

Some ideas to preach for female preachers

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Foreword

By honourable scholar Dr. Abdullah Bin Abdur Rahman Al-Jabreen.

All praises and thanks be to Allah whose reward upon the guided ones showed them the way to guidance and Whose justice caused the misguided ones to go astray. We thank Him for His blessings and bounty. We bear witness there is no god but Allah alone. He is above all that what disbelievers say and we bear witness that Muhammad is His slave and His messenger who stood to invite people to Allah and his invitation guided the righteous ones. May Allah have peace and blessings upon him, his family and all his companions who elucidated his message after him and fought until the opponents surrendered to them.

Allah made it easy for me to get to know about this blissful series written down by one of virtuous sisters who studied and continued with the beneficial academic research. Her words tell about her profound experience, far reaching sight, sympathy and love for good deed and show the way to achievement of good and its acquisition. I liked what she wrote about various things on different topics which can be easily followed. They may appear somehow difficult to some people, however, they will appear to be sweet and easy to them after the

continuation, experience and going through them.

I hereby say that it is the responsibility of all Muslims be they males or females to take appropriate measures to protect all Muslims against the prevailing ignorance that shrouds most of the societies, to provide them with safety from the oblivion and carelessness that firmly cling to their hearts to make them defunct and to safeguard them from frustration and dejection which lead the man to the isolation from people and losing hopes in the consequences of causes and effects in such times. The beneficial steps towards the preaching which have been taken in this beautiful series will help bring forth the blessings and great benefits. No wonder if one of my sisters for the cause of Allah writes down these instructions because she is one of the alumni of Imam Muhammad Bin Saud Islamic University in the department of creed and contemporary religions in the college of religion principles. May Allah grant her success and support and for what she spends may Allah generously reward her. May Allah increase the number of such believer women who are virtuous, obedient and protector. Allah knows better. May Allah have peace and blessings upon Muhammad, his family and all his companions.

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Preface

All praise be to Allah, we seek His help and His forgiveness. We seek refuge with Allah from the evil of our own souls and the vices of our own deeds.

Whomsoever Allah guides will never be led astray, and whomsoever Allah leaves astray, no one can guide him. I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship but Allah, and I bear witness that Muhammad is His slave and Messenger.

The life of a woman who believes in Allah is really a ceaseless struggle for the cause of Allah. Immediately after doing a good deed she starts doing another one. The most valuable good deed is invitation to Allah. Allah said

فَلِذَلِكَ فَادُعْ وَاسْتَقِيمْ كَمَا أُمِرْتَ وَلَا تَتَّبِعْ أَهْوَاءَهُمْ

"So to that [religion of Allah] invite, [O Muhammad], and remain on a right course as you are commanded and do not follow their inclinations.

(Ash-Shura: Verse 15)

Explaining this verse Shaikh Ibne Sadi (may Allah have mercy on him) said: Invite to the right religion and the straight path that are sent down by Allah in His books

and through His prophets. Invite to this right religion and straight path your people and urge them to accept it, and fight those people who don't accept it and remain firm on it.

Allah commanded His Prophet to make himself perfect by remaining firm on the religion and to make others perfect by inviting them to it. It is known to all that the command of Allah to the Prophet is the command to his Ummah (people) when it is not specified to him.

So, O, the woman who believes! You are commanded to invite people to Allah as far as it is possible for you according to your power and strength.

In this book I will present some appropriate ideas for you regarding the preaching. Perhaps it may be helpful for you to invite to Allah, to enjoin the good and forbid the evil. So that Allah will not destroy us by His torment.

Allah SWT said:

فَلَمَّا نَسُوا مَا ذُكِّرُوا بِهِ أَنجَيْنَا الَّذِينَ يَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ السُّوءِ وَأَخَذْنَا الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا بِعَذَابٍ بَئِيسٍ بِمَا كَانُوا يَفْسُقُونَ

"And when they forgot that by which they had been reminded, We saved those who had forbidden evil and seized those who wronged, with a wretched punishment, because they were defiantly disobeying."

(Al-A'raaf: Verse 165)

Ibne Kathir (May Allah have mercy upon him) said: The verse talks about the deliverance of those who forbid the

evils. It talks about the doom of the oppressive ones as well. The verse is silent about those who are silent on evils. Because the punishment belongs to the category of guilt, so they neither did the good to be appreciated nor perpetrated the evil to be condemned. Despite this argument the scholars have many ideological disputes. Whether those who remain silent are of the tormented ones or of those who got the deliverance. Ibne Sadi (May Allah have mercy on him) said: It is a divine system that when the torment is sent down those who enjoin the good and forbid the evil get deliverance.

Right now Dear sister! Put your hand on my hand and hold it firmly with the strength of love for Allah and true commitment to invite people to Allah.

Come on with me to navigate through these pages full of ideas and thoughts about how to invite to Allah. Come on to do.

Allah Subhanahu Wa ta'ala said:

وَقُلْ اَعْمَلُوا فَسَيَرَى اللّٰهُ عَمَلَكُمْ

"And say, Do, for Allah will see your deeds"

(At-Tawba: Verse:105)

May Allah have peace and blessings upon Muhammad, his family and all his companions.

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A silent preacher, why?

I know about you that you have knowledge and eloquence in your tongue, then why do you remain silent and bashful?

To be bashful and modest doesn't mean that a female preacher shouldn't participate in spreading the good word to her Muslim sisters.

Allah SWT said:

وَاللَّهُ لَا يَسْتَحْيِي مِنَ الْحَقِّ ۗ

Allah is not shy of the truth

(Al-Ahzaab 33: Verse 53)

So, you should be careful of being inactive and weak.

I will tell you something that will trigger out your hidden motives for doing good.

Don't you see that the false people contend to propagate falsehood and try to be excellent at their propaganda?

Don't you see?

These nude dancers die for their works. These lewd actresses and singers spend all their expensive and inexpensive things to master their arts. They neither

become shy of Allah nor of His creatures.

Then, despite being on truth why you are so reluctant and shy?

O, The silent preacher! Every one of us is on the great frontier of Islam. So, be careful of making the frontier subject to attacks of enemy from your side.

Dive deep into many areas of life, if you will turn right or left you will find a wretched world spreading out its hands to you to take it out from the darkness to the light by the permission of Allah.

When you attend any lecture or sermon take a pen and a sheet of paper with you to note down the key ideas and thoughts. Be a preacher among your family when you return. Deliver the knowledge that Allah had bestowed upon you during the lecture or sermon that you attended to your mother and sisters who were not part of the lecture. It is very important, so don't be reluctant to tell them what you heard.

Have you ever thought of keeping a special note book to summarize the topics that you liked from some cassettes or useful books to present them as effective lessons to your friends, family, relatives and neighbours.

Are you?

One of those upon whom Allah has bestowed some Sharia knowledge? If you answer with yes, wouldn't you be interested to be a substitute of the Prophet of Allah (Peace be upon him) in invitation to Allah?

I'm sure that you will answer with yes.

Then make your home a centre of invitation to Allah. Fix one day in the week or two days in the month according to circumstances for this purpose.

I request you: On this day hold a session to remember Allah and to seek the knowledge. Ask your neighbours and relatives to come and gather and let them enjoy the benefits of the different types of Sharia knowledge ranging from the memorizing of Quran and exegesis to the creed and the Prophetic code of life.

Don't forget to present the useful audio and video clips to the attendees and to distribute the useful pamphlets as well.

Dear sister! Try your best to hold the meeting only on some beverages and avoid spending lavishly and extravagantly on refreshments. Because when people come to visit each other they satiate their stomachs and leave their minds insatiate and their spirits thirsty.

You should know that a gathering of zikra (remembrance of Allah) has its some salient features. All the moments of such gathering should be used

completely because the time often seems to be short. Dear sister! Be a mild one and affectionate. Their eyes are lingered on you, don't let them see anything unfair in you. May Allah guide your steps. Here I have some ideas for you, would you try to execute them.

I say: Just start, soon you will see that Allah has made all things easy for you.

Never forget to have good intentions in every tiny and hefty.

Your deeds are either to be beneficial for you if you have a good intention or to be detrimental for you if you have an evil intention or they are all in vain if you have neither a good intention nor an evil intention.

Would you allow the precious moments of your life to go in vain?

