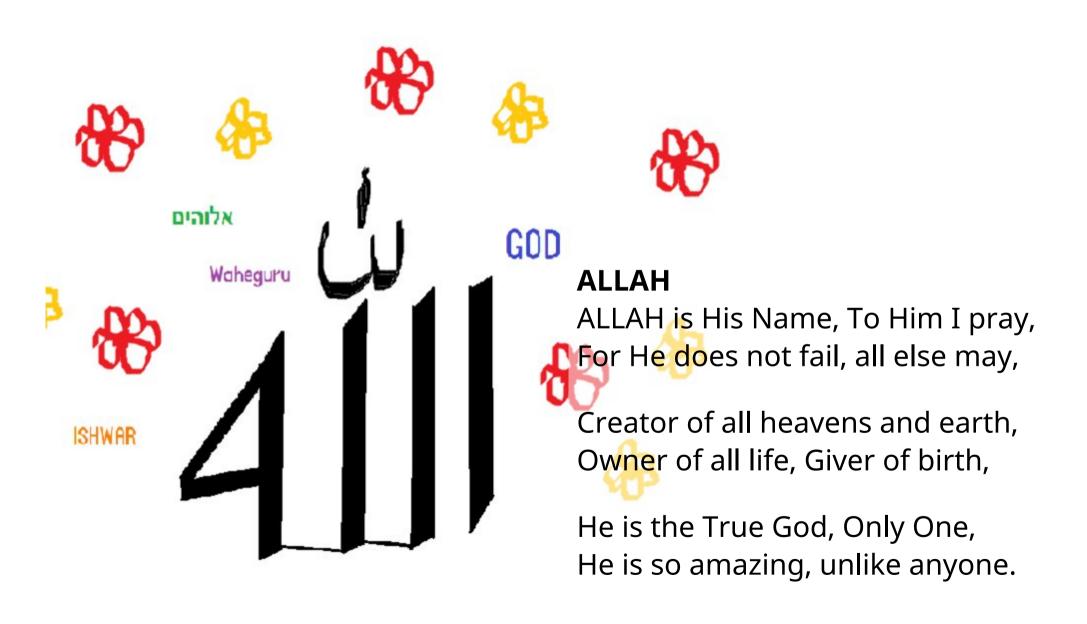
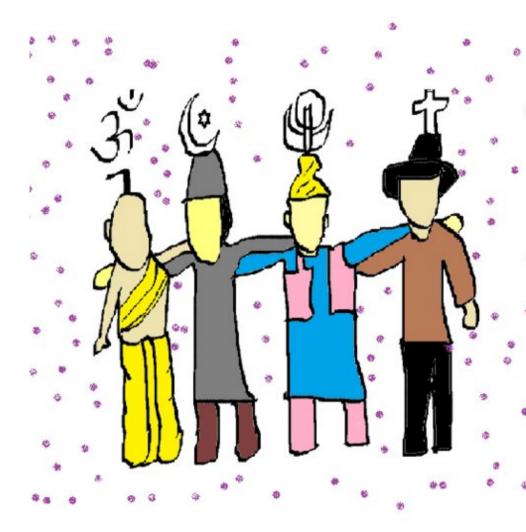




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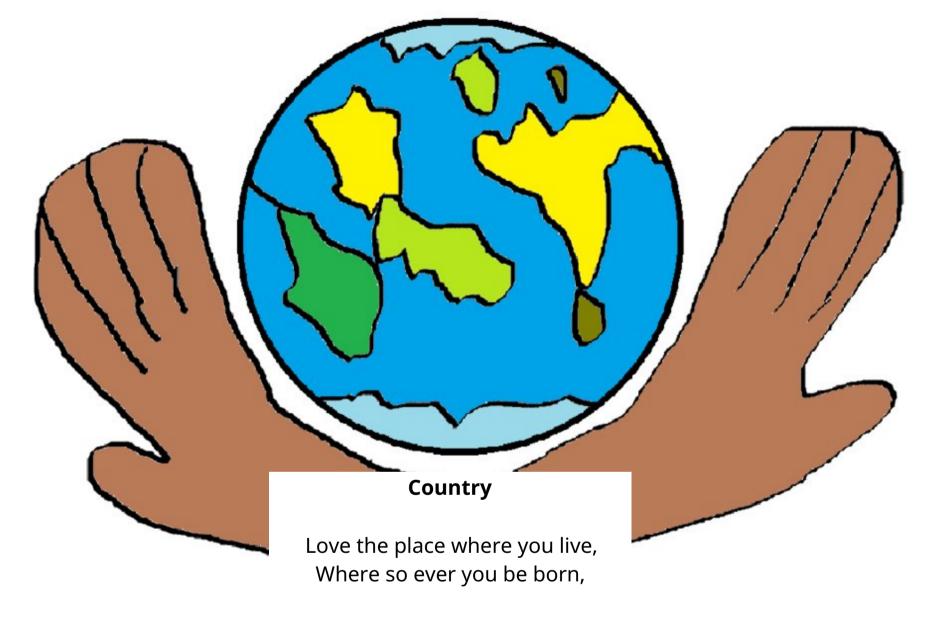


