

IN THE NAME OF ALLAH, THE MOST GRACIOUS, THE MOST MERCIFUL

HOW TO OVERCOME THE INTRODUCTION OF UNISLAMIC MATERIALS IN SCHOOL IN THE UK

INTRODUCTION

Raising and educating children is one of the duties required of parents. Allaah has enjoined that in the Qur'aan, and the Messenger (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) also enjoined that. Allaah says (interpretation of the meaning):

"O you who believe! Ward off yourselves and your families against a Fire (Hell) whose fuel is men and stones, over which are (appointed) angels stern (and) severe, who disobey not, (from executing) the Commands they receive from Allaah, but do that which they are commanded"

[al-Tahreem 66:6]

"And enjoin As-Salaat (the prayer) on your family, and be patient in offering them [i.e. the Salaat (prayers)]"

[Ta-Ha 20:132]

Firstly we need to understand that the children are our future. Failure to inculcate and cultivate good Islamic values from young will eventually lead to a moral decay in society. Examples of an Islamic erosion in society:

- 1. Islamic dress code/outlook, especially for sisters is ignored...and sometimes banned in countries e.g. countries like Egypt ban beards or even hijab in some sectorsof employment; only a few days ago, Arab women were stepping on the niqab to demonstrate against being forced to wear it, etc.
- 2. Free mixing becomes a norm in wedding receptions, religious lessons, etc
- 3. Having boyfriends/girlfriends becomes a norm;
- 4. Increase in unlawful sex outside marriage;

- 5. Pornographic materials on TV, music videos wearing revealingZ\HGG4J clothes, kissing and other sexual foreplays are not moral issues in many countries
- 6. Increase in sexually transmitted diseases;
- 7. Increase in pregnancy outside marriage;
- 8. Increase in abortion rate;
- 9. Increase in same sex relationship;
- 10. Prevalence of the drinking culture;
- 11. Prevalence of gambling;
- 12. Increase in crime rates theft, burglary, etc
- 13. Using celebrities as role models in life;
- 14. Increase taking of drugs

All the above are <u>on the rise in MUSLIM countries</u>....despite having an abundance of opportunities to seek knowledge in the numerous madrasah and mosques. During prayer times, the adhan can be heard loudly through loud speakers, beckoning the faithful to seek solace and perform their obligatory duties. Many laws were in place to prevent alcohol, promiscuity, gambling, taking of drugs, etc....BUT there are alwaysJUUUUJNJN back doors and some even have legal avenues for prostitution, drug taking and casinos.

To make matters worse, the rich can always escape the "backwards Islamic regulations" by travelling to western countries in order to "be themselves" and indulge in numerous haram activities. Uber drivers have witnessed the surge in the number of Muslims coming from Muslim countries who have completely lost their Islamic values and are indulging in haram activities. At the same time, we have western Muslims who A **The Messenger (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) gave the parents the responsibility of raising the children and made that obligatory upon them.**

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Safwat al-Safwah, 4/437-438

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are studying in Muslim countries and have narrated how the Islamic values have eroded drastically in many parts of society in these Muslim countries.

WHAT IS HAPPENIING IN THE UK?

The UK government are now starting to introduce compulsory sex education in schools as early as nursery and primary schools. They are also trying to

normalise homosexuality and are very keen to promote a "gender neutral" concept, where it is perfectly fine for boys to behave like girls, and vice versa. ANY ATTEMPT by parents to stop them from choosing their sexual identity may lead to the parents bring prosecuted. Any ATTEMPT to discipline the children harshly may also lead to parents being prosecuted if the children complained about their parents' forceful approach.

LOOK BACK AT THE SEERAH OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD (SALLALLAHU 'ALAYHI WA SALLAM) AND THE QURAISH.

- Unlawful sex was prevalent
- People were doing tawaf naked
- Everyone was drinking alcohol, except a handful of people
- Fathers were actually burying their daughters
- Idol worshipping was the ONLY way of worship

WHAT MUST MUSLIM PARENTS DO IN ORDER TO PREVENT CHILDREN FROM SLIPPING INTO THIS MORAL CONUNDRUM?

- 1. ISLAM BEGINS AT HOME
- 2. PARENTS, ESPECIALLY THE MOTHERS, MUST INCREASE THEIR OWN ISLAMIC KNOWLEDGE
- 3. CHILDEN MUST BE TAUGHT TO UNDERSTAND AND LOVE ISLAM
- 4. ISLAMIC KNOWLEDGE MUST PRECEDE THE KNOWLEDGE ON DUNYA MATTERS, AND MUST BE PRIORITISED
- 5. ISLAMIC KNOWLEDGE MUST BE IN THIS ORDER OF PRIORITY:
- Tawheed
- Ageedah
- Understand the true meaning of Islam
- Understand the purpose of life
- Complete understanding of the salah (NOT just the ritual) hence the common use of the word "aqimis salah": which is to fulfill ALL the criteria to make the salah perfect.
- Learn how to read the Qur'an in Arabic
- Read the Qur'an in easy translation
- Read children's books on the different prophets NOT JUST because it is interesting but WHAT LESSONS TO BE LEARNT
- Expose the children more to Muslim role models and Islamic books
- 6. ENFORCING ISLAMIC RULES AT HOME MUST BE ACCORDING TO THE RECOMMENDED HADITHS
 - E.g. prayer
- 7. FOCUS ON SEEKING ALLAH'S GUIDANCE AND THE PRAYER.

