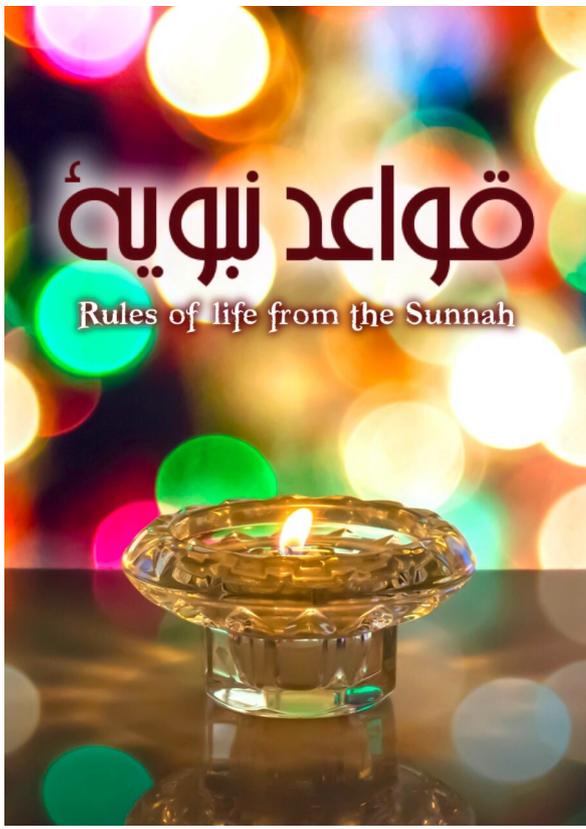


# Rules for Life from the Sunnah

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القاعدة السادسة عشرة



الظلم ظلمات يوم القيامة  
Oppression will be a darkness on the Day of Resurrection  
صحيح البخاري ، حديث #2447

Tyranny is darkness, it will never bring a person forward. People think that using their authority to oppress is the way of advancement, but actually it is darkness.

The Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم said :  
Allah, the Exalted and Glorious, said:  
يَا عِبَادِي إِنِّي حَرَمْتُ الظُّلْمَ  
عَلَىٰ نَفْسِي وَجَعَلْتُهُ بَيْنَكُمْ  
مُحَرَّمًا فَلَا تَظَالَمُوا

My servants, I have made oppression unlawful for Me and unlawful for you, so do not commit oppression against one another  
صحيح مسلم ، حديث # 2577a

Allah has emphasized the negativity of sins in the Qura'an. There is no good in sins, not even a tiny percentage. This is why Allah has made it haram upon Himself.

Tyranny is a sickness of the heart. All the legislations agree upon its negativity.

There must be no oppression even to

animals. The human being is المكلف, responsible and answerable for his actions, while animals are غير مكلف, will have no accounting. But a creature which is غير مكلف can take a creature who is مكلف into the hellfire, if it is mistreated and oppressed. This also includes luring them by pretending to feed them, while you have no intention to; this is cheating. Though they are غير العاقلين, they don't have intellect, you still can't misbehave with them.

If oppression to an animal is such a grave crime, what about tyranny and oppression to a human being? What about oppressing your brother or

- 1 الظلم داء الذي ابدى القرآن فيه و اعاد
- 2 الله تعالى حرّم الظلم على نفسه
- 3 اتفقت الفطر و الشرائع على مقتته
- 4 حرم الله ليس فقط مع الانسان بل حتى مع الحيوان
- 5 صور ظلم الناس
  - \* يأكلون اموال اليتامى ظلما
  - \* السطو على الاراضي
  - \* بالضرب و الشتم و التعدي
- 6 هذه القاعدة لا تستثنى احدا
- 7 و يعظم الوعيد لمن استغل قوته او مكانته او سلطته في ظلم العباد
- 8 ظلم العباد اسرع موجبات الهلاك و الخراب للامم
- 9 اعظم الظلم الشرك بالله الكفر المعاصي
- 10 انواع الظلم
  - ظلم نفسه
  - ظلم غيره
  - الشرك الكفر المعاصي
  - كل المسلم على المسلم حرام دمه و ماله و عرضه
- 11 ما موقف الانسان من الظلم ؟
- 12 انصر اخاك ظالما او مظلوما تمنعه من ظلمه
- 13 الظالم مظلوم في نفسه
- 14 محافظة الصديق و الاهتمام به لايجوز ترك المسلم يكافح وحده