Brotherhood

We are a family, you and me, We are the same, as we see, We are all children of Adam, All slaves of ALLAH we be,

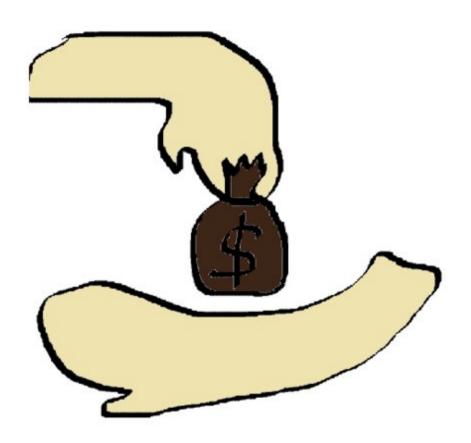
One family we are,
We are one world,
We are one people,
We are this world,

Brothers don't fight, they love, Helping others, others they serve, Love, respect and honor for all, Is what we need and do deserve.



Be it a country full of riches, Be it a nation lost and torn,

Because you carry it along, Wherever on earth you be gone.



Donate

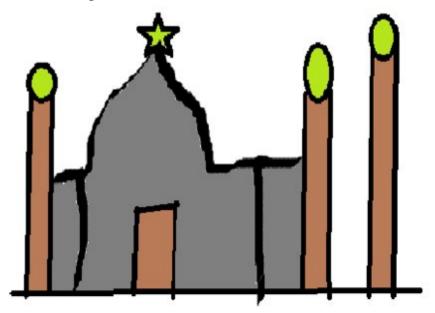
When you spare a penny, And know not what to do, Donate it to a needy one, So that Allah may bless you,

In exchange of a penny,
Allah may give hills of gold,
Donate in the way of Allah,
The beloved Prophet thus told.

Eid

Rejoice! All brothers and sisters, It is the feast of Eid, Come let us glorify ALLAH, Who blesses us and feeds,

This is the feast of joy, A day of celebrations, Peace is all around us, This day of salutations,





Let us ask forgiveness,
And increase good deeds,
Rejoice! Brothers and Sisters,
Here is the feast of Eid.

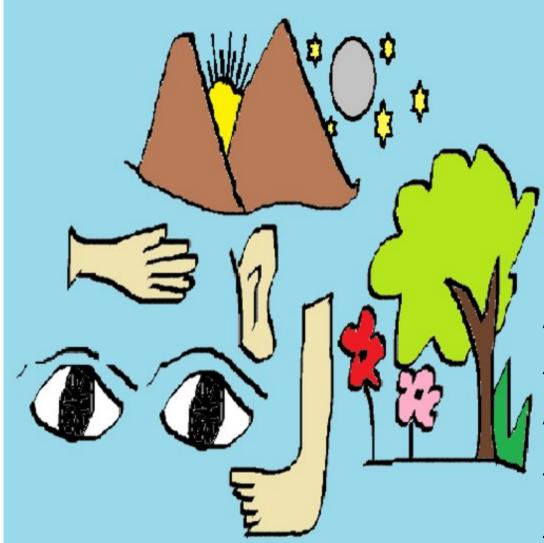
Friends

Friends are there to help in trouble, Friends are there to smile along, Friends don't fight, they fret not, When friends are there, we are strong,

A name that brings smiles to your lips, Someone to play along all day, Who cries and laughs with you, Someone with whom you can pray,

Friends are a blessing of ALLAH, When they are honest and dear, Pray! Our friendship stays there, Oh ALLAH! Keep us close and near.