Guidance to the truth is in the hand of Allah alone and no human being has any share in that, as Allah said to His Messenger (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) (interpretation of the meaning):

"Verily, you (O Muhammad) guide not whom you like, but Allah guides whom He wills. And He knows best those who are the guided."

[al-Qasas 28:56]

Allah guides whomsoever He wills and sends astray whomsoever He wills. He has told us that He guides those who obey Him and turn to Him, as He says (interpretation of the meaning):

"While as for those who accept guidance, He increases their guidance and bestows on them their piety."

[Muhammad 47:17]

But whoever disobeys Allah and turns away from Him, Allah will not guide him, as He says (interpretation of the meaning):

"Truly, Allah guides not him who is a liar, and a disbeliever."

[al-Zumar 39:3]

Allah is Omniscient and knows what has happened and is happening and what is yet to come. Allah knows the believers and the disbelievers, and what they will do, and He knows what their fate will be in the Hereafter. He has written all this in al-Lawh al-Mahfooz (the Preserved Tablet), as He says (interpretation of the meaning):

"And all things We have recorded in a Book."

[al-Naba 78:29]

"Say: 'O you mankind! Now truth (i.e. the Quran and the Prophet Muhammad), has come to you from your Lord. So whosoever receives guidance, he does so for the good of his own self; and whosoever goes astray, he does so to his own loss; and I am not (set) over you as a Wakeel (disposer of affairs to oblige you for guidance)."

[Yoonus 10:108]

"And had your Lord willed, those on earth would have believed, all of them together. So, will you (O Muhammad) then compel mankind, until they become believers?"

[Yoonus 10:99]

and perform *As-Salat* (*Iqamat-as-Salat*). Verily, *As-Salat* (the prayer) prevents from *Al-Fahsha*' (i.e. great sins of every kind, unlawful sexual intercourse, etc.) and *Al-Munkar* (i.e. disbelief, polytheism, and every kind of evil wicked deed, etc.) and the remembering (praising, etc.) of (you by) Allah (in front of the angels) is greater indeed [than your remembering (praising, etc.) Allah in prayers, etc.]. And Allah knows what you do.

8. TAKING ALL THE ABOVE INTO CONSIDERATION - SEX EDUCATION TO BE TAUGHT BY PARENTS

Example

And come not near to the unlawful sexual intercourse. Verily, it is a *Fahishah* [i.e. anything that transgresses its limits (a great sin)], and an evil way (that leads one to Hell unless Allah forgives him). 17: 32

Also, stories of prophet Lut (AS)

- 9. SEND CHILDREN TO MADRASAH AFTER SCHOOL OR ON WEEKENDS
- 10. SOME PARENTS MAY WISH TO SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO ISLAMIC SCHOOLS FOR THEIR PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOL EDUCATION
- 11. MONITOR WHAT THE CHILDREN DO ON THE INTERNET
- 12. LIMIT THE HOURS ON GAMES/ INTERNET
- 13. MONITOR WHO THEIR FRIENDS ARE
- 14. MONITOR WHAT ARE BEING TAUGHT IN SCHOOLS
- 15. HAVE A CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR CHILDREN SO THAT THEY ARE ABLE TO TALK TO YOU ON ANYTHING SPEND A LOT OF TIME
- 16. PRAY IN CONGREGATION AT HOME AND OCCASIONALLY BRING THEM TO THE MOSQUE
- 17. LET CHILDREN BE CHILDREN ALWAYS CHOOSE A MIDDLE PATH for e.g. they like cartoons, play with other children, etc
- 18. EXPRESS YOUR CONCERNS TO THE HEAD TEACHER ON ANYTHING THAT YOU THINK MAY HAVE A BAD INFLUENCE ON THE CHILDREN

- 19. HAVE A DISCUSSION WITH OTHER MUSLIM PARENTS TO EXPRESS THE CONCERN ABOUT THE UNISLAMIC THINGS TAUGHT IN SCHOOL
- 20. APPROACH MOSQUES TO ENSURE OR ADVISE THAT THEY ORGANISE ACTIVITIES THAT ARE CURRENT AND THAT ENGAGE THE YOUTHS
- 21. APPROACH YOUR MPs
- 22. SIGN PETITIONS IN ORDER TO DEMAND THE ISSUE ON SEX EDUCATIONS BE BROUGHT UP IN PARLIAMENT
- 23. MAKE DU'A TO ALLAH FOR GUIDANCE AND PROTECTION
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 - 14:40

On the other hand, we also have Muslims in the western countries who, with Allah's Guidance, are striving hard to please Allah, especially some of the reverts. Allah Reminded us:

"O you who believe! Whoever from among you turns back from his religion (Islam), Allah will bring a people whom He will love and they will love Him; humble towards the believers, stern towards the disbelievers, fighting in the Way of Allah, and never afraid of the blame of the blamers. That is the Grace of Allah which He bestows on whom He wills. And Allah is All-Sufficient for His creatures' needs, All-Knower." 5:54

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