

MSA Meeting # 9: Purification of the Heart

Announcements [7 minutes] (4:00-4:07) [Leave time for 5-7 minute extra window]

- Hoodie Stuffs
- Eid Party Food Stuff
- MIST basketball game / Pep Rally
- Food Fair on December 21st
- MSA / Nasha Basketball game

Fears Activity (4:07-4:12)

Video & Introduction to Topic

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BJ-BQaVHuH4&feature=related> (backbiting video) [1 minute]

MSA gathers in room 214 (3:50-4:00)

(4:12-4:13)

Cursing (Alvi) (4:13-4:18)

- Recap to last week's argument session
 - Why it doesn't help in a discussion
 - Why do people resort to it?
- Where it's present
 - Media (television, books)
 - People (friends)
 - Music
- Benefits of stopping
 - Better character
 - People will take you more seriously
 - Don't have to worry about slipping out anything
 - 20 day habit breaker

Jealousy (Muaz) (4:18-4:23)

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Lying (Shahara) (4:23-4:28)

- Value of honesty in Islam

'Abd-Allaah ibn Mas'ood (may Allaah be pleased with him) said: "The Messenger of Allaah (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said: 'You must be truthful, for truthfulness leads to righteousness and righteousness leads to Paradise. A man will keep speaking the truth and striving to speak the truth until he will be recorded with Allaah as a *siddeeq* (speaker of the truth). Beware of telling lies, for lying leads to immorality and immorality leads to Hellfire. A man will keep telling lies and striving to tell lies until he is recorded with Allaah as a liar.'" (Reported by Muslim, 4721)

“O you who believe! Be afraid of Allaah, and be with those who are true (in word and deeds).”
[al-Tawbah 9:119]

"He does not utter a single word without a watcher by him, pen in hand." (50:18)

"And whether you speak softly or proclaim it aloud; He indeed knows what lies within the hearts." [Qur'an 67:13]

- Exceptions for lying

Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said: "He is not a liar who **reconciles between people** and conveys something good or says something good." (Reported by al-Bukhaari, 2495).

- Lying for the purpose of joking

Backbiting (Samad) (4:28-4:33)

http://qa.sunnipath.com/issue_view.asp?HD=1&ID=2683&CATE=37

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/24704473@N07/4008159179/>

O you who believe! Avoid much suspicion, in deeds some suspicions are sins. And spy not neither backbite one another. Would one of you like to eat the flesh of his dead brother? You would hate it (so hate backbiting). And fear God, verily, God is the one who accepts repentance, Most Merciful. (49: 12)

backbiting is haram

And why did you not, when you heard it, say? "It is not right of us to speak of this: Glory to God, this is a most serious slander" (24:16)

don't just stand there when you hear someone backbiting

"I asked the Messenger of God ﷺ: Who is the best Muslim? The Messenger of God ﷺ replied, "He is the one from whom Muslims are safe from the evil of his tongue and hands." (Muslim)

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said : *"Who protects his tongue from unlawful utterances and his private parts from illegal sexual intercourse, I shall guarantee him entrance into Paradise."* (Bukhari and Muslim)

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Prophet (PBUH) said, *"He who believes in Allah and the Last Day must either speak good or remain silent."*

[Muslim].

Abu Hurairah (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah (PBUH) said: *"The blood, honour and property of a Muslim is inviolable for another Muslim."*

[Muslim].

But there is a hadith that says if you describe someone as dark or short (while not trying to be mean) it's not haram.

Hypocrisy (Tania) (4:33-4:38)

"Whoever has the following four characteristics will be a pure hypocrite; and

whoever has one of these four characteristics will have one characteristic of hypocrisy unless and until he gives it up; whenever he is entrusted he betrays, whenever he speaks he tells a lie, whenever he makes a covenant he proves treacherous, and whenever he quarrels he behaves in a very imprudent, evil and insulting manner." [Saheeh al-Bukharee]