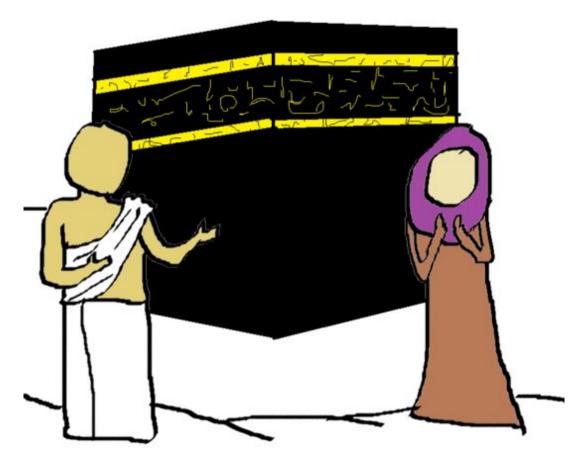


Gifts of Allah

My mother, so sweet and kind, My father, my loving shiny star, My elders and brothers and sisters, All gifts from Allah they are,

These eyes, these ears and nose,
A healthy body, so strong of mine,
My smart mind is a gift from Him,
The One whose names are ninety-nine,

This world, so beautiful around us, Are all gifts that Allah showered, Let us thank Him for His Love, Very humbly with our heads lowered.



Hajj

Off to Hajj, we move to Mecca, And to the graced city of Medina, To beg our Lord's pardon, To gain His Mercy and Sakinah,

If you leave me, I will be lost, If you do bless, saved I am! Here, I come Lord, Here I am! You are my Master, Your slave I am.

