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Question. Write a comprehensive note on manners of holy prophet SAW which is narrated in Suraha Hujrat.

MANNERS WHICH THE MUSLIMS MUST FOLLOW

The manners which the Muslims must observe before the Prophet (P.B.U.H) have been highlighted.

- 1. They have been warned to show respect to the Prophet (P.B.U.H) and to give priority to his directives instead of asserting their own views.
- 2. They must not raise their voice above his, and also must not address him as they address one another. The Almighty nurtures the seed of piety in only those hearts who have regard and respect for the Prophet (P.B.U.H).
- 3. Those who express their superiority because they think that they have done Allah and the Prophet (P.B.U.H) a favour by accepting Islam should be aware that this attitude might render vain all their deeds whilst they may not even realize this loss.

COMMUNAL AFFAIRS / COLLECTIVE ATTITUDE

This section throws light upon the communal affairs and the collective attitude of the Muslims.

- 1. The dealings of the Muslims with one and another should be based on brotherhood and fraternity not on the basis of association with a particular party or group.
- 2. It is totally forbidden for a Muslim faction to launch an assault over another Muslim party by trusting the account of an evil doer, something upon which they would themselves feel ashamed later on.
- 3. In all important affairs they should leave the decision making to the Prophet (PBUH) and follow his directives. To obtain the support and sympathy of the Prophet (PBUH), no party should unduly pressurize the Prophet (PBUH). This would be showing disregard to the blessing of faith the Almighty has bestowed them with.
- 4. After tasting the sweet flavour of faith, anything done unworthy of it would be punished to a return to disbelief and faithlessness. The Almighty has endeared faith to them and made disbelief and wrongdoing abhorrent to them precisely to prevent this return.

ADVISE TO MUSLIMS

- 1. The Muslims have been advised to refrain from all those activities which create hatred among them and which ignite the flames of disorder and disruption in the society.
- 2. No Muslim should make fun of another Muslim or insult him by nicknames.
- 3. They must also stay away from backbiting.
- 4. Pride and vanity about one's clan, family or creed are relics of the period of ignorance before Islam and must not be continued. The Almighty has created all mankind from a single pair of man and woman. The real aim behind dividing mankind into various groups and tribes is that they should identify each other on the basis of their own separate characteristics.

BEDOUIN OF MADINAH

The last section tells:

- 1. what has been indicated in the beginning of the surah.
- 2. It becomes clear from this section, that the people who are under discussion in the initial verses of the surah are the Bedouin who lived in the whereabouts of Medina and who had accepted Islam only because they were over-come by its power.
- 3. The true essence of faith had not found its way into their hearts and they vainly reckoned that they had done the Prophet (PBUH) a great favour by accepting Islam. As a result, they had developed a vain attitude and behaviour, about which actually they have been warned in the beginning of the surah.
- 4. Here, at the end, the Almighty has asked the Prophet (PBUH) to convey to these people that they must not think that Islam is indebted to them; the Almighty has full knowledge of their inner and outer selves.