

**LESSONS FROM KARBALA**



**Book 9**

**Courage**

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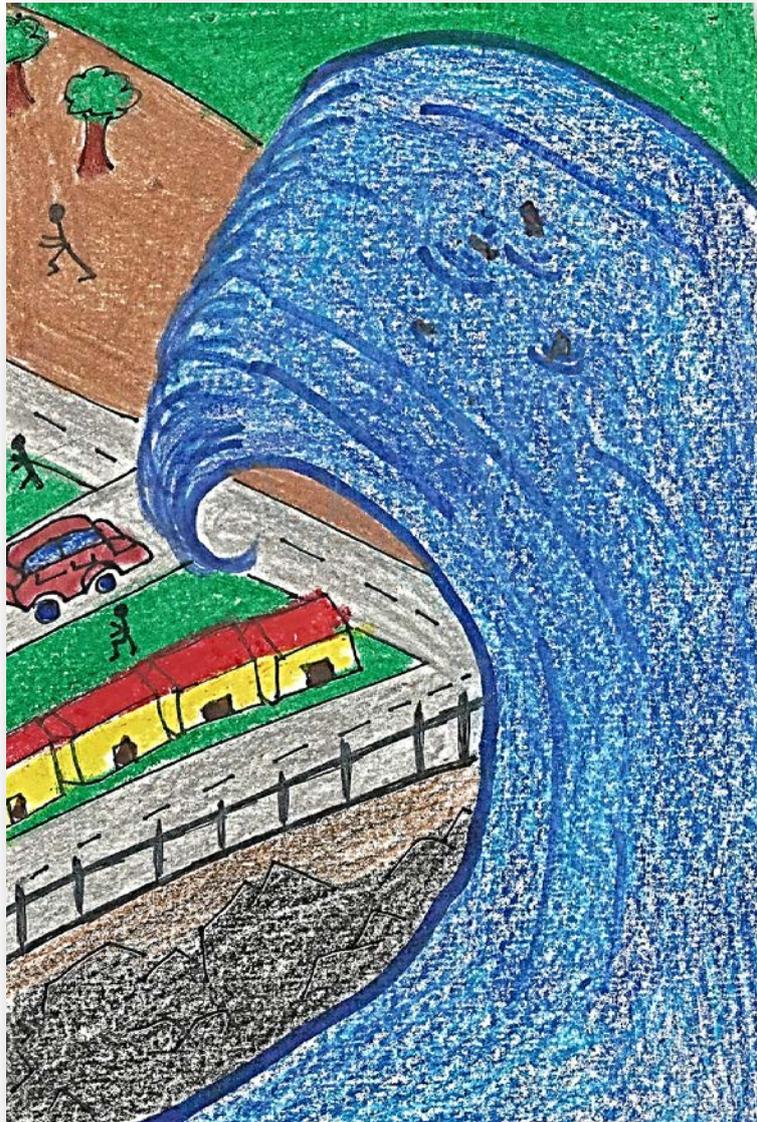
Please recite Surah-e-Fatiha for Syed Nadeem-ul-Hasan  
& Mrs. Mehar Jabeen. Dada and Nani Ami, we miss  
you!!!



**EVERY DAY IS ASHURA**  
**EVERY LAND IS KARBALA**  
**HAL MIN NASIRIN YANSURNA**  
**THE CALL IS STILL IN THE AIR**  
**OUR HEARTS SAY**  
**LABAIK YA HUSSEIN!**  
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## What is Courage?

- The ability to stand up against all difficulties; for what is right, (keeping in mind that Allah (swt) alone has the power over all and will always support those on the right path).
- To be assured that Allah (swt) will help you every step of the way.