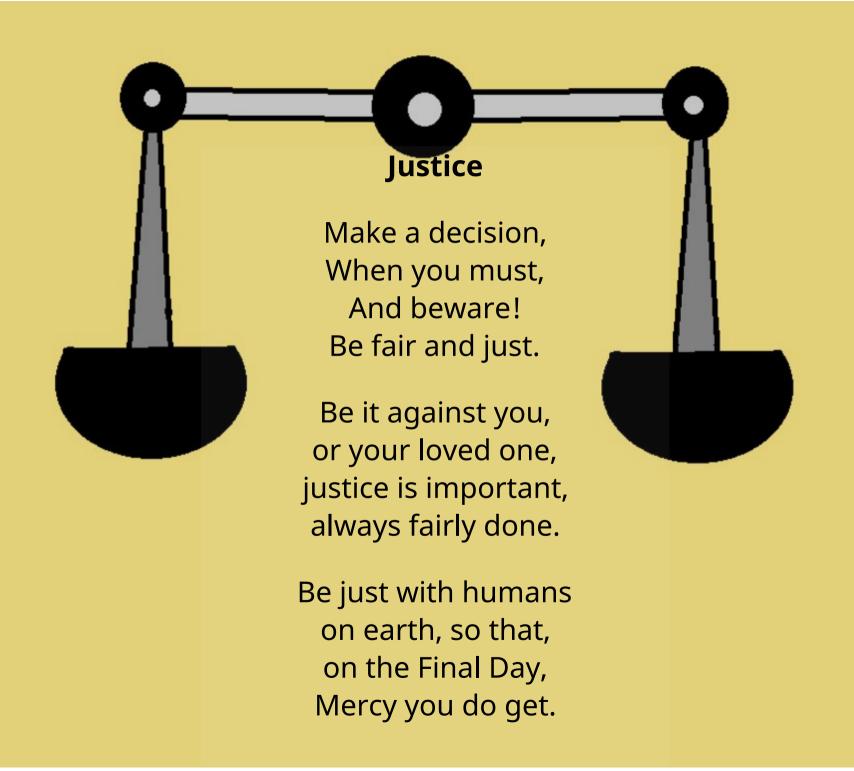
Invocation for Parents

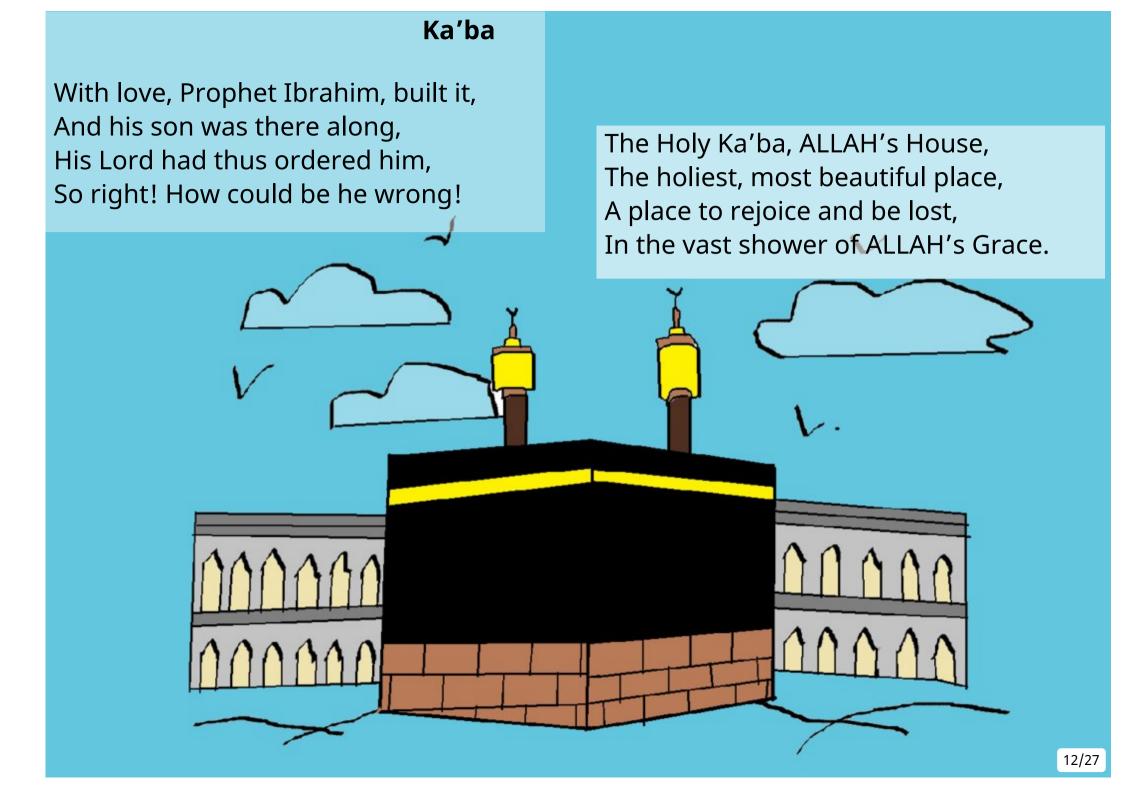
Oh, Allah! Bless my parents, Who took such care of me, Help me serve them with, All that is there of me,

Grant them a home in Jannah, And save them from the Fire, Shower your mercy on them, Fulfill all their dreams,

Keep them in Your Mercy, Peace on them do shower, Love them, O Dear Allah! Love my mother and father.



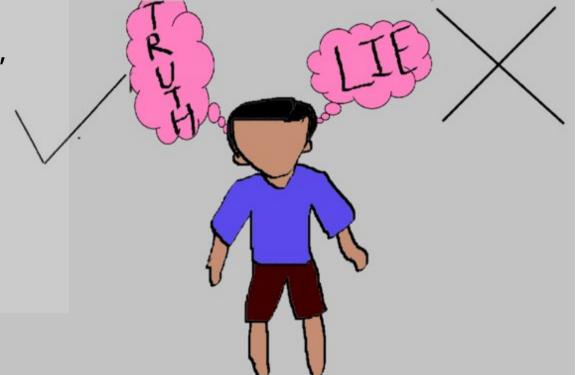




Lies

Truth, I agree, is tough to speak, But truth will lead us to Heaven, And lies, however easy be, Make our characters uneven,

The angels curse the one who lies, Allah's punishment waits too, If we fear God, then stop lying, For He loves only the true, Why take his anger on us, For worldly benefits a few.



