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The Benefits and Harms of Marriage

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The Benefits of Marriage

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The Benefits of Marriage

1. Children
2. Protecting oneself from desires
3. Bringing cheer and intimacy to the soul through companionship
4. Freeing the heart through division of labor
5. Refining the Soul by fulfilling the rights of one's spouse

5. Refining the Soul by fulfilling the rights of one's family:

- Patience with personalities and their harms
- Striving to guide and rectify them on Deen
 - Working hard to provide lawful income
 - Raising the Children (tarbiya)
- Sins forgiven through Worries for Family
 - The Benefits of Raising Daughters

The Benefits of Marriage

Only 2 types of people can benefit from this:

1. One who intends refinement of his soul through marriage so sees it as the start of his spiritual path.
2. One who worships outwardly but not on a spiritual path. Every service to family is a good deed, and work for the family is better than ritual acts.

The Potential Harms of Marriage

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1. The inability to stay within the Lawful (Halal)

- In earning Halal livelihood due to high costs
 - Providing Halal food
 - Following the whims of one's spouse
- Tempted to provide amenities and luxuries

Staying within the Lawful (Halal)

Very few are saved from this, except one who:

- a) Has inherited wealth
- b) Earns enough for his family with Halal work
 - through a trade or skill
 - or a profession unconnected from Rulers

AND has *contentment*, not wanting more

The Potential Harms of Marriage

2. Not fulfilling the rights of one's spouse

- Not putting up with their quirks and harms
 - How can you?
 - By staying silent
 - Affability
 - Pretending not to notice

The Potential Harms of Marriage

2. Not fulfilling the rights of one's spouse

- By keeping the family ignorant of Deen
- Not teaching or promoting Deen at home

The Potential Harms of Marriage

2. Not fulfilling the rights of one's spouse

- Neglecting or running away from Duties
 - Deatbeat/ Absentee Parent

The Prophet ﷺ said, "It is enough of a sin on a man to neglect those who depend on him."

The Potential Harms of Marriage

1. The inability to stay within the Lawful (Halal)
2. Not fulfilling the rights of one's spouse/family
3. When family distracts one from Allah