So, you should understand the functional mechanism of intentions in all your deeds, no matter how tiny they are, to make your whole life an embodiment of worship and obedience to Allah while you are busy in your daily life activities.

Remember that it is hard to please everybody.

It becomes more difficult when it comes in the way of preaching. You should know that to look for the people's happiness is not the goal that you will reach, the ultimate goal that you will reach by the permission of Allah is to get the pleasure of the One Who is the Lord of people.

So, rather you waste your time and miss the opportunities of doing good in order to please somebody or some people you should work and ask Allah for help. Allah SWT said:

وَالَّذِينَ جَاهَدُوا فِينَا لَنَهْدِيَنَّهُمْ سُبُلَنَا ۚ وَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَمَعَ الْمُحْسِنِينَ

"And those who strive for Us - We will surely guide them to Our ways. And indeed, Allah is with the doers of good."

(Al-Ankaboot 29: Verse 69)

After you act precisely according to Sunnah and be sincere to Allah as well your opponents will not be able to harm you. The world is just a summer cloud that is to be dispersed and vanished.

Don't be delighted at your deeds unless your over optimism and high elation at your obedience to Allah will make you dull at other good deeds. Don't let the hurdles of your sins hamper your preaching activity. Purge away the dust of sins from you as soon as possible, take a bath with the water of repentance and resume your activity with tenacious courage. Try to make the concern about Islam deeply ingrained and enrooted in your heart. Squeezing out your soul from your body should be of lesser pain for you than driving you away from the invitation to Allah.

Seek out the knowledge at your home.

Allah SWT said:

أَفَمَنْ كَانَ عَلَىٰ بَيِّنَةٍ مِّن رَّبِّهِ كَمَنْ زُيِّنَ لَهُ سُوءُ عَمَلِهِ وَاتَّبَعُوا أَهْوَاءَهُمْ

"So is he who is on clear evidence from his Lord like him to whom the evil of his work has been made attractive and they follow their [own] desires?"

(Muhammad: Verse 14)

Imam Ahmad (May Allah have mercy upon him) said:

The person who is right in his intention to acquire knowledge will never consider anything else to be of equal value to knowledge. They asked: How? He replied: Because he intends to keep himself and others as well away from the ignorance.

So with such intention and activity you can be one of those who fight for the cause of Allah to spread His religion.

Well, we agree that the acquisition of Sharia knowledge is of crucial importance. It's quite unreasonable to be a preacher without having knowledge. How one can invite anybody to a thing of which he himself is incognizant?

If you ask, what is the prescribed method to it?

What are the useful books that I need and which one is suitable to start with?

The honourable scholar As-Shaikh Muhammad Bin Uthaimin was asked about the books which can instruct

a student he recommended some books. Here we mention their names.

Books on Creed.

- 1- "Thalathatul Usool" (Three Doctrines).
- 2- "Alqwaid Al-Araba" (Four rules)
- 3- "Kashf Al-Shubuhah" (Refute of scepticism)
- 4- Al-Tawheed (The monotheism) by Imam Muhammad Bin Abdul Wahab
- 5- "Sharh Al-Aqidah Al-Tahawiyyah" (Commentary on the Tahawi Creed) by Abul Hasan Ali Bin Abil A'azz and Dr. Muhammad Aal Khamis has excerpted it with the title "Sharh Al-Aqidah Al-Tahawiyyah Al-Muyassar" (Commentary on the Tahawi Creed Made Easy).

Books on Hadith

- 1-Fathul Bari (The Revelation of God) the commentary on Sahih Al-bukhari by Ibne Hajar Al-Asqalani
- 2- Subulssalam (roads to peace) commentary on Bulughul Maram by San'ani.
- 3- Alarba'in Al-Nawawiyah (Fourty hadiths by Nawawi) by Abu Zakaria Al-Nawawi.

Books on Fiqh (Islamic Jurisprudence)

Zadul Mustanqi'a by Hijawi. The honorable scholar As-Shaikh Muhammad Ibne Uthaimin has thoroughly

elucidated and elaborated the the principles and provisions of this book in his precious book titled "Ash Sharhul Mumti Ala Zafil Mustanqi"

Books on Exegesis

- 1- Tafsirul Qur'an Al-Azeem (The exegesis of of the Glorious Qur'an) by Ihne kathir.
- 2- Tiasirul Karim AR-Rahman fi Kalamil Mannan.

Book on Sirah (Biographical account of Prophet Muhammad Sallallahu alaihi wasallam)
Zadul Ma'aad by Ibnul Qayyim

I recommend you a method to follow in order to seek knowledge at home. Bring the book that you intend to read out, then present the commentary written by anyone of great scholars. Thus you start reading out the book followed by listening to any cassette as if you are sitting in lecture hall of an Islamic University. Then add some annotations and useful notes to sides of book or to your personal notebook. By following this method it is as if you learnt that book from one of the scholars. Some electronic websites of scholars that help students through internet can also be beneficial to you.

On the creed for instance:

You are interested to read the book "At-Tawhid" (The

monotheism) by Imam Muhammad Bin Abdul Wahhab (May Allah have mercy on him)

Well, bring the book, buy some recorded cassettes of Commentary on the book of Tawhid by Abdur Rahman Al-Barrak or by any other great scholar. Thus another books that are available on the internet with the commentary can make it easy for you to seek the Sharia Knowledge.

Another instance: On Hadith you are interested to read "Riyadhus Saliheen" (Gardens of Virtuous persons) by Imam Nawawi (May Allah have mercy on him). The easiest way to it to come across any easy and elucidated commentary of the book that can help you understand it. The honourable scholar As-Shaikh Muhammad Ibne Uthaimin has done this great work in his excellent book "Commentary on Riyadhus Saliheen Min Klami Sayyidil Mursaleen".

You should know that the book "Riyadhus Salihin" is widely spread and mostly read book because it is a book that deals with training and its writer had a great academic significance among the scholars.

You need it more than others because it's a best guide for a preacher to give her and others the training.

Don't miss out to read its commentary. Wouldn't you want you to be arisen by Allah?

Allah SWT said:

يَرْفَعُ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا مِنْكُمْ وَالَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْعِلْمَ دَرَجَاتٍ ۗ وَاللَّهُ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ خَبِيرٌ

" Allah will raise those who have believed among you and those who were given knowledge, by degrees. And Allah is Acquainted with what you do."

(Al-Mujaadila 58: Verse 11)

Be accustomed to recite Qur'an and repeat its verses with every breath you take to be imbued with its beauty and fragrance. Try to memorize the most part of Qur'an and recite them frequently.

All the knowledge except Qur'an, Hadith and insights into religion is just an occupation.

Dear Sister! In your way to Allah your sorrows and pains pay hamper you. Then what is to open your chest and eliminate your sorrow?

Of course, It's Quran.

Be eager to recite one part from Qur'an daily, soon you will feel the openness in your chest in addition to the increase in your time and wish to do good deed.

O, Allah! Make the Qur'an the spring of our hearts, the light of our chests, the relief of our sorrows and antidote to our griefs.

Then, O, sister! Here is another important thing to note when you invite others to Allah.

It's necessary for you to substantiate what you say with some Qur'anic verses. It's proved that the talk ornamented with the Hadith and Verses is more effective to the people in comparison to that of not

garnished with the verses and hadith. Many people who got guidance have acknowledged this fact. You can also do it if you have memorized a fair amount of the verses from the book Allah. It's a wide way to invitation.

If it's not easy for you to memorize whole Qur'an you should memorize some verses related to the Islamic provisions, awe and enticement. It is very necessary and of vital importance to make your preaching base firmly established and your arguments strongly substantiated.

Along with that you shouldn't forget to memorize hadithes, some couplets of poems, aphorisms and some stories. It will make you more steady and confident when you invite people and discuss with others.

Thus, the more strong you are in knowledge, memorizing, and wisdom, the better are the consequences with the permissions of Allah.

O, my preacher sister!

Repeat after me this supplication

رَبِّ اشْرَحْ لِي صَدْرِي وَيَسِّرْ لِي أَمْرِي وَاخْلُفْ عُقْدَةً مِّنْ لِّسَانِي يَفْقَهُوا قَوْلِي

"My Lord! Open for me my breast, and ease for me my task, and untie the knot from my tongue, that they may understand my speech".