TO WAY

Muhammad (Peace be upon him)

Muhammad, my prophet, Muhammad, my beloved, Sent as a mercy to all mankind,

Muhammad, the graced, Muhammad, the blessed, A human like him we can't find,

Muhammad, the ordered, Muhammad, the honored, Of the prophets, he was the last,

Muhammad, the brave, Muhammad, ALLAH's slave, The Great, whose glory is vast. Allah is holy and pure, Hence, he loves the pure, Neatness is part of religion, Of illness it is a cure,

The neat remain healthy,
The unclean get sick always,
Sick days mean bad ones, while,
The tidy have better days,

A bath a day keeps you fresh, Clean clothes do beautify, Speak nice to all people, On the streets who pass by,

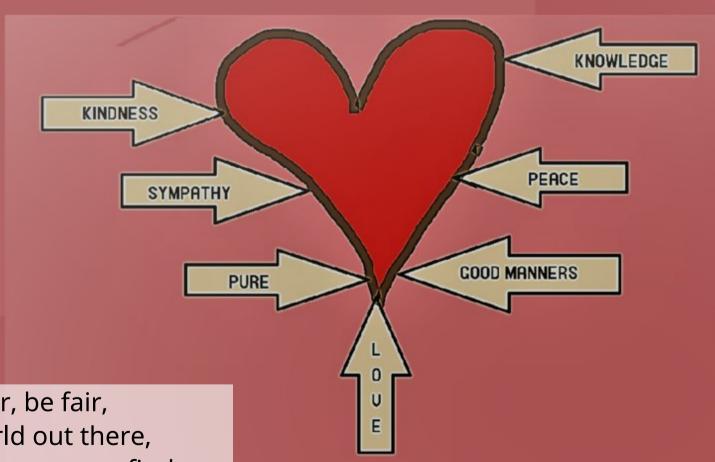
Keep clean your body and soul, Keep clean your thoughts and mind, So you loved and liked, By friends and people you find.

Neatness



Open your hearts, open your mind, Soften your tongue, be calm and kind, Let knowledge fill all your sense, Make peace your biggest defense,

Open Your Hearts



Kill all doubts, be clear, be fair, Think free for the world out there, Drink all wisdom, wherever you find, Open your hearts, open your mind.

Peace

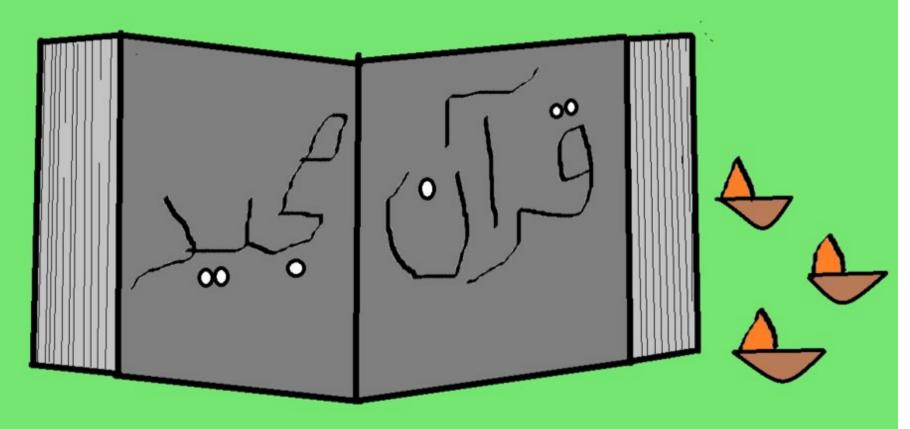
Peace is my religion,
My God is the source of peace,
It can destroy hatred,
Such is the force of peace,

Peace is a blessing, For a bowed head that prays, Peace is a shade, When you walk on God's ways,

> Peace is a prayer, For this earth, our family, Peace leads to joys, This is the truth, verily.



