

LESSONS FROM KARBALA



Book 2

Marifat of Imam (ajtf)

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Please recite Surah-e-Fatiha for Syed Nadeem-ul-Hasan
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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 Marifat of Imam?

- To know and recognize your Imam (ajtf).
- To realize your duties towards Him.
- To prepare for His arrival.

How to achieve Marifat of Imam?

- The best way to achieve marifat of Imam (ajtf) is through the dhikr of Imam Hussein (a.s.).
- According to Ayatullah Taqi Bahjat, act on whatever you know and whatever you don't know will be revealed to you.

How to practice Marifat of Imam.....

At Home:

- By doing Dhikr of Imam Hussein (a.s).
- Performing all your wajibats.
- Having a constant desire to learn about your religion from the right sources.



At School:

- Finding company that will bring us closer to Imam (ajtf) and try to stay away from those who would do otherwise.

At Public Places:

-Supporting social events which are based on the cause of serving our Imam (ajtf).

E.g. attending majalis conducted by the Ulama-e-haqq.

-Following your marajah regarding social causes.

Marifat of Imam in Karbala....

On the day of Ashura,
Died many pure souls.
With marifat in their hearts,
They reached their spiritual goals.

Marifat is what caused them,
To join the side that 'lost'.
They wished to stay with Hussein,
No matter what the cost.

To protect their beloved Imam (ajtf),
They did what they could,
And as proven today,
They've done what they should.

You need marifat of Imam (ajtf),
To stay on the path that's right.
You need to put in effort,
Must try with all your might

Marifat of Imam.....

We need to know our leader,
The one who'll save us all.
We must prepare ourselves,
To answer the call.

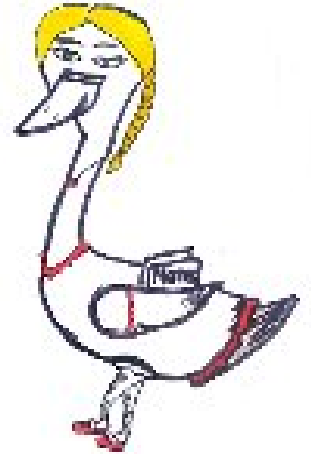
We aren't waiting for him,
He is waiting for us,
Awaiting the day,
That we base our lives on trust

We are in a mess
Imam is the cure
But for him to come
We must become pure

For our master to arrive,
Things will have to be done.
Sincerely cry "Labaik",
To receive the awaited one.

I need to do what is right.....

Lennie was a little duck. She was really nervous as she walked into her classroom. It was her first day in a new school and she was very scared and excited. She wondered what it would be like. When she strolled in, she tried to look friendly, and confident, though she was not sure if she had succeeded in the slightest. Her teacher, Ms.Quacker, was a very nice lady with a soft and cheerful voice that gave Lennie some hope about her new school.



The clock ticked on, and very soon the bell rang inviting all the students out for recess. Now that there were no classes, Lennie got a chance to study her fellow students. She saw many distinct characters. Molly seemed to be the “clown” of the class. Nora was a show-it-all. Her never ending boasting irritated everyone, even Lennie. “Timid Terry”, as the class called her, was probably the most diffident person that Lennie had ever seen. She was as quiet as a mouse.



Daniella was definitely a bully. It was only the first day and she was already stealing the lunches of some old victims. “Either bullies don’t get lunch from their parents; or just have a never ending appetite,” Lennie

muttered. She promised herself to stay clear of Daniella.

There was one person in the class who interested Lennie the most. Her name, as Lennie found out later, was Bella. Bella just seemed different from everyone else. She was a very friendly duck, whom everyone appeared to like. Lennie wanted to find out why.

“Riiinnnggg!!!!” the bell rang again ending the fun and switching Lennie’s thoughts back to her studies. If you were to peek into Lennie’s classroom that day, you would have noticed her constantly stealing glances at Bella. She was trying to figure out what was so special about her. But her efforts were fruitless.

As Lennie went home she couldn’t stop thinking about Bella. The only thing that Lennie had noticed about her was that Bella used different expressions from everyone else.

Instead of ‘Oh my God’, ‘Soon’ or ‘Wow; Bella said ‘Ya Ali Madad’, ‘Inshallah’ and ‘Subhanallah’. Not only that, but every time she was saying farewell to anyone. The normal ‘Khudahafiz’ was accompanied by a ‘May Imam be with you’. Lennie still didn’t know too much about Bella. Guess I’ll find out tomorrow, she thought.



The next day at recess, Lennie plucked up enough courage to go and talk to Bella. Maybe she could even make friends with her. But when Lennie got there, she saw an awful sight. She saw Terry with her muddy clothes picking up her lunchbox and her food out of the dirt, sobbing non-stop.

Daniella and her group of heartless friends were throwing strings of insults and rude jokes at her, apparently pleased with the result of their actions. Lennie stopped in her tracks. She knew that she should do something but Lennie didn't want to get involved. But someone else did.