Yes, you are in dire need of opening your breast, because, on your way to invite people to Allah, sometimes you may feel extremely dejected when you see your nearest ones go astray and they don't care to respond to your suggestions and instructions. Then the extreme concern about them makes you critically depressed.

Allah has forbidden us to be extremely dejected and grief-stricken for the people who do not responding to Allah. No matter how beloved and near they are to us. Allah SWT said:

فَلَا تَذْهَبْ نَفْسُكَ عَلَيْهِمْ حَسْرَاتٍ ۗ

" So do not let yourself perish over them in regret."
(Faatir 35: Verse 8)

Allah SWT said:

فَلَعَلَّكَ بِخِغِ نَفْسِكَ عَلَىٰ ءَاثِرِهِمْ إِن لَّمْ يُؤْمِنُوا بِهَذَا الْحَدِيثِ أَسَفًا

"Then perhaps you would kill yourself through grief over them, [O Muhammad], if they do not believe in this message, [and] out of sorrow."

(Al-Kahf 18: Verse 6)

The intense grief sometimes causes depression that leads to the loss of interest and passion to do anything of great expedience that may result afterwards in guidance of those you love. The vehement grief sometimes causes organic disorders such as blood pressure, nerve tension, unrelenting exhaustion (Anemia) and gastroenterology etc.

In such depressions sometimes the human resorts to think of committing suicide. May Allah take us in His refuge from committing such a sin. Dear sister!

Preserve this precious life that Allah has gifted you and seize the opportunity to spend your life in doing good deeds and getting closer to Allah. Don't let it be seized by the regrets and perish over those who don't respond to Allah and His messenger in griefs.

فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ يُضِلُّ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَيَهْدِي مَنْ يَشَاءُ ۗ

"For indeed, Allah sends astray whom He wills and guides whom He wills."

(Faatir 35: Verse 8)

فَإِنْ تَوَلَّوْا فَقُلْ حَسْبِيَ اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ ۖ عَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلْتُ ۖ وَهُوَ رَبُّ الْعَرْشِ الْعَظِيمِ

"But if they turn away, [O Muhammad], say, Sufficient for me is Allah; there is no deity except Him. On Him I have relied, and He is the Lord of the Great Throne."

(At-Tawba 9: Verse 129)

Do you know that to help and support is of vital importance to methods of preaching.

It's a kind of worship on which you will be rewarded. Messenger of Allah said:

المسلم أخو المسلم لا يظلمه ولا يخذله... رواه مسلم

A Muslim is a Muslim's brother, he neither wrong him nor desert him.. (Narrated Muslim)

A Muslim is commanded to support his brother. The scholars and preachers be they males or females are more worthy to support and help others. To support

others is an influential and successful preaching method.

Sometimes it will take only a word of help to enjoin your sister the good and to forbid her from the evil.

Sometimes you may consider such things so simple and of less importance, but they are the fundamentals, every preacher needs them when she is to address the women gathering.

She needs thereby someone to help her to inspire others to calm down and listen carefully. So by supporting her you can follow the order of your Prophet (Peace be upon him) " Help your brother"

It's also necessary for you to avoid deserting another Muslim woman in her invitation to Allah arguing that she can never be successful in her efforts, there have been many people before her who were better than her, however, they didn't succeed.

Messenger of Allah said about a Muslim: "he doesn't desert him" (his brother). Deserting one another as you know one of the characteristics of hypocrite men and women. We ask Allah to save us from it.

Such kinds of person neither work nor be happy to see that there are some people to redo the work that they couldn't do. Their only purpose is to discourage and leaving others helpless in seeking the knowledge, education and inviting people to Allah.

It's also a kind of deserting your sister that when your preacher sister is talking well you say: I know there are some women who helped her with their knowledge and understanding to prepare the speech for invitation.

Those who become engaged in other talks and pay no attention to her sister's talks while she's addressing take more active part in deserting her sister alone than others. Sometimes they engage others also with them and go out of the gathering to complete their worldly conversations that will never come to an end. Instead of creating chaos that destroys the essence of meekness in the gathering to let it be bereft of all meanings and importance If only for half an hour they note down the words and help others to stay to get some benefits and listen carefully with meekness, it

would have been beneficial for all who are in gathering with the permission of Allah.

Isn't it the deserting your preacher sister helpless that weakens her activeness?

Help your preaching sister by praying for her, protecting her honour, being sincere to her, encouraging her and cooperating with her, so you can generalize the blessings of your help for all of us, let us not be buried under the dirt of carelessness because of not helping the good ones and supporting them.

Would you help your sister?

I can see the answer gleaming in your eyes with (yes, I will help my sister).

The preaching ideas with husband

It's very fantastic to put some beneficial cassettes in the car of your husband and replace them with others time to time without any comment.

Do you know the idea of frame?

It is frame of medium size photos which you can put on the table beside your husband's bed and afterwards you start to put instead of photos some useful notes from any book beautifully written by you or some words to express your respect and love for your husband. Don't forget to change the words and phrases time to time.

You can also make some frames with useful notes in it to hang it up in the guest room which can be beneficial to all of those who are in the room.

It will not take too much cost rather it will give you a lot of benefits if you prepare a **delicious dish to gift the family of your husband** when they gather altogether.

By doing such an act you can anticipate the reward of

giving pleasure and happiness to Muslims and making your husband immensely glad and your husband will be delighted to see such a pleasing act and will be proud of you before his family. You can anticipate the reward of feeding as well that will cause you to enter Paradise with peace. Our Prophet (Peace be upon him) has ordered us "Love each other by giving gifts to each other."

"Mu'azzin" calls "Allahu Akbar Allahu Akbar" (Allah is Great, Allah is Great) and your husband is busy talking to you and playing with his children, in such a moment try to wind up the meeting in an elegant and prudent manner and make all feel that a very important thing has arrived to us and that is the time of Salat and arising call for it. Be first to prepare for salat and wind up the worldly matters. It will help your husband perform Salat with first Takbeer of Salat.

Make your husband feel that you are learning from him.

Ask him to explain some of the complications related to religion and humbly discuss with him as a student does with his teacher. It will surely urge him to be well

informed to be able to answer you especially when he will realize that you are learning from him.

It will make him immensely glad and will highly encourage him to get into research, study and interrogation. By doing so you can help your husband seek knowledge and utilize his time.

Help him be obedient to his parents and good to his brothers and sisters. If he forgets remind him. If he seems to be lazy and indolent advise him to be active. One who bears no good for his family can never be good to anybody. You should be the first to bear good for your family.

Then what kind of life you will be able to live with such a husband who is disobedient to his parents, hated by Allah, and breaks the ties with kith and kin that Allah has connected?

The first responsibility of a preacher is to make her husband stay connected to Allah, be obedient to his parents and keep good relations with his relatives so you can stay blessed with him as he can stay blessed with you.

The woman like you doesn't forget the influence of

prayer in bringing about the good relationship between couples. Pray with these words.

O, Allah hide my shortcomings from him and his shortcomings from me.

Manifest my good qualities to him and his good qualities to me and make me happy with what you have given me and increase it with your blessings. Aameen!

Find out the innovative aspects in your husband and make them grow and develop and ask Allah to enhance them.

Create out of your husband a man who can be beneficial to the Ummah (community) of Prophet Muhammad (Peace be upon him).

Then try to explore the weak aspects in your husband and cure them. Stand up with your husband. Don't help him be in love with laziness and world affairs that will open the door to a great evil hard to shut down.

Always take his courage to the loftiness. Make him hasten to good with permission of Allah.

Why not? As long as you are his wife it's easy by the permission of Allah.

At last I will say to you: O, wife! be careful! Don't be for

your husband a key to the doors of world and its pleasures. So he ruins his religion and ruins you with him as well.

Preaching ideas with your children

Make your children accustomed to bear the responsibility and ability to face and address the public. It can be done by letting them frequently attend the gatherings of Zikra, so they can learn by directly watching how to address.

Encourage them to seek knowledge, to invite and talk before others and develop in them the love and eagerness to participate in general and school activities as well.

Don't be shy and reluctant. It inculcates the shyness in your children. But let them go ahead on right path to the fields of social life far from the inferiority complex, shyness and lack of self-confidence so that you can ingrain in them the features and qualities of Dawa (invitation to Allah) that will be oriented and illuminated afterwards to accustom them to face public with

courage and amazing verbal fluency.

