

Ramadan The Month Of Patience

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PATIENCE.

Sahih Bukhari 1400

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People tend to be impatient if they do not use their mind, conscience and will. Usually, people seek to easily get what they want with little effort, solve a problem immediately, overcome a difficulty, and that the troubles would pass quickly. However, as a requirement of the trial on earth, sometimes things are not solved in such a short time. Sometimes, it may be necessary to work towards something for months, even years, and have patience for a very long period of time. For this reason, people should refrain from misconceptions like "It doesn't work," "I should give up," "I am fed up."

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Our Prophet (saas) stated that the month of Ramadan is a month of patience in one of his hadiths, which is as follows:

"O People! There comes upon you now a great month, a most blessed month, in which lies a night greater in worth than one thousand months. It is a month in which God has made compulsory that the fasting should be observed by day and He has made the worship (tarawih) by night a sunnah. This is indeed the month of patience. And the reward for true patience is paradise. Ramadan is the month of sympathy with one's fellowmen. It is the month wherein a true believer's sustenance increases. (Ibn Khuzaimah, Sahih, II, 191-192; (Thk. M. M. A'zami)

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Just like we know when the time comes for prayer and we perform it, being patient is also a worship. For this reason, a person who does not eat or drink when he is hungry or thirsty because he is fasting is actually fulfilling another beautiful manner of worship by being beautiful.

Whenever someone is being patient, he becomes closer to God and his commitment to God is strengthened. When someone shows patience for God's sake, it also becomes a reason for happiness for him. Tolerance is people doing something to get it over with as soon as possible, to earn other people's favors, and, indeed, is not the same kind of worship as patience is. A person who is in a state of mind that believes something is not at peace. That is why it is important and valuable to be patient and not just tolerate during Ramadan as well. And this means that a Muslim displays good morals, speaks beautifully and always gives priority to others even when he is hungry, thirsty and tired.

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