## How to achieve Courage?

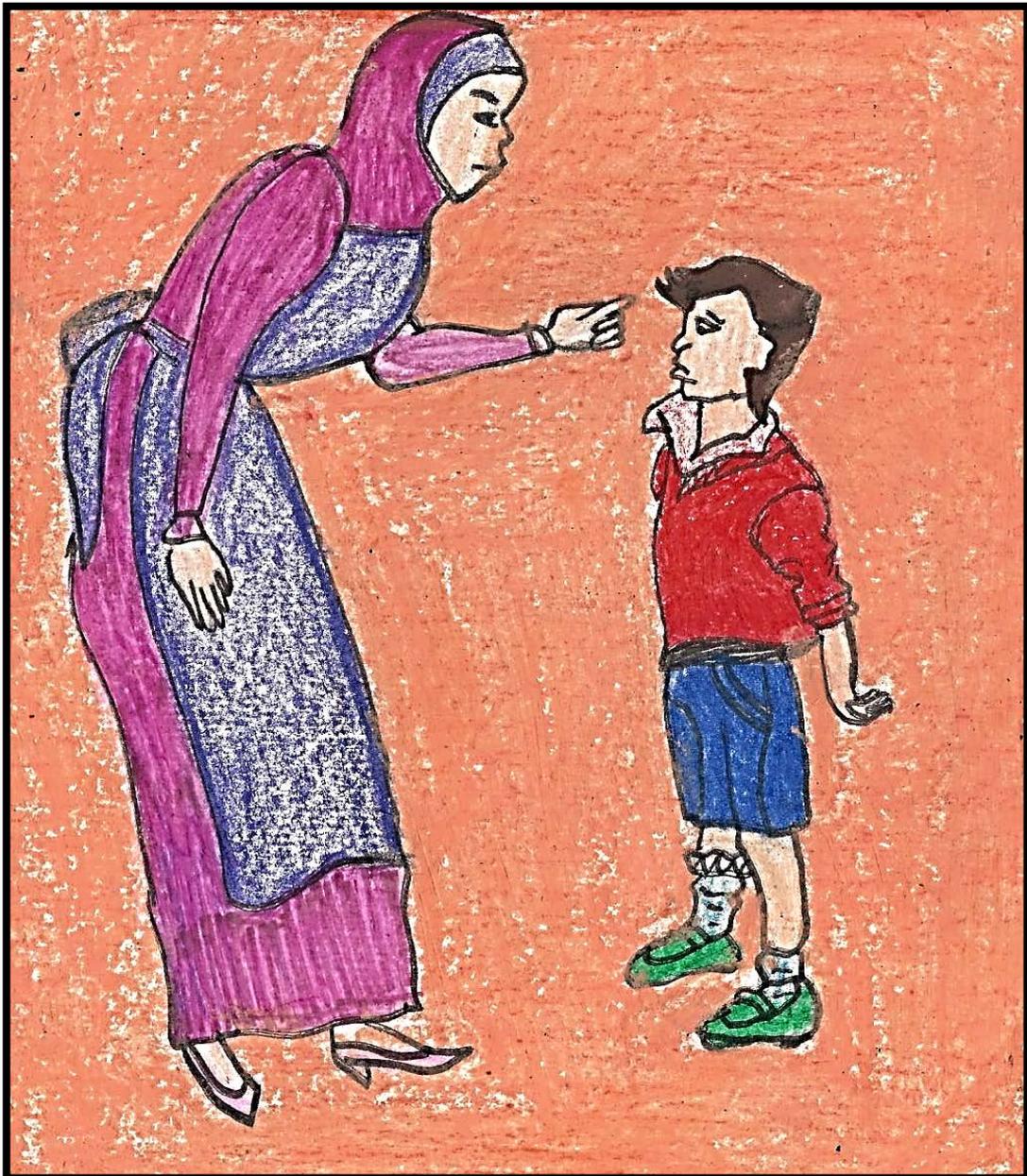
- Purify your intentions and base them on Qurbatan-illallah.
- Strengthen your belief on Allah (swt) who is Almighty and All Powerful.
- Rely on Allah (swt) keeping in mind that he loves us more than 70 mothers combined, so He will always do what's best for us.