The credit will go to you after Allah because you are the first to nourish every preacher in the world.

Your beautiful rose in your home to embrace and smell is your little daughter preacher of the future.

Have you ever thought to gift her a Salat carpet and a veil as you gifted her before many toys?

Have you ever taken your children in your company to the Islamic libraries and let them handpick the beautiful stories and useful interesting books and inculcated in them the love of reading that is the provision of piety in the journey of those who travel to Allah..?

Be eager to bring for them every week some video and audio materials with your affectionate instructions and immaculate prayers with your sincere heart for the guidance of your children and for their protection against the evils of world and Hereafter and the Satan of men and djinns and may Allah guide them to the best characters and take them away from the worst

characters and make them delights of the eyes for their parents and all Muslims and a treasure for the Ummah (Community) of Prophet Muhammad (Peace be upon him).

What is your opinion, after one year of continuation on such practices, how your children would be with the permission of Allah?

I leave the answer up to you.

What is number of pages that your children memorize during exam days?

How many pages every student learn by heart in every academic year?

I'm not talking about the student of secondary or middle stage but I'm talking about the student of primary classes, and guess on this basis. Are your children unable to learn full Qur'an or some parts of it by heart? Or you are unable to inspire them or cooperate with them whereas you were able to urged them and deal with vigils to let them memorize six, ten or thirteen subjects. You sacrificed your comfort and spent your energy as if you have to attend the exam and

sometimes you become strict to them to let them qualify the exam with highest grades. I ask you a clear question. Do you really love your children? You will surely answer with yes. I'm again asking you.

Do you really love your children for the cause of Allah?

I wish that you don't hasten to answer, sometimes inadvertently your answer may become unpleasant and painful.

The real love for your children is to sacrifice your heart to elevate their grades before the Lord of worlds, so that they become elated with their final results on the day when some faces will be white and some others will be black.

The real love for your children is to be successful to make them memorize the book of Allah by various means and ideas as you succeeded to let them memorize different types of lengthy subjects, it provides a very clear evidence that you are able to cooperate with your children to let them gradually memorize the Book of Allah. It's sufficient for you that the Qur'an will save them from evils, from the effects of an evil eye and Satan,

heal their organic and psychiatric diseases, empower their memories, give them verbal fluency and refine their mind and soul as well.

Which mother will not like this good for her children and won't be eager to achieve it? It is the most precious gift to present to your children.

The Hadith says: When a man dies, his deeds come to an end except for three things. Among these three things is a virtuous descendant who prays for him. Who is such kind of descendant whom you expect to pray for you while you are in your grave so he will ease the hardship of grave from you with permission of Allah or elevate your grade before Allah.

Who can be such kind of descendant?

Is he the one who spends his day watching the cartoon movies or playing the games on computer?

Or he is the one who passes his time playing football?

Or he is that innocent and obedient one who perfumes his breaths every day in the circle of Masjid memorizing and frequently repeating the verses related to the obedience of presents and raises his

hands to Allah sincerely praying for you every day and in every Salat time.

Many congratulations to every mother who got a number of descendants in her family who memorized the Glorious Book of Allah.

Thanks be to Allah there are many mothers whose home buzzes with the recitation of Qur'an as the bee buzzes. We ask Allah for His bounty.

O, the preacher and affectionate Mom!

Sit with your children for a long time not less than one hour, at least once a week. Let them talk freely and comfortably about everything. Consider it as a long meeting but there should be a great purpose behind it.

This purpose is not hidden from you...

Be assured dear mother! The frequent arrangement of such sessions will let you assess the personalities of your children whether they reach the expected goal or your training goals are yet to achieve. Either your negligence in something of which you may think that it's done or the lack of diversity in methods may cause shortcomings.

To be informed of these shortcomings and ameliorate them before the time is over is of crucial importance, so that you can be able to safeguard your child beliefs as much as possible. May Allah protect you.

My dear! When your child makes mistake before others while you are teaching them to be well-trained at any skill you become embarrassed and blushed and you start scolding him before people. Be aware that the scold leads the ability of your child and his skills to threshold to the end and cripples him completely. A child learns with gradual process of efforts and making mistakes. The continuous sustained instructions from his parents give him a lot of benefits to develop.

It's necessary for you to understand the individual and personal differences in your children. See your child from the perspective of his skills and abilities, not from the perspective of other child's skills and abilities.

Hence you will be able to develop his qualities and skills and instruct him accordingly to his unique personality and special qualities in such a way that can be beneficial to him and to his religion as well.

My dear!

The mother will avail no benefit if she compares her child's qualities to those of other. The comparison shatters the child, makes him lose his self-confidence, and confuses him about his the accuracy of his performance. Because her mother wanted to create out of him a version of child which she liked and she didn't succeed. Eventually she distorted the real personality and natural qualities of her child, as if she was a traveller who neither could traverse a valley nor could protect his traveling cart.

Yes, it is wonderful to be keenly interested to attend the gatherings of Zikra, but have you ever thought to take your little daughters with you to make them accustomed to love the circles of Zikra and gain the ability to address the gathering by watching such gatherings.

I think it is of vital importance to them. You are mother of the preachers of future. Aren't you?

Accustom your children to :

1- Say "Bismillah" (in the name of Allah) before they start to eat so the Satan can't share their food, it's also a kind of worship, and say "Alhamdulillah" (All praises be to Allah) after they end up with eating. It will ingrain in them the oneness of Lord. If a morsel falls down from the mouth of your child ask him to clean its dirt and eat it and don't let Satan eat it as our Prophet (Peace be upon him) ordered us.

2- If your child stumbles down on the earth don't cry rather let him hear the first word you say "Bismillah" and recommend him to utter this word whenever he stumbles down.

3- Let the modesty be profoundly seated in your sons generally and in your daughters especially by regularly urging them to cover their private parts from every far and near individual. Give this topic a fair amount of importance and concern and let them realize the vital

importance of protecting the private parts and essential necessity to cover them.

4- Under no circumstances allow your children to call you only with your name. Let them be accustomed to call you with the word "Mom", because it will gradually take them to lose the respect for you. Don't let them call their father merely with his name as well. It's utterly undisciplined way to call.

5- Buy for your children useful stories, note books, drawing books and pens. It will let the love for reading and writing be habitual to them. The frequent looks at such things and incessant use of them will develop in your children the intimacy and sheer love for reading and writing, and teach them how to masterly deal with such things and beautifully utilize them as well.

6- Let the love for the beauty and wish to be in a nice and well-arranged appearance be typically usual to your children. No matter how beautiful and clean the mother is, her child's cleanliness and appearance tell how much she really cares the cleanliness and purity.

7- Never complain to anybody the wickedness of your children while they are hearing beside you. Because it will let them feel somehow victorious and powerful and let them know that you are unable to mend them, then they will turn more stubborn. Whilst before you expressed your weariness in their presence to mend them they were somehow afraid of you.

8- Let it be customary to your children to have a special diary to note down the useful paragraphs, beautiful stories, aphorisms, poems and puzzles. Tell them: Feel free to note down from any source, be it newspaper or book. Whenever they finished up with three pages ask them to read out to you whatever they noted down. Then recommend them to reshuffle the useful lines and retain them and remove the useless ones. It will enable you to develop in them the great talents that will be beneficial to them in future. Such as love for reading and compiling the book, widening their cultural and educational horizons and grasping the difference between waste and useful materials.

The preaching ideas in house

Place a nice-looking small box homogeneous to other articles of house in colour in a room where everybody can see it with a beautifully scribbled line on it, that reads "Donation box".

The donation box at your house will help you develop in your children the nature of generosity. You will be first to have the benefit of such act when you grow old. At that time you will be in need to their generosity, then why don't you let the generosity be firmly ingrained in their nature right from now?

Dear sister!

Sometimes you may not have sufficient funds to donate, then why don't you help others to donate. Everybody who enters the house will see this box, sometimes he may drop some money in it, but sometimes he may probably follow your pursuit and also place a donation box in his home. It will enlist you as one of those who popularized a good trend. You will

get its reward and reward of those as well who followed it until the Day of Resurrection.

