanishing without you realizing it.

✦ Be patient.

✦ Verify the news which a transgressor brings, don't react to it immediately. You can recognize someone who crosses his limits when he is seen openly sinning, such as consuming alcohol.

✦ Make peace between two believers who are disputing with each other.

✦ Don't mock each other.

✦ Don't insult each other.

✦ Don't transcribe bad titles to each other.

✦ Don't make evil assumptions.

✦ Don't be suspicious and spy on others.

✦ Don't backbite each other.

After Allah beautifies your heart with the faith, these actions don't suit you. All of these are major sins, and need repentance to be forgiven. The worst of the evil manners is back biting; it is like eating the flesh of your brother, and Allah has given this parable in the Qura'an to explain its severity and ugliness.

ليس في كتاب الله آية تمدح احدا لنسبه او تذم احدا لنسبه

انما يمدح الايمان و التقوى
يذم الكفر و الفسوق و العصيان

With Allah, it is not about who you are, and which family you come from, and what the colour of your skin is. The connection with Allah is with your deeds and actions; this is taqwa. There is no ayah which praises or dispraises a person because of his lineage. Praise and dispraise is with your actions. The belief and taqwa are praised, while disbelief and transgression and disobedience is dispraised.

Allah is the All-Knower, the All-Aware. He is the only One who judges.

