

THE RIGHTS OF NABĪ ﷺ

1. ĪMĀN (BELIEVING) IN NABĪ ﷺ

"So, believe in Allāh and His unlettered Messenger who believes in Allāh and in His words, and follow him, so that you may be rightly guided" (Qur'ān, 7:158)

2. FOLLOWING THE SUNNAH OF NABĪ ﷺ

Nabī ﷺ said: "Every one of my Ummah will enter Jannah except those who refuse". The Sahābah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ said: O Nabī of Allāh, who is the one who refuses? Nabī ﷺ said: "He who obeys me will enter Jannah and he who disobeys me has, in fact, refused." (Bukhāri, 7280)

3. LOVE FOR NABĪ ﷺ

Nabī ﷺ said: "None of you truly believes until I am more beloved to him than his children, his parents and the entire mankind." (Muslim, 44)

4. ACTING IN GOOD FAITH TOWARDS NABĪ ﷺ

Nabī ﷺ said: "Dīn is to act in good faith." We asked, "Towards whom?" Nabī ﷺ replied: (To act in good faith) to Allāh, His books, His messengers and towards the leaders of the Muslims and their general masses." (Muslim, 55)

Note: Acting in good faith towards Nabī ﷺ includes defending the Dīn he brought against its detractors and combatting those who try to attack the Muslims or Islām physically or ideologically.

5. RESPECT FOR NABĪ ﷺ

"Indeed, we have sent you (O Nabī ﷺ) as a witness, a bearer of glad tidings and as a warner, so that you, (O people), may believe in Allāh and His Messenger, and support and revere him..." (Qur'ān, 48:9)

6. RESPECTING THE AHĀDĪTH OF NABĪ ﷺ

Mutarrif رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ relates that whenever anyone came to learn Ahādīth from Imām Mālik رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ, he would take a bath, apply

fragrance (itr) and wear new clothes. He would then put on his shawl and turban and drape a scarf over his head. A raised platform would then be placed for him. He would then come out and sit on the platform with great humility. He would also perfume the air by burning 'Oud, until he completed narrating the Ahādīth. (As-Shifā, 291)

7. RESPECT AND LOVE FOR THE AHLUL BAYT (FAMILY OF NABĪ ﷺ)

Nabī ﷺ said three times: "I caution you (to fear) Allāh with regard to my family members." (Muslim, 2408)

8. RESPECT AND LOVE FOR THE SAHĀBAH رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ

Nabī ﷺ said: "Fear Allāh, Fear Allāh regarding my Sahābah. Do not make them a target of your abuse after me! Whoever loves them, loves them because of his love for me. Whoever hates them, hates them due to his enmity for me..." (Tirmidhī, 3862)

9. SENDING DURŪD UPON NABĪ ﷺ

Surely, Allāh and His angels send blessings upon the Nabī. O you who believe, send Salawāt upon him, and send Salām to him in abundance. (Qur'ān, 33:56)

10. VISITING THE BLESSED RESTING PLACE OF NABĪ ﷺ

Nabī ﷺ said: "He who visits me in Madinah, hoping for reward from Allāh Ta'ālā, will be under my guardianship and I will intercede for him on the day of Qiyāmah." (Al-Jāmi'us Saghīr, 8716)

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