Notice board

What about hanging a notice board in drawing room and another in living room with some beautifully written legal opinions (Fatwa) on it? You can also advertise some cassettes through the notice board in a way that it seems to be publicizing the cover of the cassette. You can also place on it some aphorisms and useful notes taken out from effective magazines. The fonts should be larger enough to be easily visible to all when it is hung up on the board. To make the board more attractive decorate it with some aesthetically enticing designations.

After a period of time replace the contents of the notice boards with others to let your husband, children, parents and brothers learn. On the other hand the notice boards in drawing room will be beneficial to everybody who enters your home and it will suffice you to popularize a good trend as well.

Arrange some space to have a small library in drawing room or at least put some books on the table in drawing room. Your guest will surely have to wait some

times while you are busy preparing coffee or refreshments and he may get bored of waiting. In such a moment, the Qur'an and some useful books with effective contents and beautiful covers are really apt to serve as an effective source of Dawa (invitation). The guest will probably stretch his hand to pick up a book to read. Thus it will let you help a Muslim **use his time effectively** and you will get the reward by the permission of Allah as well.

My preaching sister! The simplicity and the lack of lavishness in your house accommodations is an efficient way to a pragmatically successful preaching, because the clear image of your house reflects whether it is really a sincere preacher's house or not, whereas the cleanliness and disciplines in you and your children leave the impressions of profound effects on the mind of everybody who enters your house.

It's also a form of Dawa (preaching) to put a wooden or aluminium bar from inside in front of street gate, so the scenario inside home can't be exposed to outside when the street gate is opened suddenly.

The successful preacher knows well the value of time. That's why you see that she is very fast and dynamic in her movements while finishing up her duties without being interrupted by hastiness as if she is a bee shifting from one flower to another in a very delicate and dexterous way. In the same amount of time in which you finish out one preaching activity you can simultaneously finish out two or more preaching activities. The time is your life and the house is your asset. So try to come up with innovative things during your lifetime and make your house an abode of obedience to Allah.

I'm sure that you will present delicious sweets in a beautiful tray to your guest. I'm to guide you to another kind of sweet to serve your guests. Present some cassettes and useful booklets in a nice-looking small basket along with sweet tray as a delicious sweet to heart and soul.

You can also put some cassettes and booklets inside beautiful envelopes and arrange them on some of the well-placed table in a way that every invitee can handpick her gift before she departs your home.

Here is an idea for kitchen also.

The kitchen is a place where you spend a fair amount of your time so there should be a special tape recorder for kitchen to listen the Qur'an recital and some cassettes of lectures and beautiful poems. Put the cassettes on the shelf of kitchen in well arranged order to let every lady of house use them while busy in kitchen. Some visitor to your home may see it and try to follow you. Then you are as if you popularized a good trend.

This idea will earn you a lot of rewards because you are remembering Allah and saving your time from going in vain.

Again in the kitchen....

At the same time be eager to prepare delicate dishes. It will not take much of your precious time and make you a seasoned chef to your husband. Simultaneously you are a good cook and a successful preacher too who knows how to save the time.

Allah SWT said:

وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ

"And I did not create the jinn and mankind except to worship Me."

(Adh-Dhaariyat 51: Verse 56)

Allah did not say: Except to eat. So take the things according to their importance, follow the right path and be steadfast.

Preaching ideas with family and in household sessions

Your family members are the most valuable individuals to you.

Allah SWT said:

وَأَنْذِرْ عَشِيرَتَكَ الْأَقْرَبِينَ

"And warn, [O Muhammad], your closest kindred."

(Ash-Shu'araa 26: Verse 214)

You should have a lion share (big share) for them.

When you visit your family members try to find out loopholes in the belief of every individual and try to mend them with the methods of diverse and different orientations.

For instance: Negotiate with them directly or indirectly and present to them the best ideals...useful stories cassettes and booklets.

Generally the persistent process of negotiating along with diverse wisdom is expected to bring forth the best results or at least some results.

But don't be disappointed! Negotiate with them to know their problems then try to help them solve the problems they have. Don't expect the results to come

quickly. The quickness creates the problem in the way of preaching.

Sometimes you may plant the tree and others enjoy the fruits. It is also somehow probable that you see the fruits while you are alive. If you are not alive others will see them after your death. Anyway the credit of plantation will directly go to you. The reward of invitation to Allah is sufficient for you. It's a great blessing.

The Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, "He who calls others to follow the Right Guidance will have a reward equal to the reward of those who follow him, without their reward being diminished in any respect on that account." [Muslim]

Dear preacher sister! It's necessary to hold a session with family members.

The sessional meeting either can be held weekly comprising a small number of people or monthly comprising a large number of people.

The attendees of meeting either can be of family members or all relatives.

Are you a bit concerned with such sessions?

Here is a market for a lucrative trade. Offer your merchandise, please us with your active service and let the community of Muhammad (Peace be upon him) take pride in such women like you who made the Islam their greatest concern. Be a crown to head, light to forehead, and life to unaware people and revive the spirit of Islam in the hearts of deceased people as well.

Allah SWT said:

أَوْ مَن كَانَ مَيِّتًا فَأَحْيَيْنَاهُ وَجَعَلْنَا لَهُ نُورًا يَمْشِي بِهِ فِي النَّاسِ كَمَن مَّتَلَّهُ
فِي الظُّلُمَاتِ لَيْسَ بِخَارِجٍ مِّنْهَا ۚ

"And is one who was dead and We gave him life and made for him light by which to walk among the people like one who is in darkness, never to emerge therefrom?"

(Al-An'aam 6: Verse 122)

Here are some preaching ideas to you to get benefits from the family sessions.

A- A useful tip: Prepare a short speech of less than half an hour on the mortality of world, enticement to Paradise and good deeds, fear of Hell and the aftermath of sins in order to revive a custom that died or is about to die. You can also describe some complications related to Taharah (purity) of which the most women are incognizant.

B- Cassette competition: Select some nice cassettes on educational topics, friendly to the knowledge level of your family that can provide solutions to their weakness.

Select for instance on the topic of creed, jurisprudence, awe and enticement etc.

While preparing the questions for competition select the questions with short answers, because the purpose of such competition is to listen the cassette and gain benefits not to copy the whole cassette on the answer sheet. The questions with long answers will generate the carelessness and divert the weak hearted women from participation.

C- Qur'an memorizing competition:

Here are some tips to follow:

1- Competition to memorize the Surah and verses that are especially excellent in virtues and qualities: such as Suratul Mulk, Ayatul Kursi, the last verses of Suratul Baqarah and first ten verses of Suratul Kahf etc.

2- Memorizing the 29th part of Qur'an. Every session should end with the recital of one surah.

3- Memorizing the last part of Qur'an (Juz Amm) is very apt to elders and to those who face difficulty in memorizing or those who are engaged in their works. It should be done with selecting out some short surah serial wise as they are in Qur'an. Thus they can gradually memorize the last part of Qur'an.

For instance: In the upcoming family session we will be done with the recital of following surah.

Al-Falq, Al-Ikhlās, Al-Masad, An-Nasr, Alkafirun, Al-kauthar, Al-Ma'un, Quraish.

After they finished with memorizing them decrease the number of Surah required to memorize according to the length of Surah.

4- Sometimes there may be some individuals in the family who memorized full Qur'an by God's grace. Then it is possible for you to hold a competition for them to memorize Suratul Baqarah or another long Surah. One part or half part recital can easily be done in every session.

5- If the memory levels of your family members and relatives are very different you can divide them into two categories for the competition, first to memorize the part of Tabarak (29th part) and second to memorize the part of Amm (30th part) to let all gain benefits generally. Whoever is interested to participate in both of them, it's well.

D- The Quiz

The quiz competition can be held with some useful easy and quick questions. It's very important for you to be assured of the accuracy of the information. You can briefly comment as well on the answers in a fascinating way of preaching.

For instance: If the question is "Describe the three names of the Day of Resurrection".

After the answers from the participants it will be so nice to succinctly comment in a way that sounds to be full of meekness and fear of Allah. For instance: Did you see dear sisters how the Day of Resurrection has different names and every name seems to be terribly hammering the hearts. Thus when a thing is critically tremendous it is described with multiple names. We ask Allah to save you and us on that day. Try to focus on the questions that tend to rectify some errors in creeds and worships and avoid useless questions. Useless questions are just a futile attempt to acquire what is already acquired. It's not bad to ask some entertaining and puzzling questions to let people be active and feel humorous along with gaining the benefits simultaneously.