## How to practice Courage.....

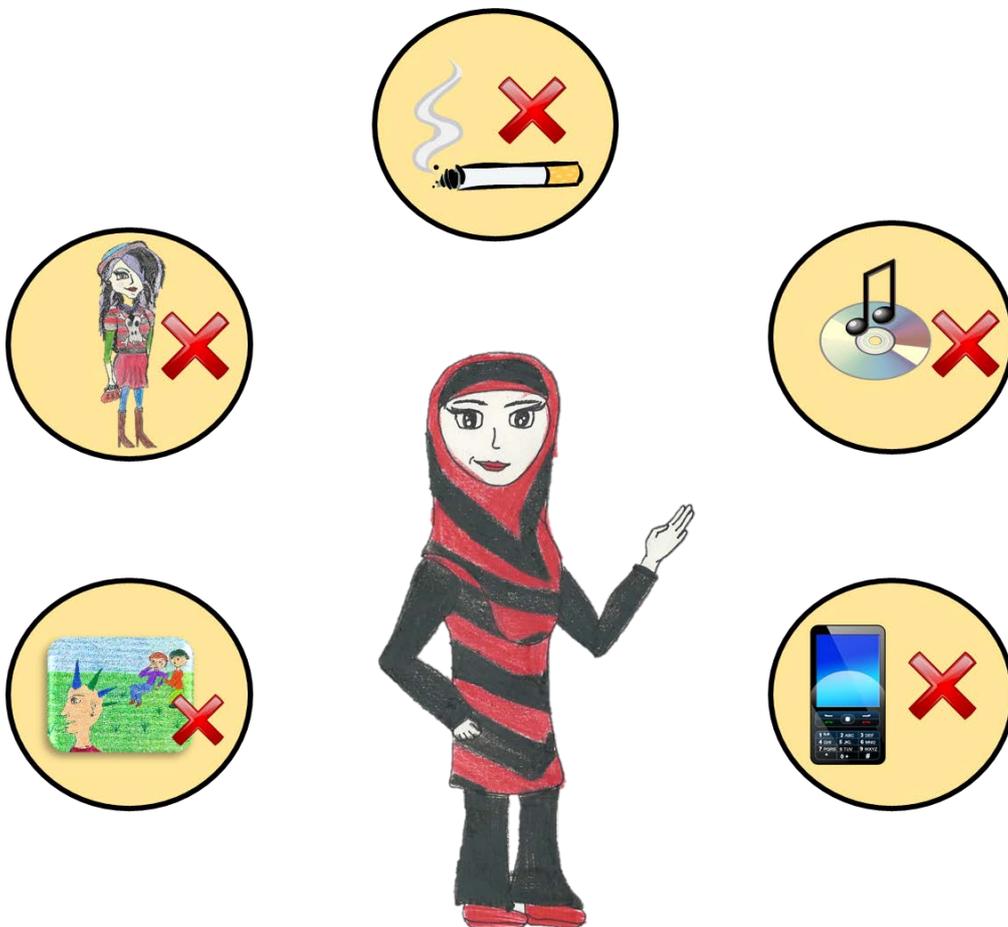
### **At Home:**

- To take responsibility if you have done something wrong, even when you could avoid the punishment.



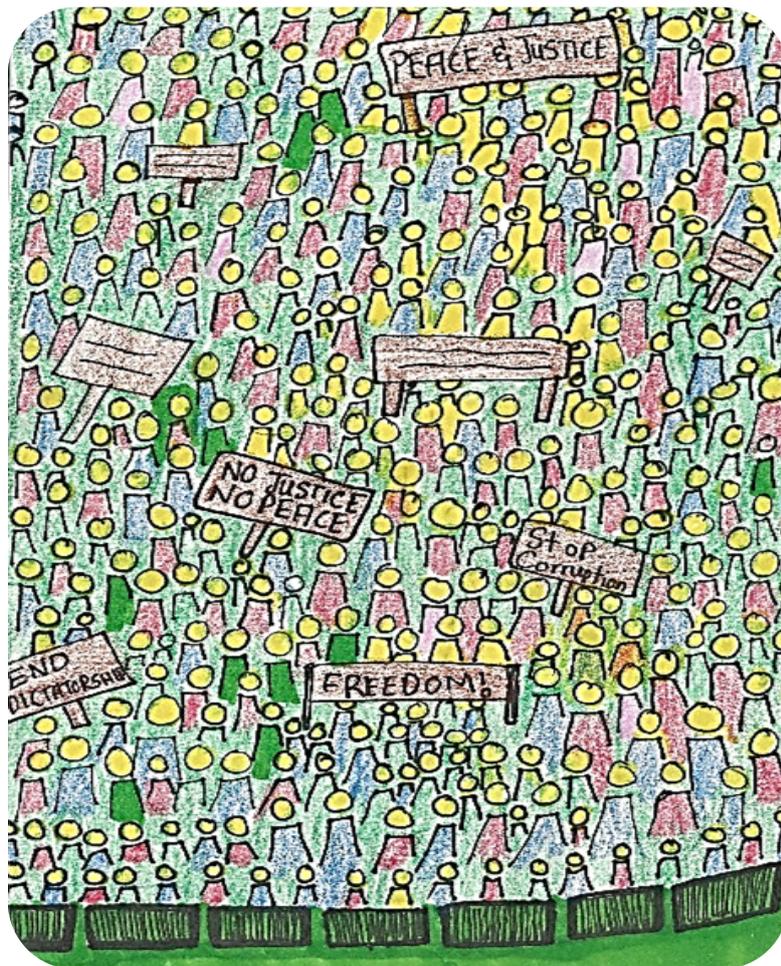
## At School:

- To be honest and accept the consequences of any mistakes made.
- To support those who are bullied.
- To resist 'peer pressure' and not do things which are islamically inappropriate, keeping in mind that it is not important to be part of the majority because the majority might not always be right.
- To be proud of your identity and engage with others as who you are rather than being desperate to fit in.



## At Public Places:

- To support Ulama-e-Haq (authentic scholars) in social causes.
- Keep in mind that Karbala is not a historical event. It occurs in our life every day when we have to make a choice between right and wrong.
- Siding with the truth often requires courage and a true follower of Imam Hussain (as) does not back off.



## Courage in Karbala....

- Karbala was a day where an army of just seventy two people fought an enemy much bigger in magnitude.
- Being in such a minority needed a lot of courage to stand with the truth.
- All those who stood with the Imam (as) knew what would happen to them and their families but they still chose to stay with their leader.
- Those brave warriors set an example of courage and loyalty for all the generations to come.
- Karbala is an institute of courage and Imam Hussain (as) is the teacher who preached by practice.



## Courage....

**In spite of the large numbers,  
Against whom they had to fight,  
No one was scared,  
Cause they were with the right.**

**One by one they left,  
Each taking their turn,  
Knowing all the way through,  
They would never return.**

**When they came riding,  
The enemy would cower,  
For truth flamed in their eyes,  
The mightiest power.**

**They all left the world,  
With a sense of pride,  
Accompanied with assurance,  
That they picked the right side.**

## A strength like no other...



They stood up proudly,  
Love in their eyes,  
For the Imam of the time,  
they would give their lives.



The number of enemies  
didn't shake their strength.  
They rode bravely;  
to the battlefield they went.

Crowds of kafirs surrounded  
Them from all sides,  
But they fought fearlessly,  
Many disbelievers died.

One by one they fought,  
A history they were to create.  
They can't be matched undoubtedly,  
In strength or in faith.

## Have the strength to do the right thing...

Melissa's heart felt very heavy. She dropped her keys on the side table and walked into her apartment. No matter how hard she tried she couldn't forget the look on Lisa's face. She covered her face in shame as memories of the recent events began to play themselves before her again.

Just the previous week, Melissa's boss, Mr. Brown had entrusted her with a very important task. She would also receive a handsome pay if it was completed successfully. The job itself was simple. All Melissa had to do was supervise the transfer of some very valuable goods. She was also responsible for ensuring their safe storage and handling at the new destination.

The job seemed very straightforward, so Melissa accepted without any hesitation. Two days later, her boss informed her that it was time to carry out the task.