sister in Islam? What about your parents and siblings, your offspring and spouses? Most of the time, people are heedless to this, and don't give it importance. But this is not a simple matter, it is dangerous.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَأْكُلُونَ أَمْوَالَ الْيَتَامَىٰ ظُلْمًا إِنَّمَا يَأْكُلُونَ فِي بُطُونِهِمْ نَارًا وَسَيَصْلَوْنَ سَعِيرًا

Indeed, those who devour the property of orphans unjustly are only consuming into their bellies fire. And they will be burned in a Blaze.

سورة النساء  
4:10

There are different ways in which people are oppressive and tyrannical.

■ Oppressing the orphan, cheating him, usurping his wealth. Allah equates this to consuming fire.

■ Usurping the land of someone unlawfully.

■ Beating, insulting, misbehaving, transgression regarding chastity. People do these actions uncaringly.

صلى الله عليه وسلم said :

لَا يَأْخُذُ أَحَدٌ شِبْرًا مِنَ الْأَرْضِ بِغَيْرِ حَقِّهِ إِلَّا طَوَّفَهُ اللَّهُ إِلَى سَبْعِ أَرْضِينَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ

One should not take a span of land without having legitimate right to it, otherwise Allah would make him wear (around his neck) seven earths on the Day of Resurrection.

صحيح مسلم، حديث #1611

The Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم said :

كل المسلم على المسلم حرام: دمه وعرضه وماله

The blood, honour and property of a Muslim is inviolable for another Muslim.

رواه مسلم ، رياض الصالحين ، كتاب # 18 ، حديث #1527

No one is allowed to oppress, not a father, or a mother, or an employee. There is no exception. This warning is stronger for someone who has power over another, and misuses his strength and position. No one who has the authority and power is allowed to be oppressive to anyone.

Disobedience to the parents is a part of oppression. Imagine parents who are afraid of their son, because he is so strong and powerful, and shouts at them.

Tyranny and oppression is the quickest way to destruction. There are many examples of this in history.

Shirk is the greatest injustice. Disbelief, sinning, disobedience, are all forms of tyranny. All this is oppression to the person himself, Allah is not affected by the actions of the creation.

وَلَا تَحْسِبَنَّ اللَّهُ غَافِلًا عَمَّا يَعْمَلُ الظَّالِمُونَ إِنَّمَا يُؤَخِّرُهُمْ لِيَوْمٍ تَشْخَصُ فِيهِ الْأَبْصَارُ

And never think that Allah is unaware of what the wrongdoers do. He only delays them for a Day when eyes will stare [in horror].

سورة إبراهيم  
14:42

The Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم said :

انصُرْ أَخَاكَ ظَالِمًا أَوْ مَظْلُومًا

Help your brother, whether he is an oppressor or he is an oppressed one

They said :

يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ هَذَا نَنْصُرُهُ مَظْلُومًا، فَكَيْفَ نَنْصُرُهُ ظَالِمًا؟

O Allah's Messenger ! It is all right to help him if he is oppressed, but how should we help him if he is an oppressor?

He said :

تَأْخُذُ فَوْقَ يَدَيْهِ

By preventing him from oppressing others.

صحيح البخاري ، حديث #2444

How should you face a tyrant? Stop his oppression if you can. The ظالم is actually مظلوم upon himself. He is oppressive because no one stops him. He needs someone to help him by stopping him. If you don't stop him, you are also a ظالم. You must advise him, point out his sin, support him. Help him overcome his self and the shaitan.

In Islam, we love everyone, and help each other. The advice is so important. This is why we must strive to be in the company of the righteous people. The good friend will help his friend by stopping him if he is oppressive.

A believer will not leave another believer alone to struggle, not even a tyrant. You must stand by him, support him, guide him. Don't leave anyone alone.