Quran



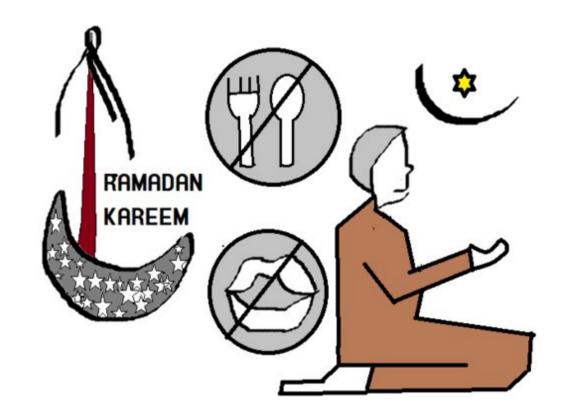
Each word a gem of wisdom, Each verse full of fragrance, The relief from all pains, A shield from ills, a fence,

The Noble Quran, Word of God, Brought down on the Prophet's breast, Guidance for the faithful, A warning for the rest.

Ramadan

The moon has come up, Holy Ramadan is here, A reminder of His Grace, A chance to be Allah's dear,

The most blessed month of all, For forgiveness and to repent, These days to beg Mercy, When the Holy Quran was sent.

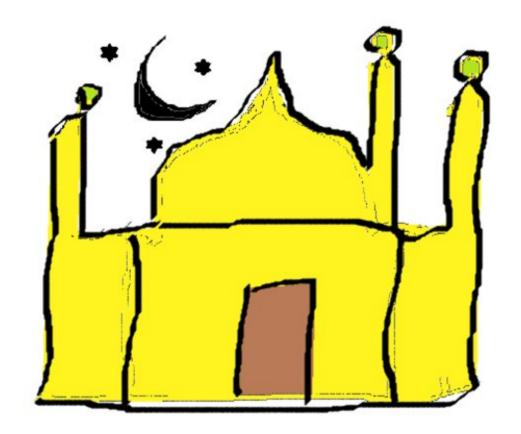


Salaah

No other deed can be better, Than Allah's remembrance, Our struggle be to please Him, That He may grant us a Glance,

The queen of all worshipping, Are the few rak'aats of Salaah, For it purifies the soul, Bringing us closer to Allah,

Five times each day to pray,
To bow humbly before Him,
To beg Allah's Love and Peace,
To ask forgiveness of Him.

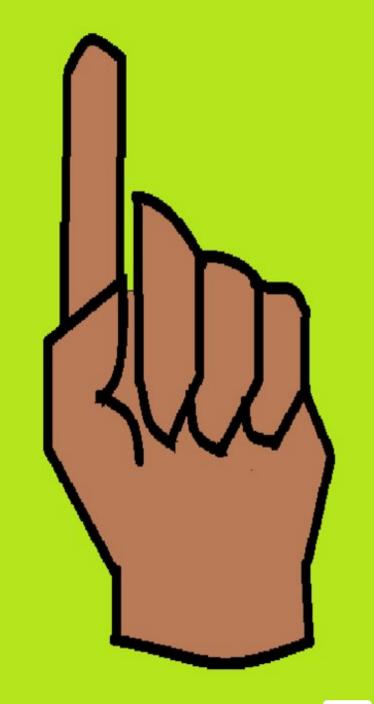


Taoheed

My Lord is the One and Only, The Almighty, most Merciful, The Owner of east and west, Creator of this earth beautiful,

In His Hand is my destiny,
He gives life and death,
He knows when I am in pain,
Hears my each and every breath,

In Him I believe and trust, Only His help I do ask, His Will controls all good, His Help fulfils all tasks.



Understand



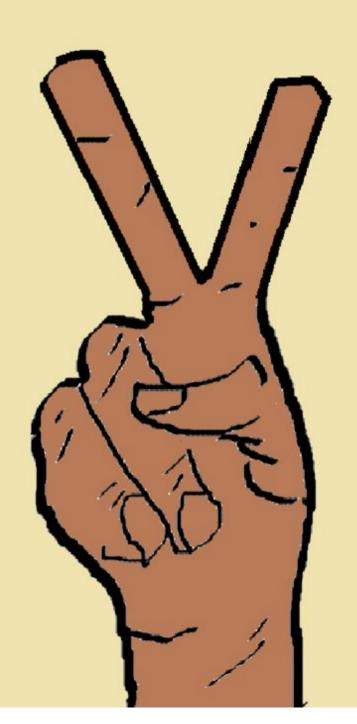
When your parents scold you, When you break and they mend, When they correct your wrongs, Don't argue. Understand,

When your friends fight,
Bad words to you they send,
Know that they will repay,
Be quiet. Understand,

When you borrow from others,
And they kindly do lend,
Be thankful, take care,
And return, Understand.

