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The Conditions of the Prophet (PBUH) with His Family

All praise is due to Allah, the Lord of all worlds, Who says in His Ever Glorious Book to His Prophet, **“The Messenger of Allah is an excellent model for those of you who put your hope in Allah and the Last Day and remember Him often.”** I bear witness that there is no god but Allah, and that Muhammad is His Servant and Messenger. May Allah’s Peace and Blessings be upon him, his Household, Companions and upon those who follow their path to the Day of Judgment

The Almighty Allah has sent our Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) as mercy to the worlds, and to perfect good manners. So He (PBUH) was the best of in his morals, the one with the purest heart and the most modest soul, and the best companion. The Almighty Allah said, **“We have not sent you except as a mercy to the worlds.”** The Prophet (PBUH) said about himself, “I have been sent to perfect noble morals.” The Prophet’s wife Khadija (may Allah be pleased with her) described the Prophet (PBUH) saying, “You keep good relations with your relatives, speak the truth, help the poor and the destitute, serve your guests generously and assist the deserving calamity-afflicted ones.”

Although the Prophet (PBUH) was the best companion for all those around him and the most noble person with them all, his family had the greatest share of his good manners and kind treatment. He (PBUH) said, "The best of you is he who is best to his family, and I am the best among you to my family."

Our Prophet (PBUH) was the best husband. He used to help his family in domestic works. Once, Ahisha (may Allah be pleased with her) was asked: 'What would the Prophet (PBUH) do in his house?' She replied, 'He mended his sandals and worked as any man works in his house.' According to another narration, she said, "He used to keep himself busy helping his family, and when it was the time for Prayer, he would get up for prayer."

It was a sign of His (PBUH) kind treatment with his family that he (PBUH) would let his wife Safiyyah (may Allah be pleased with her) to step on his knee to mount her camel, and he would wipe out her tears with his noble hands out of loving and honoring her.

Also, our Prophet (PBUH) used to consult his wives. Once he sought the advice of Umm Salamah (may Allah be pleased with her) during the time of the Treaty of al-Hudaybiyyah. She advised him (PBUH) to go ahead and complete the rituals of *Umrah* and his Companions would follow him. This was what exactly happened. The Prophet (PBUH) set the best example of man's loyalty to his wife. He said about his wife Khadija (may Allah be pleased with her) after her death, "She had faith in me when people

rejected me. She believed in me when the people disbelieved me. She supported me with her wealth when the people prevented me.” Once, an old woman came to the Prophet and he treated her well and showed hospitality to her. Aishah asked the Prophet about the reason for such treatment and he replied, “She used to visit us when Khadija was alive. To be faithful to others is an aspect of one’s belief.”

Our Prophet (PBUH) was a compassionate and kind father. It is reported that, “Whenever his daughter Fatimah came to him, he would stand up for her, make her welcome, kiss her and have her sit in his place. When the Prophet came to her, she would stand up for him, take his hand, make him welcome, kiss him, and make him sit in her place.” Also, When his son Ibrahim died, he show deep sorrow. When he was asked about this feeling, he replied, “It is compassion,” then shed tears and said, “The eye weeps and the heart grieves, but we say only what our Lord is pleased with, and we are grieved over being separated from you, Ibrahim.”

All praise is due to Allah, Lord of the Worlds; may Allah ’s Peace and Blessings be upon Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), his companions and followers:

The Prophet (BUH) was the best grandfather to his grandchildren. Once, he (PBUH) prostrated during the prayer for so long that people said, “O

Messenger of Allah, you had made a long prostration that we thought something bad had happened or that you were receiving a revelation.' He (PBUH) said: 'No such thing happened. But my grandson was riding on my back and I did not like to disturb him.'" Once, He (PBUH) was delivering a *Khutbah* when he saw al-Hasan and al-Husain wearing red shirts, walking and stumbling. He came down and picked them up to the *Minbar*."

Our Prophet (PBUH) used also to show kindness to servants. Anas Ibn Malik (may Allah be pleased with him) said: I served the Prophet (PBUH) for ten years, and he never said to me, "Uf" (a minor harsh word denoting impatience) and never blamed me by saying, "Why did you do so or why didn't you do so?" How much we need to follow the example of our Prophet (PBUH) in all the affairs of his life, as his life was truly the best example known to humanity, establishing a stable and healthy family, which advances the society and causes life to be upright.

May Allah's peace and blessings be upon our master Muhammad and
upon his family and companions!

We ask Allah to protect Egypt and raise its flag high among all countries
of the world!