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Sayyidnaa Gibraeel عليه السلام came to the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ and said, “O Muhammad, live as you wish, for you will die. Work as you wish, for you will be repaid accordingly. Love whomever you wish, for you will be separated. Know that the nobility of the believer is in prayer at night and his honour is in his independence of the people.” (Al-Mustadrak)

1. LIVE AS YOU WISH, FOR YOU WILL DIE (3:185) - INEVITABILITY

Who are you living for? What are you living for? How are you living? How long will you live? Every breath you take, brings you closer to your death – back to Allah ﷻ – rush to good deeds.

O you who have believed, persevere, endure, remain stationed & fear Allah that you may be successful. You are labouring toward your Lord with exertion until you meet Him. (3:200) - (84:6)

2024 has passed, how much closer did you come to Allah ﷻ, His Qur'an, His Messenger, Sunnah Deen? Invest your life & time in the hereafter, not just Dunya. Be wise & intelligent, realise you came with nothing physically & will return with nothing, except good deeds.

Live each day as if your last, pray each prayer as if your last, keep a clean heart & sincere actions. Remember death everyday, that is true life, do not be heedless, foolish or distracted.

2. WORK AS YOU WISH, FOR YOU WILL BE PAID ACCORDINGLY (28:77) - ACCOUNTABILITY

Do your actions please Allah ﷻ, bring you closer to Him, help or harm you in the hereafter? Do not let the Dunya distract you, be mindful. Do not let your Nafs tempt you to take Haram shortcuts in life. Be ambitious, be successful, but Live Halal, Live Simple, Live Content.

Whoever does good deeds, male or female & is a Muslim, We shall sustain him an excellent life & shall certainly pay them a recompense which befits the best of their deeds. (16:97)

Hasten to do good deeds before tribulations come like pieces of a dark night, when a man will be a believer in the morning but Kafir by evening, selling his Deen for worldly gain. (Muslim)

3. LOVE WHOMEVER YOU WISH, FOR YOU WILL BE SEPARATED (21:34) - RELATIONSHIPS

An everlasting relationship and true love is not with people, or any other object of creation, but with Allah ﷻ. People come and go but Allah ﷻ forever remains – He is Al-Baqi Al-Wadud.

Love for Allah's Sake, Express Gratitude, Resolve Conflicts - CHECK YOUR RELATIONSHIPS.

Indeed, those who believed & did good deeds, The Most Gracious will appoint love for them.

And those who believed and whose descendants followed them in faith - We will join with them their descendants. And whoever obeys Allah and the Messenger - those will be with the ones upon whom Allah has bestowed favour of the prophets, the steadfast affirmers of truth, the martyrs and the righteous. And excellent are those as companions. (19:96) (52:21) (4:69)

Who holds the strings of your heart & makes you do things?

Who resides in your heart? Who drives your goals, motivation & actions?

How much time do you spend with Allah ﷻ in comparison to your family, friends & Dunya? All love is limited, conditional & fleeting, in comparison to the love of Allah & His Messenger.

4. KNOW THAT THE NOBILITY OF THE BELIEVER IS IN PRAYER AT NIGHT (17:79) - SOLITUDE

Night prayer is the habit of the righteous, the trade of the believers, the craft of the winners and the nobles. Slow down, get clarity & rejuvenate your soul at night. True servants become vacant for their Lord, direct their selves to their Creator and Originator, to complain to Him their affairs and ask Him of His favours.

They arise from [their] beds; they supplicate their Lord in fear and aspiration (32:16)

Allah he descends in the lowest part of the heaven in the last one-third of the night and He says “Is there anyone who wants to supplicate to Me and I will answer it, is there anyone who wants to ask from Me and I will give it to him, is there anyone who wants to seek forgiveness and I will forgive him, is there anyone who wants to invest a good deed with Me for I am not unjust and not wasteful.” And it continues till the break of dawn. (Bukhari)

5. HIS HONOUR IS IN HIS INDEPENDENCE OF THE PEOPLE (9:129) - VALIDATION

Allah ﷻ is our Wakeel, Guardian, Disposer of Affairs, Our Power of Attorney. Do your physical best, then place all your reliance, trust & hope in Allah ﷻ for He is on your side.

And put your trust and reliance in Allah, and sufficient is Allah as a Trustee. (33:3)

And trust and rely on the Living One (Allah), Who will never die, and celebrate His praises and thanks. And Sufficient is He to be acquainted with the sins of His slaves. (25:58)

Your actions & choices are limited, when you rely on yourself or humans. Change your outlook and rely on the Unlimited and Unrestricted Lord of all the worlds who controls everything.

If Allah helps you, none can overcome you. If He forsakes you, who is there, after that, that can help you? In Allah, then, let believers put their trust. (3:160)

When you have decided, put your trust in Allah. He loves those who trust in Him (3:159)

Say: 'Nothing will happen to us except what Allah has decreed for us. He is our protector.' And on Allah let the believers put their trust. (9:51)

Advice for 2025, Live, Work, Love, Connect, Believe not just in yourself or Dunya but Allah. Change your approach and mindset to life and realise the 5 Realities of this Hadith. Focus & Act on these 5 pieces of Advice to make 2025 and your life count before it's too late.

1. Live As You Wish – LIVE FOR ALLAH & PREPARE FOR YOUR DEATH

2. Work As You Wish – WORK FOR ALLAH & BE ACCOUNTABLE

3. Love Whomever You Wish – FALL IN LOVE WITH ALLAH

4. Know That The Nobility Of The Believer Is In Prayer At Night – RSVP TO ALLAH

5. His Honour Is In His Independence Of The People – MAKE ALLAH YOUR CENTER