



Summarised Friday Sermon

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Shaping Youths Of Iman

- Islam rewards richly the youths who still remain steadfast in their faith, and continue to serve Allah amidst all these challenges, and manages to overcome the challenges the world throws at them. Our youth is the time that we should try our best to do things that will benefit us and our families. Seek knowledge, whatever knowledge that can help you, and your family to succeed in the future. Seek religious knowledge to strengthen your iman so that you can confidently face any challenges.
- To have fun is not wrong in Islam so long as we know our limits. Thus, joking, listening to music, hanging out with friends is not wrong if we know where the limits are, and when these are done with parents' permission.
- Some steps to gaining our parents' trust: First: Showing kindness to our parents. This is the first necessary step: to show kindness to our parents. This can be done not only by showing respect and acceding to their requests, it can also be done by doing what our parents like, making them happy when they are sad, upset or angry.
- Second: Choosing the right friends Teens need to be smart in choosing their friends. A good friend is one who corrects when you when you make a mistake, one who does not let us return late from school without reason, or encourage us to take up bad habits like returning late or smoking.
- Third: Be mindful of your prayers. The prayer is one of the yardsticks in determining whether one is a good Muslim or not. There is little meaning as a Muslim, who excels in school or work, but ignore the duty of performing prayers
- Fourthly: Manage your time well. In order to earn your parent's trust, you need to manage your time well, to be able to make time for activities, for studies, for religion, for family etc.
- With this hopefully, we are able to change ourselves and shape a generation of youths of iman and taqwa who are able to contribute to parents, society, religion and country. Remember, no one can change us except ourselves.



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