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Hadeeth
Lessons



A TRUE MUSLIM WILL NOT HURT OTHERS

A sign of a true Muslim is he will not hurt others through words or actions.

قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ

الْمُسْلِمُ مَنْ سَلِمَ الْمُسْلِمُونَ مِنْ لِسَانِهِ وَيَدِهِ

Our Beloved Nabi ﷺ said, “The (perfect) Muslim is he from whose tongue and hand other Muslims are safe.”

Sahih al-Bukhari & Sahih Muslim

Explanation

We all come across occasions where we have the choice to either hurt someone or be nice to them. Some choose the path of kindness while other choose the path of cruelty.

In this hadeeth we learn that a true Muslim, will always choose the path of kindness.

A few lessons we learn from this hadeeth are:

- 1) After accepting Islam there are two types of Muslims, some are those who are Muslim by name while others are those who are Muslim by practice. It is the second that have a special position in the eyes of Allah Ta'ala and will find an easy path to Jannah in the hereafter
- 2) There are two ways to hurt someone; one is physically and the other is emotionally through words and actions. In this hadeeth both these forms of cruelty have been prohibited; ‘hands’ refers to the physical form which includes punching, kicking, pushing etc. and ‘tongue’ refers to the emotional form which includes speaking ill of someone, being rude, swearing, making fun of someone, or even making gestures to someone.
- 3) Islam is a religion of kindness, not cruelty. The more a person practices Islam, the kinder, more loving and caring he/she will become.

So, the next time we think of hurting someone by saying something that will upset them, be it calling names, or making fun of each other, or by using physical force such as punching or kicking because we want to look strong, think this is not the way of a Muslim.