



The Basic Ideas of Marriage in Islam

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أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ: " وَمِنْ آيَاتِهِ أَنْ خَلَقَ لَكُمْ مِنْ أَنْفُسِكُمْ أَزْوَاجًا لِتَسْكُنُوا إِلَيْهَا وَجَعَلَ بَيْنَكُمْ مَوَدَّةً
وَرَحْمَةً إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَآيَاتٍ لِقَوْمٍ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ " صدق الله العظيم

Allah says in Chapter 30 Verse 21:

And of His signs is that He created for you from yourselves mates that you may find tranquility in them; and He placed between you affection and mercy. Indeed in that are signs for people who give thoughts.

And the prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said, "O young generation, the one who can get married should do so. It is better for you to lower your sight and have the protection from adultery. And he who can't should fast, as it is helping you to be away from making sins."

Marriage in Islam is compulsory for those who can do it, and it is allowed and preferred to pay Zakat (charity) for helping young generation to get married.

There are rules for marriage in Islam, and there are duties as well. Some duties should be done by the husband and others by the wife.

Both male and female should have the intention in marriage that it is forever rather than only for a fixed period of time.

Both male and female should have the intention that this marriage is under the rules of Allah and the Sunnah of the prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him).

Both male and female should have the intention that this marriage is for building a perfect Muslim family to make the Islamic society much better and higher educated.

Both male and female should have the intention that this marriage is to protect ourselves from making sins or committing adultery.

Both male and female should have the intention that this marriage is one of the steps to meet Allah on judgment day and gain His paradise.

As a Muslim, the husband should know that his wife is the mother of his kids, the one who will make the new generations better, the one who will build the real society, and the one who has the power to bear the pain during pregnancy and delivering kids. Therefore, she deserves to



be respected; and no matter how much the husband offers or supports her, it is still not enough to pay back what she has been suffering.

The wife is the one who offers her body totally to her husband, as well as her time, her heart, her love, her care, her energy, and her sincerity.

She is happy when her husband is happy, worried when he is unwell, and patient even when he is angry. So, isn't it important for the husband to do his best to make her happy?

The prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said, "Generous men are those who are generous toward females; and the mean one is the one who humiliates females."

As a Muslim wife, she should remember that her husband is one of the ways for her to go to paradise. If he is bad and she accepts his bad temper or bad behaviors, she may go to paradise for this reason. If he is a good person, bringing happiness to him will also lead her to paradise. The prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said, "The woman who prays the compulsory, fasts Ramadan and obeys her husband will go to paradise."

Finally, any couple could be a perfect match if they follow *Quran* and *Hadith*, which is not difficult as long as we believe that *Quran* is from Āllah and *Hadith* is from the prophet and messenger of Āllah.