

New Year's Resolution: Spreading Peace

NEW YEARS SLEEPOVER TARBIYYAT TOPIC

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- ▶ Tell me your thoughts...

What does Islam teach about peace?

- ▶ Does anyone know what Holy Prophet (saw) said about attaining peace?
 - ▶ “None of you has faith until he loves for his brother what he loves for himself.”
 - ▶ “Help your brother, whether he is an oppressor or he is oppressed...(help the oppressor) by preventing him from oppressing others.”

But what did he do to show this?

- ▶ Let me tell you a story about the Holy Prophet Muhammad (saw)...

Before Islam...

- ▶ There were 5 big tribes in Arabia in a city called Yathrib:
 - ▶ Banu Khazraj and Aus who were Arabs that believed in many gods.
 - ▶ Banu Qaynqa, Nadir, and Qurayza who were Jews.
- ▶ Yathrib would later be known as Medina.

Here comes the Prince of Peace

- ▶ Before Medina existed, they used to fight all the time.
- ▶ When the tribes heard the message of Islam, they invited Holy Prophet Muhammad (saw) to their city.
 - ▶ Holy Prophet Muhammad (saw) was told by Allah taalah to leave Mecca.
 - ▶ He lived in Mecca for 13 years being persecuted by the Meccans for preaching Islam.
 - ▶ Muslims never fought back.

The Medina Charter

- ▶ The Holy prophet Muhammad (saw) created a charter, in which he laid down rules for all of the tribes which consisted of Jews, people who worshipped many gods, and others.
 - ▶ Tribes lived by their own laws.
 - ▶ They helped each other from outside troublemakers.

A Model for Peace Created

- ▶ The tribes stopped fighting, and chose Prophet Muhammad (saw) to be their leader!
 - ▶ The tribes of Banu Khazraj and Aus became Muslim.
 - ▶ Different cultures and beliefs could live together in peace.
- ▶ The tribes had fought for hundreds of years, but Islam brought them back together and in peace!

Other times when Islam brought peace!

- ▶ Jewish tribes of Medina

- ▶ The Jewish tribes disrespected Muslims and Holy Prophet (saw).
- ▶ Holy Prophet (saw) allowed freedom of faith and respect of other faiths.
- ▶ Muhammad (saw) stood in respect for a Jewish funeral.

- ▶ Abdullah bin Ubayy

- ▶ Tribal leader in Medina but also biggest hypocrite.
- ▶ Tried to make Muslims fight but Holy Prophet Muhammad (saw) forgave him and read his funeral prayer.

What does the Qur'an have to say about Peace in Islam?

- ▶ “And the true servants of the Gracious God are those who walk on the Earth humbly and when the ignorant address them, they avoid them by saying ‘Peace!’”
 - ▶ Allah taalah teaches modesty is the best response to people who try to make you angry.
 - ▶ Tell those who want to fight “Peace!”

Peace in Islam = Ahmadiyyat

- ▶ Promised Messiah (as) declared Jihad of the Sword no longer necessary.
 - ▶ He said now is the time for Jihad of the pen!
 - ▶ He wrote over 90,000 letters in defense of Islam.
 - ▶ His final book was Paigham-e-Sulh or a Message of Peace.

Why is it important to reflect on the life of the Holy Prophet (saw)?

- ▶ These are not merely stories but a guide for our life
- ▶ The universe was created for the Holy Prophet Muhammad (Saw)
 - ▶ Thus we should follow in his footsteps
- ▶ If you are in a difficult situation in your life and you don't know what to do – reflect on the Hadith and look to the life of Prophet Muhammad (saw) for guidance

Changes you can make in yourself to bring peace

- ▶ Have Taqwa (Fear and love of God) in your heart.
- ▶ Never miss your prayers.
- ▶ Always tell the truth.
- ▶ Respect everyone around you.
- ▶ Defend Islam through the pen.
- ▶ Educate yourself.

Who Are We?



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We are not like every other kid

We are Ahmadi Muslim Atfal

**We are preparing ourselves to be leaders of
tomorrow**

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We always tell the Truth

**We believe in One God and follow the example
of the Holy Prophet (SAW)**

We are not afraid of anyone but Allah

Who Are We?



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We ask Allah for help

We obey the Khalifa

We are honest and we work hard

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We are friendly and caring

We are proud to be Ahmadi Muslim Atfal

**We are NOT worried about being cool but we
always do the right thing**

New Year's Resolutions

Get regular at:

- i) Offer 5 daily Salat
- ii) Recite the Holy Quran daily
- iii) Attend at least one Jumma every month
- iv) Write a letter to Huzoor (aba) monthly
- v) Listen to Huzoor's Friday Sermon weekly

=> see 10 x 10 Challenge