When your pockets are full, And you are free to spend, Father's hard-earned money, Be wise. Understand.





Victory

Walk the path of truth,
Be honest to yourself,
Listen to good things only,
To backbiting, be deaf,

Take the Name of Allah, Fear Him, love and obey, Fight against injustice, So successful you be may,

Following the way of the Prophet, Keeping your thoughts free, And faith in Allah's Mercy, Will lead us to victory.



eXtend

Extend your hand,
When your help is needed,
Extend your hand,
When sad eyes get beaded,

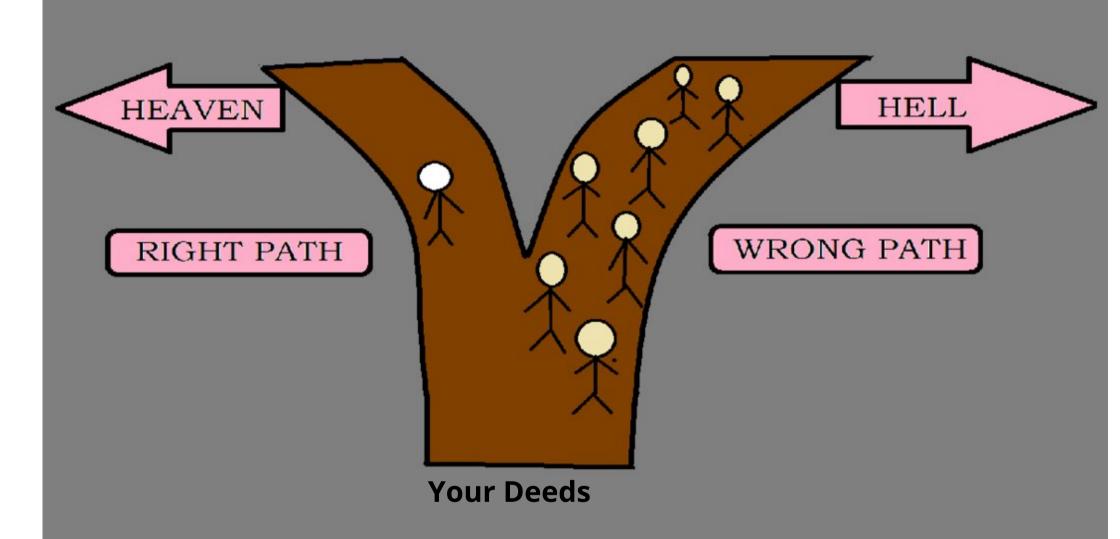


Extend your hand,
When someone is sad,
Extend your hand,
When other's time is bad,

Extend your hand,
To hold a needy arm,
Extend your hand,
To protect others from harm,

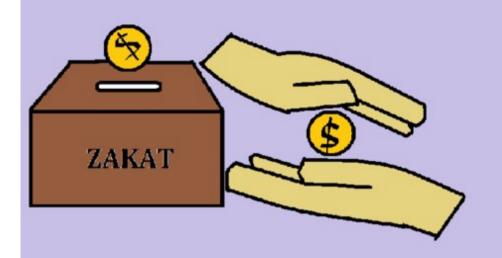
Extend your hand, And to ALLAH do pray, Extend your hand, If a Muslim you be may.





Good they be or bad, Done openly or in quiet, Your deeds are with Allah, Can't hide from His Sight,

Every single act is counted, And each will be repaid, Your deeds can lead to Hell, Or lead to Heaven's bed.



Zakaah

As the goldsmith puts gold, In the fire to purify, The same way does Zakaah, Clean what we sell and buy,

Zakaah is the right of the poor, That they have over the rich, Allah's orders these are, To fulfilled by us each,

May Allah bless all that we have, And increase us in good, May Zakaah be our way, To peace and brotherhood.



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