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MORALITY AND CHASTITY

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Morality and Chastity

Morality is a universal system that refers to the set of standards that enable people to live with dignity, respect and honour. Morality in Islam is defined by Qur’anic codes of chastity, lineage, dignity of life and care and compassion.

Chastity is central to morality and it commands dressing modestly, guarding private parts, avoiding promiscuous thoughts, restraint of carnal desires, avoiding speech and actions that lead to promiscuity and protecting oneself from fornication and adultery. The laws of chastity serve to protect individuals and society from moral, psychological and social breakdown.

The Eternal Symbol of Chastity

The Qur’an heralds Maryam bint Imran عليها السلام as the eternal symbol of purity and chastity, showing the special care Allah has granted her even before birth,

“And when the angels said, “O Maryam! Surely Allah has selected you, purified you, and chosen you over all women of the world. O Maryam! Be devout to your Lord, prostrate yourself and bow along with those who bow down.”

(Surah Aal Imran 3 – Verses 42 & 43)

Maryam عليها السلام represents the peak of human chastity, as Allah defended her against the false accusations of the Bani Israeel, declaring her purity and dignity, and making her son a living miracle of the absolute power of Allah.

“And (the example of) Mary, the daughter of Imran, who guarded her chastity, so We blew into (her garment) through Our angel, and she believed in the words of her Lord and His scriptures and was of the devoutly obedient.” (Surah At-Tabreem 66 – Verse 12)

Societal Benefits of Chastity

“Tell the believing men to lower some of their gaze and guard their private parts. That is purer for them. Indeed, Allah knows what they do.” (Surah An Nur 24 – Verse 30)

Chastity in Islam creates psychological and physical balance for individuals, granting peace and stability through lawful marriage that guard the gaze from forbidden desires and the body from immorality.

At the societal level, chastity builds a strong, cohesive nation, preserving lineage and preventing disintegration. Thus, Islam firmly rejects all forms of promiscuous behaviour and unlawful cohabitation.

Chastity brings Success

Chastity calls for control over sexual desires and to enjoy them only within the ordained limits.

“Successful indeed are the believers, who are humble in their prayers, those who avoid idle talk; those who pay alms-tax, those who guard their chastity, except with their wives or those in their possession, for then they are free from blame...”

(Surah AlMuminun 23 – Verses 1 to 7)

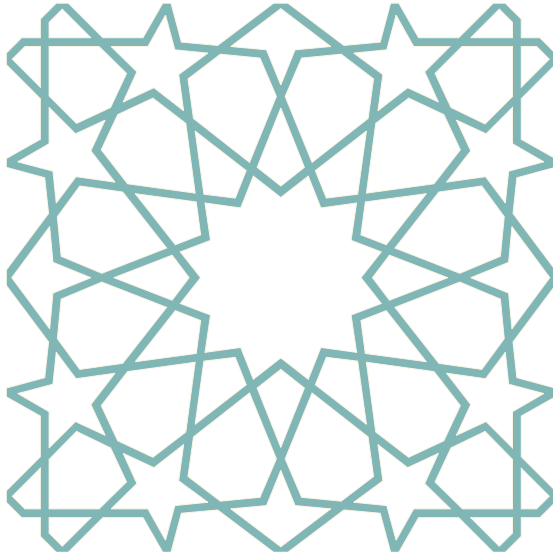
Immorality is Destructive

Immoral behaviour, adultery, fornication, lewdness and obscenity are acts that erode and destroy the chastity. Islam prohibits and condemns unlawful acts of intimacy and cohabitation in the strongest possible terms. Strong penalties are sanctioned for those found guilty.

Allah Ta'ala has kept boundaries for males and females within which to live and interact. When these parameters are compromised, then it leads one into the territory of sin and vice – the trap of shaytan. Hence every person must guard that which Allah Ta'ala has deemed sacred.

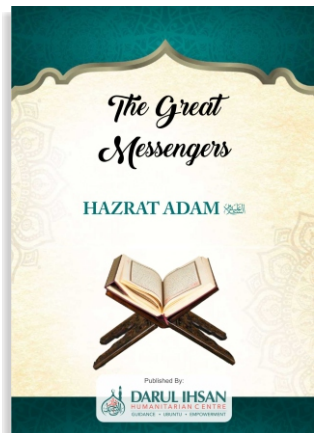
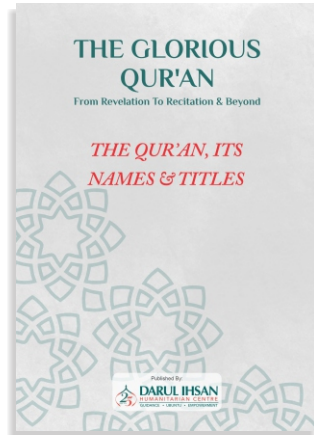
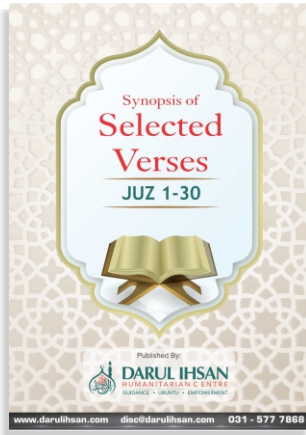
Allah Ta'ala says: *"And do not go near Zina. Verily it is a shameful and evil path."*

(Surah Al Isra - Verse 32)



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