

In the Name of Allah the Most compassionate, the Most Merciful
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Praises and thanks are to the God who is Sufficient for a person who seeks His help. And, He guides the one who asks to be guided. And peace be upon Muhammad and His Ahlul-Bait and curses be upon their enemies.

Virtuous

I advise myself and you to be virtuous and I warn you from his wrath and anger, and I caution you from his punishment, for surely, he is the most powerful of punishers and he describes the punishment of the day of judgment in Surah Hajj like this: *{1 mankind! fear your Lord! for the convulsion of the Hour (of Judgment) will be a thing terrible!2 The Day ye shall see it, every mother giving suck shall forget her suckling-babe, and every pregnant female shall drop her load (unformed): thou shalt see mankind as in a drunken riot, yet not drunk: but dreadful will be the Wrath of God.1,2\22}* And Ameer al-Muminoon has said, "Fearing God's punishment is the way of the pious ones." May God make us fear as if we were able to see him."

Ideals

Previously, we discussed regarding the ideal worship and prayer and reminded ourselves that one of the main of the aspects of this worship is inner peace, Surely the remembrance of God settles the heart. Secondly, the adjustment of the affairs of the community, verily the Holy Qur'an mentions that: verily pray keeping from fornication.

.Today, we will discuss about the truth of worship in Islamic Law and this contains all the individual and sociological acts that help one to increase their proximity to God. Literally, these include; Supplication, prayer, remembrance of God, helping society, kindness to people and even to animals, but we must take heed in a certain important point that our help to society should be within the boundaries of Islam, additionally, it is disallowed for us to innovate and add to Islam. God has verily said: *Say: the things that my Lord hath indeed forbidden are: shameful deeds, whether open or secret; sins and trespasses against truth or reason; assigning of partners to God, for which He hath given no authority; and saying things about God of which ye have no knowledge.* I will remind you of a famous historical example, one of the most important worship in Islam is prayers, and it is a pillar of Islam, Imam Ali and our Holy Prophet told us that we should take care of the issue of prayers and practice it a lot, however importantly we cannot add anything to this pillar of Islam, some of the

companions of the Prophet, liked to pray behind the Prophet in Nafila (an additional prayer) but Prophet disallowed them and informed them that it is Haraam to pray an additional prayer in Jamaat, so we are not allowed to alter any of the laws of Islam, even in the supplications that our Imam's taught us. Shaykh Sudooq, narrates from Abdullah ibn Sanaan and our Imam Al-Sadiq, that Imam Sadiq, taught him the supplication of the drowned, which is, O God, O the merciful, O the beneficent, O the one who circulates the heart, keep my heart steady in your religion. and d dhe repeated :O God, O the merciful, O the beneficent, O the one who circulates the heart and eyes, keep my heart steady in your religion, Imam Sadiq answered that he is also the one who circulates the eyes but repeat exactly what I taught you. Our Holy Prophet has said all the additions to Islam lead loss and all the people who add to religion will go to Hell. And our guide in this way in this path is his famous hadith of thaqalayn (two heavy things), therefore anything that we get from things other than these two, are void, an addition and disallaowed. From the book of Fiqh Al-Redha, in early times, there was man who wanted to gather money and he couldn't, so Shaitan suggested him to make a religion and he did, after awhile he thought about the consequences of his actions and he became regretful, because of that he tied a rope to his neck and said I will not open it until god forgives me. Allah told the prophet of that time to tell him: if you ask me until you took apart your body I will not forgive you until you turn back those that followed you.

Worshipping God is a benefit from himself, so for the ideal worshipper, worship should be carried out the way Allah has instructed, without adding or removing anything.

Coming events

Finally, I remind you that Wednesday will be the wiladat of our 7th Imam Al-Kadhim, he was born in the year of 128 AH, in Medina and we have sscheduled a programme for this event, we will mention one hadith about him narrated from his father, saying that he has intelligence, wisdom, understanding, generosity, he knows what people need in religious matters that there are conflicts in and he is a way of God's ways, May Allah help us to understand his character better and grant us his visitation, intercession and gather us in Heaven with his great fathers.