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Tomorrow is the ninth
(9th) of Muharram
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Verse of The Week

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
﴿ * نَبِّئْ عِبَادِي أَنِّي أَنَا الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ (49) وَأَنَّ عَذَابِي هُوَ
الْعَذَابُ الْأَلِيمُ (50) ﴾ [سورة الحجر - الآيات 49-50]

“(49) Declare (O Muhammad ﷺ) unto My slaves, that truly, I am the Oft-Forgiving, the Most-Merciful. (50) And that My Torment is indeed the most painful torment..” (Qur'an 15:49-50).

Meaning: In verse 49, Allah ﷻ directly attributes forgiveness and mercy to Himself using the emphatic form: “I am the Forgiving, the Merciful.” This shows that Allah’s ﷻ mercy is essential and central to His being. He wants His servants to be filled with hope and reassurance — it is His default invitation to them.

In contrast, verse 50 speaks of His punishment without saying “I am the punisher” or “I am the tormentor.” Instead, it says: “And that My punishment is the painful punishment.” Here, the emphasis is on the reality and severity of the punishment, but not the direct self-identification with it. This linguistic distance reflects that punishment is not His primary desire for His servants, but rather a necessary consequence for those who persist in injustice and disbelief.

Hadith of The Week

قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ﷺ: "إِنَّ مِنْ أَحَبِّكُمْ إِلَيَّ وَأَقْرَبُكُمْ مِنِّي مَجْلِسًا
يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ أَحْسَنُكُمْ أَخْلَاقًا."

“Indeed, among the dearest of you to me and the closest to me in sitting on the Day of Judgment will be those of you with the best character.” — Sunan al-Tirmidhi, Authentic.

Meaning: This hadith beautifully emphasizes

that good character is not just a moral virtue — it is a path to closeness with the Prophet ﷺ in the Hereafter. Our kindness, patience, honesty, humility, and gentleness are not small traits; they are among the most beloved qualities in Islam. Good manners are not only what makes society peaceful, but they also reflect the inner refinement of faith. The Prophet ﷺ himself was described in the Qur'an as being on “an exalted standard of character” (Qur'an 68:4), and this hadith encourages every believer to walk in his footsteps. Whether with family, neighbors, or strangers, our behavior is our message — and perhaps our key to being near the Prophet ﷺ on the Day of Judgment.

Editorial:

Good character lies at the heart of Islam. The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said, “I was only sent to perfect good moral character,” highlighting that one of the core purposes of his mission was to teach and exemplify noble behavior. Islam is not just a religion of rituals — it is a complete way of life that shapes how we speak, behave, and treat others. Truthfulness, patience, humility, forgiveness, and kindness are not optional virtues; they are obligations upon every Muslim. Our faith is not truly complete unless it is reflected in our manners, both in private and public, with those we love and those we disagree with.

In our homes, schools, and masajid, we must revive this prophetic priority. Teaching children how to pray is essential, but teaching them to respect parents, speak kindly, and act with honesty is just as vital. The Prophet ﷺ promised that those with the best character will be closest to him on the Day of Judgment. Let us strive to be among them — by living Islam with sincerity, not just in words, but in the way we carry ourselves

every day. In a time when the world is desperate for kindness and integrity, Muslims should be known — as they were in the earliest generations — for the beauty of their character.

Weekly Article



Islam & Equality Part (2)

Momtaz Islam

July 5, 2025

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ إِنَّا خَلَقْنَاكُمْ مِنْ ذَكَرٍ وَأُنْثَىٰ وَجَعَلْنَاكُمْ شُعُوبًا وَقَبَائِلَ
لِتَعَارَفُوا إِنَّ أَكْرَمَكُمْ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ أَتْقَاكُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلِيمٌ خَبِيرٌ [سورة
الحجرات - آية 13]

O mankind! We have created you from a male and a female, and made you into nations and tribes, that you may know one another. Verily, the most honourable of you with Allah is that who has the most Taqwa [pious]. Verily, Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware. (Qur'an 49:133).

This week we continue our talk about this verse from the Qur'an. The heart of this verse lies in the phrase: "The most honored of you in the sight of Allah is the most righteous of you." This shifts the scale of value away from worldly status and toward spiritual quality. In Islam, honor is not earned by wealth, lineage, fame, or power — but by taqwa, the conscious awareness of Allah ﷻ. Taqwa means protecting oneself from sin, being mindful of Allah ﷻ in every moment, and choosing His pleasure over temporary gains. It is an internal condition, visible only to Allah ﷻ, and its signs are often subtle acts of sincerity and restraint.

A beautiful example of taqwa is found in a conversation with Umar ibn al-Khaṭṭāb (RA). When asked about taqwa, he likened it to walking through a thorny path — lifting one's garments and treading carefully to avoid harm. This metaphor captures the essence of God-consciousness: being vigilant with one's words,

cautious in one's steps, and intentional in one's choices. Taqwa appears in small acts, such as lowering the gaze, avoiding backbiting, giving in secret, or forgiving when able to retaliate. These quiet, personal struggles define a person's true worth in the sight of Allah ﷻ.