E- On the occasion of some family functions buying and selling activities also took place between the women. You can also participate in such activities through the agreement with some seller that you will give her some pamphlets and cassettes to sell them along with other products. In order to encourage her you can also promise her to give some incentives.

F- You can follow a wonderful idea of distributing some digits among the attendees of periodic family session before the session ends select one digit and fix a symbolic gift for the one who holds this selected digit for maintaining good relations with her kith and kin and for her eagerness to attend such sessions, before you present her the gift ask her to state before the audience in nutshell some useful information about maintaining the good relations with kith and kin or disciplines of gathering or about the training of children etc.

G- Have you ever thought of issuing a family magazine?

Issue a family magazine and let everybody participate in its preparation and let them be immensely happy to see that it is a new-born magazine of their session that will develop and grow under their patronage and will be like a fragrant rose to be smelt by every individual of the family. Entitle it if you like as Family Magazine, Family Digest or Periodical. You are free to come up with innovative names and designs.

Here are some tips to help you prepare this magazine with the permission of Allah:

Here are some necessary steps to be taken for the success of magazine.

- 1- Surety about the authenticity of the information.
- 2- The pages shouldn't be more than ten to avoid the boredom.
- 3- The name of Magazine and copy number should be written on the cover page. You are free to come up with aesthetic innovations to design the cover page especially and the whole magazine generally. Don't forget to write "Bismillah" on the first page.
- 4- The magazine particularly should be of religious nature because its target is to enrich the religious culture. So the nature of magazine should be obviously surfaced and its identity shouldn't be overshadowed among the other diverse contents.
- 5- Avoid the jokes because they are probably based on lie. The scholars have opined that it's unlawful to tell the false jokes.

Prophet (s.a.w) said:

"Woe to the one who talks about something to make the people laugh, in which he lies. Woe to him! Woe to him!"

(Narrated Imam Tirmizi and graded it as Hasan)

The jokes also tend to ridicule some Muslims such as there was a person from Said (A city in Egypt) there was an Indian etc. Allah has prevented us from such jokes.

Allah SWT said:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا لَا يَسْخَرُ قَوْمٌ مِّنْ قَوْمٍ عَسَىٰ أَن يَكُونُوا خَيْرًا مِّنْهُمْ وَلَا نِسَاءٌ مِّنْ نِّسَاءٍ عَسَىٰ أَن يَكُنَّ خَيْرًا مِّنْهُنَّ ^ط

"O you who have believed, let not a people ridicule [another] people; perhaps they may be better than them; nor let women ridicule [other] women; perhaps they may be better than them."

(Al-Hujuraat 49: Verse 11)

6- You can add some of these sections.

A- (Medical Query) It will be so fine to particularize this section for women and children.

B- (Beauty Tips) In this section put forward some natural herbal remedies to beautify the skin and hairs etc.

C- (Kitchen Solutions) Under this section describe some good and short recipes to help your Muslim sisters save their times and not to waste a lot of times in kitchen.

D- Add for entertainment number games, puzzles, jumbled sentences, the game of "Who is he" and some crisscrossed words.

Previously mentioned things in sentence number 6 should not be in more than two pages, because they are not main target of the magazine. They are just appendices to add charms to the magazine.

7- How lovely it would be if you decorate the magazine with a short, interesting and lesson-giving story!

8- There should be miscellaneous cultural and religious titbits sandwiched between the pages of magazine.

9- Some space should be for different consultations.
For example:

A- How to win your husband?

B- How to train your children?

C- The art of behaving with others.

E- Solutions to the family problems.

10- The more artistic qualities your magazine owns the better it appears. It depends on efforts and subtle taste. Show us your talents O, the daughter of Islam!

11- You can particularize one page for Fatwas (Legal opinions) with the name of Mufti (Juris consult) and the reference as well to enhance the importance.

12- It is important for all the members of family to cooperate to issue the magazine and work turn wise to facilitate the contribution to it to let every individual feel that this magazine belongs to her and its benefit will return to her. There should be a patron to oversee the every copy of magazine before it gets issued to be assured of authenticity of the information, to avoid the repetition and make the topics friendly to the members of family.

Dear sister! These are some different ideas to issue a family magazine, follow among them what is more easy to you. I wish that your magazine will be as beautiful as you are. It may be a substitute to the electronic magazine for the family. May Allah guide your steps.

H- Don't you notice dear preacher sister that in most of the large family sessions some people don't know about others except for their first name, however, they meet each other in every session after every one or two months, they neither talk to each other nor sit near by either for the rush or for shyness.

Sometimes completely one year elapses on these sessions but they don't get to know or be acquainted with the individuals of the family.

Doesn't this shortcoming need a seasoned preacher like you to be mended? What do you think?

Then there should be a woman as special guest for the session as the honourable guest of family session. Give her any title of your choice.

Distribute some digits among the attendees then unanimously select a particular digit to let the person

who holds this digit be the guest of session. Then start a formal meeting with her.

Ask her some simple questions. For instance:

1- Your full name?

2- Education Qualification and employment?

3- Number of your children with their names and academic standards?

4- Tell us how do you spend your free times along with some best ideas to spend free times?

5- Do you have any word to gift the attendees?

6- The best book you ever read or the best cassette you ever listened?

7- Tell us any funny or tragic incident that ever happened to you.

8- Give us some tips regarding bringing up the children.

9- We all are trying to memorize Qur'an or at least some Surahs. What is your schedule to memorize the Glorious Qur'an?

10-The figure that impressed you a lot and you consider him as your ideal to follow, and why did you choose him as your ideal?

11- Any ambition that you ask Allah to fulfil it in the imminent future?

12- Any particular Zikra or supplication you frequently recite it?

Dear preacher! You can choose some of these questions to ask the guest of session.

Then you can present her any special gift for her excellent answers.

The pamphlet competition :

Distribute any pamphlet unique in its topic.

For instance: A pamphlet titled (The Islamic Creed From the Qur'an and authentic Sunnah) by Jameel Zenu or other important pamphlet. Then the oral questions in the upcoming session will be based on the pamphlet distributed in the previous session. You can also hold a written competition based on any important pamphlet. Then declare the names of winners and honour them with awards.

I- Honouring the winner sisters

Allah SWT said:

هَلْ جَزَاءُ الْإِحْسَانِ إِلَّا الْإِحْسَانُ

"Is the reward for good [anything] but good?"

(Ar-Rahmaan 55: Verse 60)

So we should honour every sister who participated in half or all competitions. It should be in the end of every year on the occasion of family session. Nothing will be as beautiful as presenting a white rose covered with modesty along with the certificate of appreciation and thanks. Such an activity sounds to be very simple but it has great meanings.

J- During the family sessions you may find some woman who considers the lavishness a kind of generosity, so she spends extravagantly on dinner and pre and post dinner refreshments as if we attend the session only to fill up our stomachs.

The time when people were concerned to satiate their stomachs has passed long ago, now we are concerned to satiate our minds. Thanks to Allah the food is available. We will never die of hunger if we are

satisfied with sufficient amount of food to honour our guest and please our Lord.

The lavishness in preparing the dinner leads to:

1- The weariness to the housewife and she starts to prepare for the banquet before two days. In the night of family session you will find housewife exhausted, unable to be amiable and socialized with her guests. The dinner makes her concerned subsequently it results in her failure to get advantage of ongoing activities during the session.

2- In the first session the husband welcomes the guest but when the session frequently takes place in such an extravagant manner he resorts to prevent his wife from such family sessions or ask her not to invite them because it costs him a lot of expenses. It's more probable with such husband who is not concerned about keeping good relations with kith and kin.

3- The women start to contend each other in other sessions to prepare a variety of foods. Their attitudes bear witness that they are not less than others. Thus they open up a wide door to boast about their extravagance and lavishness.

Between these trifle things the fundamental target of the family sessions gets lost and sometimes the sessions come to a dead end because of the lavishness in dinner.

Dear sister! By following the activities mentioned above through the family sessions you can confer on your family members especially on those who are nearest to you a great deal of knowledge fortunes that will help them to acquire the primary Sharia knowledge that will help them exactly walk on the right path of life without being confused.

It is sufficient for you to be one of those who got the reward of responding to the call of Allah.

