

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ، شَمِلَ بِرَحْمَتِهِ الْخَلْقَ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَخَتَمَ رَسُولَاتِهِ بِخَاتَمِ  
النَّبِيِّينَ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ وَهُوَ  
عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا وَنَبِيَّنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُ اللَّهِ وَرَسُولُهُ، صَاحِبُ  
الْمَقَامِ الْمَحْمُودِ، وَالْحَوْضِ الْمَوْرُودِ، وَالشَّفَاعَةِ الْعُظْمَى، صَلَّى اللَّهُ وَسَلَّمْ وَبَارَكَ  
عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَعَلَى مَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

**Praise be to Allah, the Lord of the worlds. His mercy is over all His creation. He completed the last of His Messages through His Final Messenger Muhammad. I bear witness that there is no deity worthy of worship, except for Allah, having no Associates. To Him belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth, and He is over all things Mighty. I also bear witness that Muhammad is His Servant and Messenger. He is raised to the honoured station, promised with the Frequented Basin and granted the ultimate intercession. May the peace and the blessings of Allah be upon him, his companions and all those who will follow them in righteousness till the Day of Judgment, Amin**

- **LOVE IS LEARNED** – love of parents, siblings, family, friends, wealth, food, property, in our communities, there is much love for all those material things in life . We teach our children to crave these things, but what about the Prophet ﷺ?
- It is a love that has been overlooked, overshadowed by shopping, consoles, technology, girls, food, games and media.
- It is a love that is scarcely taught, when was the last time you made time to talk to your children about the beautiful life of the Prophet ﷺ.
- Have you too forgotten, or do you also need to learn to love the one who delivered the message of Islam?

Say, “O mankind! If you love Allah, follow me – Allah will love you and forgive you your sins”; and Allah is Oft Forgiving, Most Merciful.

Say, “If your fathers, and your sons, and your brothers, and your wives, and your tribe, and your acquired wealth, and the trade in which you fear a loss, and the houses of your liking – if all these are dearer to you than Allah and His Noble Messenger and fighting in His way, then wait until Allah brings about His command; and Allah does not guide the sinful.”

The Prophet ﷺ said: teach your children **MY LOVE**

- **Do as I Say and Do as I Do!** - Children will pick up their parents' cues lightning fast. If you tell them, from an early age that the reason you are doing this good deed/action/behaviour is because this is the **Way of the Prophet ﷺ**, your child will grow up & remember it forever.
- **Plan Family Events and Fun Activities** - Around the Prophet ﷺ, horse riding, archery, swimming – racing or carrying kids on your shoulders.
- **Make More Out of a Meal** - Cook a special meal once a month with the Prophet's favourite food. Use his ingredients: **dates, figs, grapes, melon, honey, milk, olive oil etc.** Talk about manners & the du'as
- **Appearance of the Prophet** - Teach them about outer and inner beauty. His demeanour, presence, smile. **Some compared his beautiful smile to a full moon...His nose was thin... His face was smooth...His beard was tidy, there were no more than 20 white hairs in his beard.**
- **Walk the Same** - Make it a contest - **he walked with vigour, leaned, forward and placed his feet softly on the ground. He walked at a quick pace and took a rather long step. He walked with a mission & focus...**

- **Speak Similarly – Sayyidah** ﷺ Aishah describes his manner of speaking - He spoke clearly, word by word. He was never excessive in speech, he was the sweetest in talk among his companions. He used to keep silent for long periods and not talk without necessity. **His way was not to speak evil words and what he said was just.**
- **Talk About Character** - The Prophet ﷺ always treated his everyone with kindness and justice. Whatever clothes he wore or food he ate, he would share. **He was generous, beneficial, compassionate, forgiving, brave and mild-mannered. He always kept his word and was known as the trustworthy even to those who opposed the message he brought as a light to mankind.**
- **Map It Out!** - Get a map and talk to your children about the places that the Prophet ﷺ travelled to and the events surrounding each area. Camp out with your family in similar terrains and narrate stories about the life of the Prophet ﷺ over the campfire.

**LOVE IS LEARNED – just like the love of the family, wealth, dunya and its beauty – learn to love and yearn the Suhba of the Prophet. Because you will be raised with those you love on the day of Qiyamah.**