The verse ends by affirming that Allah ﷻ is All-Knowing and All-Aware. While people may judge by appearance, only Allah ﷻ knows the sincerity of the heart. Therefore, we are urged not to judge others, nor to base our self-worth on the opinions of society. Instead, we must evaluate ourselves by Allah's ﷻ scale — striving for righteousness, humility, and a heart devoted to Him. In a world full of divisions, this verse offers a divine reminder: our shared origin unites us, our diversity enriches us, and our taqwa defines us.

Reflection



Paying Unwillingly

الدَّفْعُ كَرْهًا

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July 5, 2025

On the Day of Judgment, every soul will stand alone before Allah ﷻ, carrying nothing but the weight of its own deeds. No wealth, status, or family ties will help — not even the people we loved most in this life. The Qur'an reminds us: "**A man will flee from his brother, his mother, his father, his spouse, and his children...**" (Qur'an 34:36). On that day, each person will be so concerned for their own salvation that they would not give away a single good deed — not even to their parents or children. The scale will be set, and even one **hasanah** could tip the balance between Paradise and Hellfire.

Yet, how terrifying it would be for a person to see those they disliked, even hated in this world, stepping forward to claim their good deeds. The Prophet ﷺ warned us of the mufliṣ — the bankrupt person — who comes on the Day of Judgment with mountains of good deeds: prayer, fasting, charity. But he insulted this one, slandered that one, backbit another, and hurt others

with his tongue and actions. So one by one, they are given from his hasanat — not by generosity, but by justice. And when his good deeds run out, their sins are thrown upon him instead. He came rich in worship, but left bankrupt in reward.

This moment of reckoning should shake us to our core. The people we talked about in secret, mocked online, or humiliated behind their backs may be the very people whose faces we see on that Day — taking from the currency we desperately need. Meanwhile, the parents we love so deeply, the friends we held dear, will not be able to help us. The only way to protect our hasanat is to guard our tongue, purify our heart, and treat every soul with dignity. If we wouldn't hand someone our most beloved deed in this world, why give it to them by default in the next? The Day of Judgment is not a place for apologies — it is the place of repayment.

Announcements

- Jum'ah prayers are set to start at 1:35 PM.
This Jum'ah is a fasting day
- There is no second Jum'ah during the summer break.
- You can contribute to the AsSiddique Weekly.

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Important Dates

- **July 4:** The Day of Tasu'a (9th) of Muharram
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- **July 4:** US Independence Day (Happy Birth Day America)
- **July 5:** The Day of Ashura (10th) of Muharram
- **July 8-10:** The 13th-15th Day of Muharram

Prayer Times for Stillwater, Oklahoma (July 5 – July 12, 2025)

For corrections: Please allow for ± 1 minute. ISNA calculations method used.

Day	Date	Fajr	Sunrise	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghrib	Isha
Sat	July 5	4:49 AM	6:17 AM	1:34 PM	5:23 PM	8:49 PM	10:15 PM
Sun	July 6	4:50 AM	6:17 AM	1:34 PM	5:23 PM	8:49 PM	10:15 PM
Mon	July 7	4:50 AM	6:18 AM	1:34 PM	5:23 PM	8:48 PM	10:14 PM
Tue	July 8	4:51 AM	6:18 AM	1:34 PM	5:23 PM	8:48 PM	10:14 PM
Wed	July 9	4:51 AM	6:19 AM	1:34 PM	5:23 PM	8:47 PM	10:13 PM
Thu	July 10	4:52 AM	6:19 AM	1:34 PM	5:23 PM	8:47 PM	10:12 PM
Fri	July 11	4:53 AM	6:20 AM	1:34 PM	5:23 PM	8:46 PM	10:11 PM
Sat	July 12	4:53 AM	6:20 AM	1:34 PM	5:23 PM	8:46 PM	10:10 PM

DUA' OF THE WEEK

O Allah, honor us with Your immense forgiveness, abundant generosity, and countless gifts. Enrich our lives with contentment and goodness, and adorn our days with light and forgiveness, O Lord of the worlds.

O Allah, open for us the gates of Your mercy, forgive our mothers and fathers, and open for them the gates of Your mercy and Paradise.

May Allah bless your day with all goodness, and may your time be pleasant wherever you are.

Stillwater News



BoomerBlast
Friday, July 04, 2025

Location: Boomer Lake

The Shark is Broken

Saturday, July 05, 2025 , 8:00 pm-10:00 pm

Additional Dates:

- Thursday, July 03, 2025, 8:00 pm-10:00 pm
- Friday, July 04, 2025, 8:00 pm-10:00 pm

Location:

Pollard Theatre Company
Guthrie, OK