Bella walked right up to Terry and helped her pick up her things. She told Terry that she would give her some of her own lunch. Then she began walking Terry to the nurse's office. All of Bella's friends kept on telling her to leave Terry alone and that it wasn't her problem, but Bella ignored them. The bullies gave a look to each other, not at all pleased that someone had interfered with their work.

"Hey Bella Bologna!!" Daniella called from behind her. Bella turned around and gave her such a glare, that Daniella decided to leave them alone. Calling her friends, she walked to the other side of the playground. When Bella returned from Ms. Fizzle, the nurses office, Lennie walked to her and asked Bella

"Why did you do that?"

Bella replied,

"How will I be able to answer to my Imam (ajtf), if I do not do justice to those in need. If I don't help the oppressed, how can I work on my marifat?"

Curious, Lennie asked her about marifat. Bella explained in three words, knowing your Imam (ajtf). When Lennie insisted then she elaborated.

“Our Imam Mahdi (ajtf) will not arrive until He has enough supporters. How can I be with my Imam’s three hundred and thirteen companions if I don’t follow what Allah has commanded? My goal in life is to be with him and I am working towards it. The bell rang again sending the ducks back inside. Lennie went home that day in deep thought. She had finally understood why Bella was so special. Lennie made a few resolutions that night.

Word Search

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Marifat

Baseerat

Imam (ajtf)

Piety

Loyalty

Mahdi

Vision

Awareness

HIDDEN PICTURES



Find the letters: LABAIK YA IMAM.

Dua-e-Marifat-e-Imam

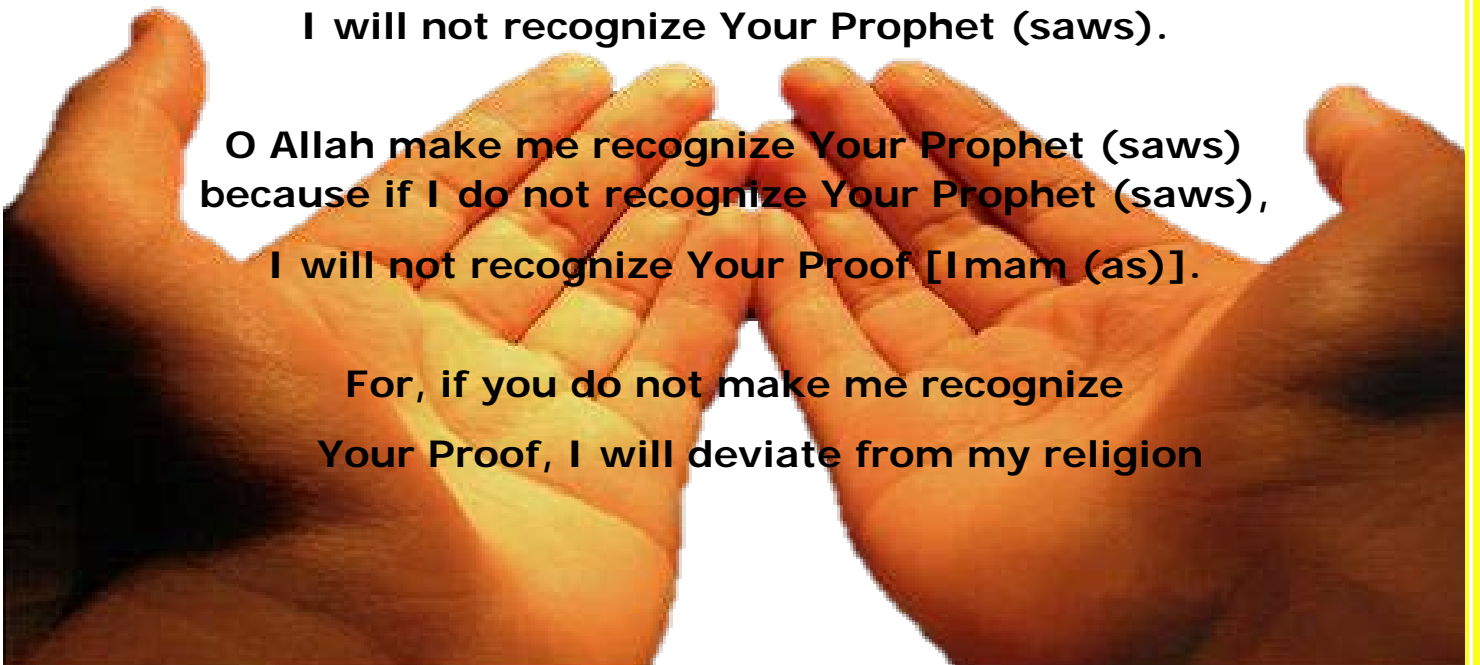
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حُجَّتَكَ، ضَلَلْتُ عَنْ دِيْنِيْ۔

O Allah introduce Yourself to me
For, if you do not introduce Yourself to me,
I will not recognize Your Prophet (saws).

O Allah make me recognize Your Prophet (saws)
because if I do not recognize Your Prophet (saws),
I will not recognize Your Proof [Imam (as)].

For, if you do not make me recognize
Your Proof, I will deviate from my religion



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