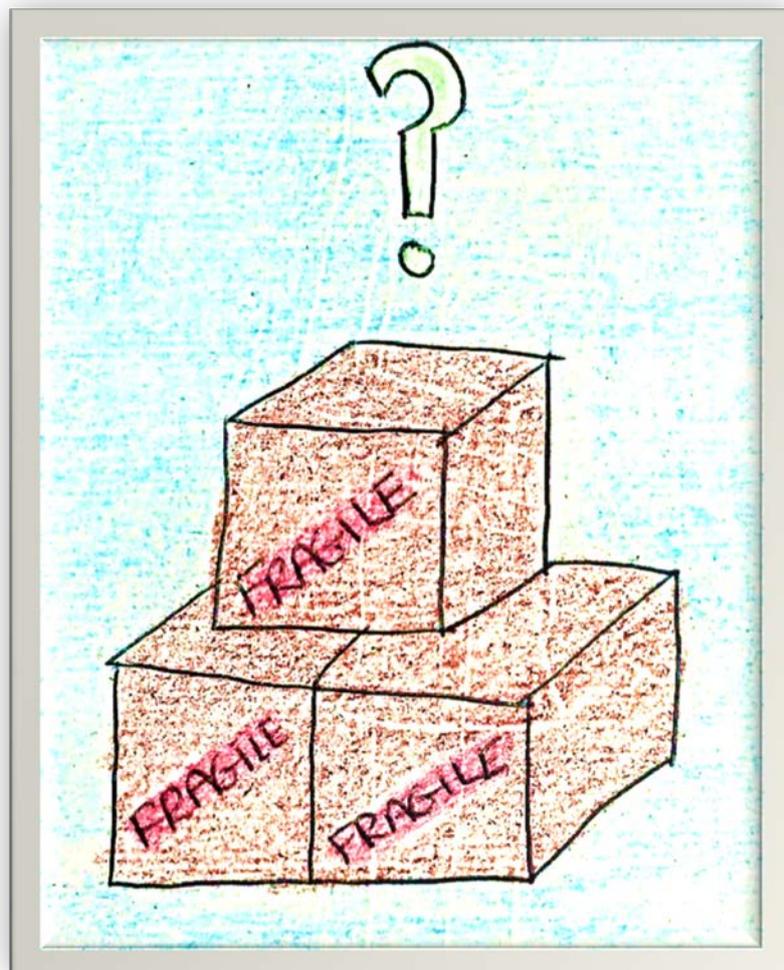
Being responsible by nature, Melissa took the pains to ensure that every last box was accounted for. She then personally observed the unloading and storage of all the inventory, just as she was asked. Everything was going well so far.

But as she began checking her list for a final scan, Melissa was struck with horror. Several cartons with very valuable goods were missing. Melissa was terrified. She reviewed the list and realized that it was her fault. She had misread the delivery numbers!

She felt numb and decided to erase the evidence from the computer. Her mind wasn't functioning correctly and she was too nervous to think clearly. All she knew was that if the boss found out, she would lose her job or worse!

Melissa did the unthinkable. Controlled by the negative emotions, she shifted the blame on someone doing similar work as hers- Lisa. Lisa was proved guilty. Her desperate protests of innocence fell on deaf ears. Melissa couldn't forget the look on the young girl's face.

She let out a long sigh. She began to collect her thoughts slowly. Between the two of them Melissa needed the job more.



Lisa came from a rich family and could easily find a new job. Melissa tried to comfort herself, but in vain.

Finally she resolved to do something. Grabbing her bags and keys, she hurried to her car and drove straight to the office. She promptly strolled to the boss's office and knocked on the door. Melissa prepared herself when the order to enter was given. She had been in the office for only a few minutes when a loud yell was heard, 'You're fired!'

Strangely enough, Melissa did not feel sorrowful at all. She skipped to her car with a light heart and a peaceful mind. She knew that she had done the right thing. That day Melissa left the office for the final time with the most cheerful smile, but not one person could understand why.

## Words of gold...

Quran:

**But indeed if any show patience and forgive, that would truly be an exercise of courageous will and resolution in the conduct of affairs. (42:43)**

Imam Ali:

**Value of a man depends upon his courage; his veracity depends upon his self-respect and his chastity depends upon his sense of honor.**

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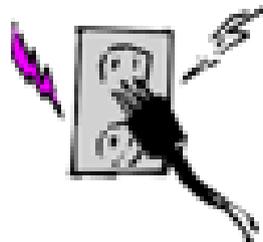


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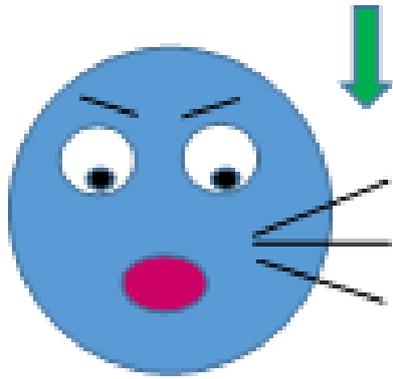
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