وَأَنْذِرْ عَشِيرَتَكَ الْأَقْرَبِينَ

"And warn, [O Muhammad], your closest kindred."

(Ash-Shu'araa 26: Verse 214)

It will you give comfort to your heart and satisfaction to your soul that you did your best towards your family and did not keep regretting like the one who says: If she had not been reckless she would have been the most beneficial to her family and Allah would have benefitted her family by her.

Dear sister! Why do you blame people and your family of being wrong and why don't we blame ourselves of recklessness in inviting them to Allah and to rectify their errors through various preaching methods and diverse invitation resources. Some of the methods have been described in this book by me.

Dear preacher sister! The door to rewards is wide open for you

Allah SWT said:

وَقَرْنَ فِي بُيُوتِكُنَّ

"And abide in your houses."

(Al-Ahzaab 33: Verse 33)

The house is a fertile field of preaching, the sons and daughters and sometimes some relatives such as grandfather, grandfather, uncle and aunt all are there in house.

Children, the beloved ones to hearts are also in house. The house is the epicentre for the preaching activity. So try to make your children and brothers memorize the Qur'an and make it one of your daily primary chores. It can be done by frequently reciting some particular short Surahs in different times, while you are helping them wear their dresses or while you are in the car or before going to sleep. Only after passing one week your child will memorize well this surah with permission of Allah. Then you can start with another Surah in next week. Let me give you a live example. A five year old daughter of one of my sisters for the

cause of Allah memorized four parts of the Book of Allah. O, God!! It's only due to God's grace then the untiring efforts and firm resolution of her parents to let her memorize the Book of Allah. May Allah reward their parents. Don't forget dear nice sister that if you make anyone memorize the Book of Allah it will continue to give you the rewards as the Prophet (Peace be upon him) said: (or a copy of the Qur'an that he leaves as a legacy).

Imagine the moment when you will be in grave between the walls of earth and under the dune of dirt while your descendants and those whom you taught the Book of Allah are alive reading what they memorized to shower down the rewards upon you, in such a time when you would be in dire need of rewards they will not let your good deed be stopped.

For instance: You taught a three year old child Suratul Ikhlas then you passed away. This child will continue to know and recite it and when he reaches the puberty will recite it in the Salat and will repeat it for the purpose of Zikra, before sleep and after the essential prayers will read it as well. He may teach it someone else then he will also read it. All the rewards of such deeds will be credited to you.

لِمِثْلِ هَذَا فَلْيَعْمَلِ الْعَامِلُونَ

"For the like of this let the workers [on earth] work."

(As-Saaffaat 37: Verse 61)

O, Allah! Let us do what pleases you and keep us away from what displeases you.

Preaching ideas with friends

When a well-versed and seasoned preacher hears the complains of her friend either from her parents and husband or from her children she deals with them wisely, so she doesn't let the matter be critically horrendous rather she politely expresses her disapproval and lets her friend be secured from hurts.

Dear Sister! Let those who express their pains to you be relaxed and tell them the aphorisms and the stories of those who were subjected to more panic afflictions in order to ease their pains. Remind them that they are not afflicted in their religion and souls. Except for these two things all the afflictions are easy to endure. Allah rewards the patient ones with no limits.

Woe to such friend who makes the matter horribly critical and lets the minor things seem to be precarious and brings upon her friend the depression and vehement melancholy. By God, such friends are insincere in the friendship and not much concerned about it.

You can apply previously mentioned method to your friends along with the preaching ideas for the family sessions.

Have you ever experienced the idea of having an agreement with your friend?

Yes, it's very important to have agreement. Some clauses of the agreement are as follows:

- 1- Agreement on not being indulged in backbiting when we sit together.
- 2- You will tell me and I will tell you as well what takes us closer to Allah.
- 3- You will be a mirror to me and I will be a mirror to you to reflect our errors in order to get them rectified.

Have you ever thought of creating a preacher out of your friend?

Well, hold her hands to encourage her and to support her. Let her qualities be elevated and urge her to seek the Sharia knowledge and to invite people to Allah.

Often talk to her about preaching, about its significance and how much people need it. If we the

daughters of Islam don't carry out the preaching then who else would be there to start it.

Dear sister! Don't get deceived by those who dismissed the preaching, they may have some excuses that hamper them. The good result is up to good conclusion and the successful ones are those who are glad in Hereafter.

There should be a monthly session with your sisters for the cause of Allah to let them accompany you in walking on the way of happiness. By Allah's will you will be happy to see them renew your energy and uplift your courage. You will get benefits of their experiences of life and preaching as well.

The presence of such blessed faces of believer ladies beside you is of great benefits to you.

They will firmly hold your hands in love and affection and say to you: Go ahead with the blessings of Allah. We all are here to be with you on this long and difficult way.

The way of preaching....

Paradise is surrounded by difficulties.

Preaching ideas with neighbours

Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, "O Muslim women! No one of you should consider insignificant (a gift) to give to her neighbour even if it is (a gift of) the trotters of a sheep".

You possess something that is of more significance than the trotters of a sheep, then why do you consider it insignificant enough to be sent to your neighbour. If your neighbour is one of those whom you can figure out with their characteristics of not asking people persistently, by helping her you can bring her some prosperity and fulfil her needs to some extent. It will enable you to win the pleasure of Allah and please a dejected heart of which only its creator is Cognizant.

If your neighbour is of those whom Allah has enriched by His bounty it will be as if you are sending her a beautiful gift to let her realize that she is precious to you and the relationship between you and her is very strong.

It's sufficient for your hope to get rewarded that you followed the instructions given by Messenger of Allah (Peace be upon him) regarding neighbours.

You should know that your gifts should not merely be confined to edible items. You should get accustomed to gift your neighbours with every beneficial cassette you listened and every useful book you came across according to their knowledge and intellect level.

Such deeds will get you back to the revival of Sunnah and effacement of heretical practices and let you invite people to Allah from your house as well.

It is fascinating and interesting to meet neighbours. It becomes more fascinating and exquisitely beautiful when it's accompanied by remembrance of Allah.

Let others get benefits from the knowledge that Allah has bestowed upon you.

Be ready! Let your neighbours meet you weekly or monthly to let them get benefitted from each other. Thus you will be as a radiant light to illuminate the village where you live. All the neighbouring houses will be illuminated by your radiating light.

Preaching ideas with servants

Dear sister you can encourage your servants to memorize some surahs from Glorious Quran such as some surahs of juz Amm (the last part of Quran) and Ayatul Kursi and last verses of suratul Baqarah. It's very important to fix the certain amounts of Quran to be listened at the end of every week according to their strength.

You can also let other servants participate in this good act such as servants of relatives, family, sisters and brothers to spread the good deed. Present the consolation prize to those who finished with memorizing to help them continue with their process.

Don't forget to provide your servants a translated copy of Qur'an into their language so they can exactly understand the meanings of Quran and also give them some cassettes and translated booklets to let them learn the fundamentals of the religion. By God it's very shameful for you to let them return to their country after living in the country of Tawheed (Monotheism) for five or six years with no increase in their knowledge about religion and love for Prophet (Peace be upon

him). Such booklets and cassettes are easily available in the office of preaching and orientation (Dawa wal Irshad) and awakening the foreign communities.

Talk to your servants at least once a week for half to one hour and explain to them fundamentals of the religion such as how exactly perform the ablution and pray and be away from the Shirk (Association of others with Allah) and all heretic practices.

Talk to them about Paradise, Hell, and Day of Resurrection and Reckoning along with the elaboration of major sins.

Hope to get rewarded if they return to their family as preacher. Then you will be as if you not only delivered the essence of preaching beyond the walls of your house but you traversed with it the frontiers of your country to the remote countries of the world.

Dear sister! Don't you feel shy when you continue to scold your servant for an hour for her default in fetching you something you ordered, sometimes you continue to rebuke her for some consecutive days whereas you don't have even five minutes to politely say her:

O, Dear! God bless you, don't forget to remember Allah while busy working with two heavy words in scale "Subhanallahi Wabihamdihi, Subhanallahi Al-Alzeem" [Glory be to Allah and His is the praise, (and) Allah, the Greatest is free from imperfection]'. " hundred times. One thousand good deeds will be recorded for you.

