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(1) Unnecessary talks:

Sometimes too much talk creates problems. We should avoid talking too much because Allah says in the holy Qurân: "So many of their advices remain unadvisable and illogical but only the word that expresses for alms or for good deed or for a compromise among people (Qur'an, 4:114)

Keep these words in mind that Allah's angels (Kiraman al Katibeen) listen to you, count your words and note them. Allah specifies the same like this: "One angel is on the right shoulder and the other is on the left, one (a believer) does not talk too much because of the presence of the angels who are always ready to guide towards the right direction

Therefore, make your descriptions in a short way in order to fulfill the target to which you are talking on.

(2) Recitation and Translation:

Recite the holy Qurân as much as possible along with reading its commentary with interpretations. Attempt to be habitual of reciting some verses of the Qurân everyday, and preserve whatever the portions of the Qurân you can preserve in your heart so that you achieve blissful thawab (virtues) at large scales on the Day of Judgment (Resurrection).

Abdullah bin Omar (May Allah be pleased with him) reported that Allah's Messenger (Pbuh) said: "A memorizer of the Qurân will be said to keep on reciting and climbing on to the upper direction. Continue on your recitation as you recited in the world, and the place, where you complete your ending verse, is your destination.

(Sahih Sunan Tirmidhi, Hadith No. 2329)

(3) Hearing-Words (from Here and There):

To raise topics of discussions from each of the hearing words that you have only heard here and there of course, is reverse to Islamic teachings. In the cultivation of such habits or in doing so, there exists a doubt of the inclusion of lies that Islam prohibits.

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) specified that Allah's Messenger (Pbuh) said: "It is only enough to find out about the reality of one's lies, that when he goes to describe something, he describes the same on the basis of hearing words.

(Sahih Muslim, Hadith No. 5)

(4) False Glories:

Do not be the victim of achieving false glories together with boasting of the things that are not with you. It of course is bad cultivation on barren land and it indicates your false pride. It also brings out the facts of your superiority complex without base. Islam, a true religion to lead to the goal of success, prohibits its followers to be arrogant like this. Ummul Momineen (The mother of believers) Ayesha (May Allah be pleased with her) says that a woman asked the Prophet:

"I say that my husband has given me very much, while in fact he has not given me anything out of it." (Hadith)

In response to such a question, the Prophet said:

"The one who expresses contentment on the things which were not given to him is paralleled to one who has disguised him in the clad of lies." (Hadith)

(5) Glorifying Allah's name:

Fruitful positive impacts appear in a Muslim's various aspects e.g. spiritual, psychological, individual, social etc, if he keeps on chanting or glorifying the names of almighty Allah

Therefore, we should try to glorify the names of Allah in all conditions. Allah praises His obedient, honest and sincere slaves in the holy Qurân as such: **{{Those who glorify Allah in all conditions whether in standing, sitting and taking a turn to right or left.}}**

Abdullah bin Basr (May Allah be pleased with him) reported that a man came to Prophet and said, "O' the Messenger of Allah, there are abundance of the doctrines of Islam, tell me such a thing which I may adopt for my salvation." At this, Allah's Messenger Prophet Mohammed (Pbuh) responded: "Engage your tongue always in glorifying (commemoration) the name of Allah." (Hadith)

(6) Imitations and Interruptions:

Avoid interrupting during others' talks, imitating others' styles and displaying hatred towards them. Be habitual of listening to others in attentive manners and be in the process of responding them in a good way. Islam takes stern notice on this matter prohibiting its followers not to adopt such behaviors with the persons whom you deal with. Islam gives the lesson of fraternity and declares ill attitudes reverse to humanity. Allah, the creator of the world, says in the holy Qurân:

{O' believers, don't cut cracking jokes to one another (from people of one to another community) because they might be better, and women should also not enjoy cutting jokes with other women because they might be better in comparison to them.} (Qur'an, 49:11)

According to the traditions of the Prophet Mohammed (Pbuh):

{Muslim is brother of Muslim; he neither oppresses him nor insults him and never regards him as inferior to him. In reverse, if a man claiming to be a Muslim insults his another Muslim brother, it will be only enough for him to be a man of evil nature.} (Sahih Muslim, Hadith No. 2564)

(7) First think and then speak:

Try your best to think of your words of expression and then start speaking. This positive way of talking will prove to be fruitful. While speaking on, also try to use good words and the words of welfare. Abstain using bad or abusive words because such words are reverse to the luminous teachings of Islam and they incur Allah's curses and angers. The words that we express play a very important role in the career of life, because they hold great responsibilities. The evil words or expressions, which we find quite reverse to Islamic teachings, become harmful in both this world and the hereafter (Life after death). So far, innumerable peoples have been pushed into the dark ditches of Hell by these words.

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported that Allah's Messenger (Pbuh) said: {{A slave expresses a word that holds the pleasure of Allah and also he doesn't know when he expressed such a word but Allah ranks him higher due to the very word he had expressed. On the other hand, a slave expresses the words that shows Allah's displeasure, and does not think when he expressed such a word but because of this very word he reaches the hell.}} (Hadith)