



INTRODUCTION

Recap the foundation of BIRR being BELIEF IN ALLAH, THE LAST DAY, THE ANGELS, THE BOOK AND THE PROPHETS. Continuing with the manifestation of this belief/foundation on our behaviours...the first manifestation is ethical.

... And give away wealth despite their love for it to

1. Family
2. Orphans
3. Needy
4. Travellers
5. Those who ask
6. Those enslaved in debt..."



ELABORATE

- Focus on the first group - **ZHAWIL QURBA (Family)**
- Discuss the concept of family
- One's family is possibly the most precious institution on one's life.
- Family can be divided into close family and extended family. Close family includes parents and siblings, whilst an extended family includes uncles, aunts, cousins and so on.

Wealth need not be just financial - in fact the most precious 'MAAL' (wealth) today is TIME.

AHADITH FROM THE MA'SUMEEN

"At times it happens that a person doesn't have more than three years to live and then behaves well with relations and Allah extends his age tenfold"

Imam Ridha (pbuh)

"Observing good relations with one's family –

1. Averts calamities
2. Increases wealth
3. Prolongs one's life
4. Enhances means of sustenance
5. Makes one liked by others
6. Makes one's deeds sacred

So have Taqwa and be kind to your relations"

SUMMARY

"Treating family with compassion (even if it's with giving them a sip of water) postpones death and makes a human being praiseworthy."

Imam Sadiq (pbuh).

DISCUSSION POINTS

- a) Describe some special times that you enjoy with your family.
- b) Why are your parents, grandparents and siblings special to you?
- c) How does your family help you? How do you help your family?
- d) Is there someone in the family who has a special way of bringing people together? How can you learn from this person?