Miscellaneous preaching ideas

Image album

Collect various information and miscellaneous nice writing pieces that you noted down on the colourful pages, be they from the useful magazines or the pages of Hijri calendars, to make up an album. Try to make it beautifully ornamented with your aesthetic innovations then lay it open to your family, relatives and friends to let them enjoy its contents and get benefitted from it. You can also bring it out to the school teachers and students as you can also show it in the fair of annual school function.

If you are a teacher or student or the mother or sister of a student you shouldn't be quite careless about issuing a wall magazine on weekly basis to layout various types of heterogeneous knowledge every week through this magazine.

The gift, do you know the importance of gift?

The gift works as healing balm immediately after you apply it to the open wound it gets recovered.

It is like cold snow that works as an antidote to extinguish the blazing fire. It is quite enough to know the importance of gift that Our Prophet (Peace be upon him) has recommended it and he himself used to accept it.

Here are some more preaching ideas for you regarding gifts.

1- Gift anyone of your family members or friends or any individual of your choice with free subscription to any Islamic magazine for one year.

Don't say that she will never read it. This thought is from Satan. At least she will surely read one copy and it will also be available to her husband, guests and children to read. You won't get deprived of its reward with the permission of Allah.

2- Gift someone who is going to get married with some cassette or book about the beautiful matrimonial life. If it helps her get a beautiful matrimonial life you will be a benefactor who contributed to establish a healthy

and a sound Muslim family that can wisely deal with the problems of life. The credit will go to you after Allah.

3- Gift your sisters with some cassettes and booklets on the topic of "obedience to parents" and "maintaining good relations with kith and kin". Both are of crucial importance that can be abided only by a believer.

4- It's also a best idea to gift time to time the children of family the cassettes of some short Surahs in child voice or any purposeful story or beautiful song. You can gift one cassette for every house for all the children of the house.

Thus you can have a real constructive hand to preserve the young generation of Ummah who can be a pride of the Ummah if we carefully train them. You should specially take care of your children, the children of your brothers and sisters then the children of those who are nearest to you.

Generally the women come to visit when someone of their relatives give birth to a new child. Their visits sometimes seem to be entirely different from those of others. It's their intention that makes them as different

from each other as the sky from earth. Every person gets what he intends.

Someone may come unwillingly only to fulfil the formality of visit and wait for the time to get over as soon as possible. Some others may come only to entertain and pass the time. Their crowd and long stay sometimes bother the mother of child. This is how people seem to be different in their traits and goals. Allah knows better about them.

But you the preacher should not keep yourself apart from the anticipation of the rewards in these visits. What would you anticipate?

1- Anticipate the reward of visiting a sick person.

Ibne Hibban narrated in his Sahih with authentic chain of narrators that Hazrat Ali said: Messenger of Allah said: When a Muslim visits another (sick) Muslim Allah sends seventy thousands angels who pray for him all the day until evening and all the hours of night until morning.

Prayer from Angels means to invoke Allah and ask forgiveness of Allah for the person who visits a sick Muslim.

The prayer of angels for the servant of Allah bears a virtual effect to lead him to the right path and bring him out from the darkness to the light.

Allah SWT said:

هُوَ الَّذِي يُصَلِّي عَلَيْكُمْ وَمَلَائِكَتُهُ لِيُخْرِجَكُم مِّنَ الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ ۗ

"It is He who confers blessing upon you, and His angels [ask Him to do so] that He may bring you out from darkness into the light."

(Al-Ahzaab 33: Verse 43)

2- Anticipate the reward of maintaining good relations with kith and kin, especially when you have the close relation with the person whom you are visiting such as aunts, maternal aunts, uncles and maternal uncles and their descents. Your visit to her will please her relatives so it will be as maintaining good relations with them indirectly such as visiting sister-in-law, aunt and maternal aunt and wife of cousin. Such visit that hardly lasts half an hour you will make you one of those by

permission of Allah who have been appreciated by Allah In His Glorious saying:

Allah SWT said:

وَالَّذِينَ يَصِلُونَ مَا أَمَرَ اللَّهُ بِهِ أَنْ يُوصَلَ وَيَخْشَوْنَ رَبَّهُمْ وَيَخَافُونَ سُوءَ الْحِسَابِ

وَالَّذِينَ صَبَرُوا ابْتِغَاءَ وَجْهِ رَبِّهِمْ وَأَقَامُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَأَنْفَقُوا مِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ سِرًّا وَعَلَانِيَةً وَيَدْرَءُونَ بِالْحَسَنَةِ السَّيِّئَةَ أُولَئِكَ لَهُمْ عُقْبَى الدَّارِ

جَنَّاتٍ عَدْنٍ يَدْخُلُونَهَا وَمَنْ صَلَحَ مِنْ آبَائِهِمْ وَأَزْوَاجِهِمْ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِمْ وَالْمَلَائِكَةُ يَدْخُلُونَ عَلَيْهِمْ مِنْ كُلِّ بَابٍ

"And those who join that which Allah has ordered to be joined and fear their Lord and are afraid of the evil of [their] account,"

And those who are patient, seeking the countenance of their Lord, and establish prayer and spend from what We have provided for them secretly and publicly and prevent evil with good - those will have the good consequence of [this] home -"

"Gardens of perpetual residence; they will enter them with whoever were righteous among their fathers, their spouses and their descendants. And the angels will enter upon them from every gate,"

(Al-Ra'd: 21-24)

You will also be one of those for whom the Rahm (kinship) prays: O, Allah! Connect the one who connects me.

What do you wish to have greater than the connection of Allah for you?

3-You can also anticipate the reward of making a Muslim woman glad.

The sick lady becomes immensely glad to see the visitors, her energy will get refreshed and she will feel that she is important to them and they love her as well.

I wonder! How much of her pains will be eased by your visit to her especially when you are close to her soul and heart.

Messenger of Allah (Peace be upon him) said:

Whosoever meets his brother with something that he loves in order to make him happy, Allah will make him happy on the Day of Resurrection.

[Narrated by Tibrani with sound chain of narratives (isnad Hasan)]

4- Visit for the sake of preaching and setting a good example.

Yes, a Muslim woman invites people to Allah with her characters and to set a good example for all with her behaviours. All these visits are the pragmatic aspects of Dawaa which irrigate the seeds of goodness in the hearts with the water of truth to let the tree of belief grow with the permission of Allah in the hearts of people and to let your eyes be cool when you see them.

5- Visit in order to enjoin the good and forbid the evil.

When you leave your home with the intention that if you see an evil you will change it into good, you will enjoin the good and help people spread the good, you will get the reward of good intention with the permission of Allah. No matter you applied your intention to action or not.

The saying of Allah in Hadith Qudsi bears witness to that:

If my servant intends good but did not do it, I record one complete good in his favour, but if he intends it and also did it, I record ten to seven hundred virtues.
(Narrated by Muslim)

6- What about giving a gift to your sick sister in order to please her heart? It will enable you to maintain good relations with your kith and kin and to ease her burden if the gift is in cash, especially when your sister is facing financial problem you can help her with gift without hurting her emotions thus you can completely apply what Prophet Muhammad Sallallahu alaihi wasallam said: Give presents to each other and love each other.

What about giving some cassettes and booklets on bringing up the children? It is really a great idea as it helps you guide your sister to the good and help a Muslim woman to bring up her children on the straight way.

Hope all these children will be the flag bearers of "La ilaha illallah Muhammadur Rasulullah" (There is no god but Allah and Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah). Allah does not allow the reward of anyone who did well to be lost.

The End

No doubt, we all are concern about Islam and it is the only characteristic that differentiates the preacher woman from others. She always deeply thinks how to be beneficial for her religion.

I ask Allah to make beneficial what I mentioned in this book and let all Muslim men and women get benefitted from this book.

I will never forget all my sisters for the cause of Allah who benefitted me with their suggestions and advices.

I ask Allah to grant us the sincerity and acceptance and forgive my shortcomings and mistakes. There is no power and no strength except with Allah the Great and Exalted.

O Allah, You are free from every imperfection; praise be to You. I testify that there is no true god except You; I ask Your Pardon and turn to You in repentance. May Allah send down His blessings and peace upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family and all his companions. All praises is due to Allah the Lord of the Aalameen, praise which is abundant, pure and full of blessings, praise that befits the Glory of the Face of our Lord and the Greatness of His Might.