

NAMES OF ALLAH

Lessons:

Al-Wadud:

- Allah ﷻ is so loving that even though there are people who do not believe in Him or worship Him, He still feeds them and provides them with the many things they need to live a comfortable life.
All the time, Allah ﷻ shows His unlimited love to His creation.

Al-Muntaqim:

- Islam teaches us to control our anger, and be the better person by forgiving others.
- When Allah ﷻ punishes someone, it is because that person has done something really bad - even after Allah ﷻ had given him or her many chances.
- “The strong person is not the one who can throw another on the ground, but a strong person is the one who controls himself when he is angry”.

Al-Ghaffar:

- Allah ﷻ will forgive all your sins, even if they were to fill the whole world, if you repent sincerely to Him.
- A Muslim must try his best to avoid sinning.
- While seeking forgiveness, one must make the intention not to commit to that sin again.
- The Prophet ﷺ himself used to seek Allah’s forgiveness more than seventy times a day. By doing this, he has set an example for us to follow.
- The story of the man and killing 99-100 people shows that Allah ﷻ loves forgiveness and He loves to forgive.
- Another lesson you learn is that Allah ﷻ looks at the intentions of a person. If a person wants to change, then even the intention of wanting to change, is a blessing and mercy from Allah ﷻ, because Allah ﷻ wants to forgive, and have mercy on that person.
- No matter how sinful you are, always to turn to Allah ﷻ for forgiveness, and make a sincere intention to change, and you will find that Allah ﷻ will guide you and help you.

Al-‘Adl:

- Allah ﷻ treats people fairly; by rewarding them for good, and punishing for bad.
- Allah ﷻ is not unjust with anyone.
- Allah ﷻ has forbidden injustice on Himself, so we’re not allowed to be unjust to anyone all the more.
- Allah ﷻ will give everyone their rights.
- You’ll have to pay a person back on the Day of Judgement with your good deeds.
- Allah ﷻ orders everyone to be just and kind.

Ash-Shakur:

- Appreciate what we have.
- Always say Alhamdulillah for everything.
- To use what we have properly.
- To thank Allah ﷻ for allowing us to have it in the first place.
- We should always remember that everything comes from Allah ﷻ, and if He wishes, He could take it away from us whenever He wishes.

PROPHET IBRAHIM I

Lessons:

1) Today, we will also find people who choose to worship idols instead of Allah ﷻ. We must not harm, abuse or be rude to them in anyway. Instead, we should thank Allah ﷻ for giving us the knowledge of worshipping Him correctly and also pray that He guides everyone to the right path.

2) We should speak very kindly to our parents or elders even if they are wrong, just as Ibrahim A.S spoke to Azar, even though Azar did not listen to him and threatened to punish him.

3) Ibrahim A.S did not force anyone to listen to him, or to believe in what he was saying. He tried his best to explain the message of Allah ﷻ nicely and calmly, in a way that made sense to people. There is no force in Islam.

4) We should turn to Allah ﷻ whenever we face any difficulty or hardship. When Ibrahim A.S was thrown in the fire, he said, "Allah is enough for us and He is the best protector", and Allah ﷻ helped him.

Themes:

- 1) Guiding to the truth*
- 2) Ibrahim A.S's invitation to Azar (his father)*
- 3) Ibrahim A.S challenges his people*
- 4) Allah saves Ibrahim A.S from the fire*

MODEL WUDHU

Things to remember:

- ✓ Water is a gift from Allah ﷻ.
- ✓ We should not waste it either by leaving the taps running, or using more water than needed.
- ✓ It is also best to sit down and perform *Wudhu* to reduce water spillage.
- ✓ We should always leave the area clean and tidy for other people to use.
- ✓ It is recommended to face the Qiblah.
- ✓ It is also recommended to start from the right.
- ✓ Keep to the order mentioned.
- ✓ Whilst performing Wudhu, it is best to remain in the remembrance of Allah ﷻ.
- ✓ Avoid talking unnecessarily, as well as to others.

Fardh VS Sunnah Wudhu:

- ❖ There are 4 Fardh acts of Wudhu.
- ❖ However, it is better and more rewarding to perform the Sunnah method of Wudhu.
- ❖ The 4 Fardh acts of Wudhu are:
 - 1) To **wash** your face
 - 2) To **wash** the arms up to and including the elbows
 - 3) To **wipe** the head
 - 4) To **wash** the feet up to and including the ankles

PROPHET IBRAHIM 2

Lessons:

1) When people make sacrifices to make things better, Allah ﷻ rewards them. When Ibrahim A.S left his people, Allah ﷻ rewarded him with two wonderful children who later became great prophets.
Giving things up for Allah ﷻ always leads to blessings and happiness.

2) Allah ﷻ gave Ibrahim children when he had become an old man.

This teaches us that we should always be patient, and not be hasty to receive a reward straight away, or to have our Du'a answered straight away.

Good things come to those who are patient.

3) Ibrahim A.S used to make Du'a to Allah ﷻ using beautiful words.

We can learn these words and use them when we make Du'a to Allah ﷻ.

4) In hardship and trouble, we should always trust and turn to Allah ﷻ.

5) Though Hajar R.A was not a prophet, she was a very close person to Allah ﷻ.

She is one of the many women to whom Allah ﷻ had showered His extraordinary powers.

Both men and women can equally become close friends of Allah ﷻ.

Themes:

- 1) Ibrahim A.S debates the king
- 2) Allah blesses Ibrahim A.S with a son
- 3) Alone in the desert of Makkah
- 4) In search of help
- 5) A blessed well