

AISR Sunday School

Held at the premises of ASIC on 1409 Burks Street SW Roanoke, VA 24015

Level 2

Memorization – Week 8

- ❑ Help kids memorize a surah according to each kid's level
- ❑ Help kids memorize the dhikr/dua below:

سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ وَلَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَاللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ

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- ❑ The Sahabah (Companions), may Allah be pleased with them, of the Prophet (saws) were the men, women and children who met the Prophet (saws), believed in him and died as Muslims. They loved the Prophet (saws) very much and the Prophet (saws) loved them too.
- ❑ In the early days of Islam, when the Prophet (saws) went through great hardship and difficulties, it was the Sahabah who stood by him. They also made great sacrifices for Islam. It is because of the Sahabah that we know so much about the Prophet (saws) and his life!
- ❑ The Sahabah are, after the Prophet (saws), the best people of this ummah. It is because of this, the Prophet (saws) advised the people, “Do not abuse my Sahabah! Do not abuse my Sahabah! By Him, in Whose hand is my life (i.e. Allah), if any of you spent gold equal to Mount Uhud (in Allah’s cause), it would not equal to a mudd or even half a mudd spent by one of (Sahabah).”
 - ❑ A mudd is about the amount one can hold in both hands when cupped together.
- ❑ One reason why the Sahabah are great is because they were the first in doing good actions and foremost in pleasing Allah. He is happy with all of them and they are, for us, role models; we need to follow them for Allah to be pleased with us.
- ❑ **Let’s look at some example of the Sahabah:**

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❑ **Abu Hurayrah's (ra) eagerness to learn from the Prophet (saws):**

- ❑ Abu Hurayrah, having been in the company of the Prophet (saws) day and night, is one of the Sahabah to have narrated the most number of ahadith from the Prophet (saws).
 - ❑ Ahadith mean the sayings, actions, habits, etc. of the Prophet (saws).
- ❑ He was most eager and observant in keeping the company of the Prophet (saws). He sacrificed a lot to remain in the company of the Prophet (saws) and learn from him. He was very poor and would remain hungry but still he would not leave the company of the Prophet (saws).
- ❑ Abu Hurayrah loved the Prophet (saws) a great deal and was one of the Sahabah for whom the Prophet (saws) made dua, as a result of which, Allah blessed him with a very strong memory.

❑ **Abdullah ibn Masud's (ra) devotion to the Prophet (saws)**

- ❑ Abdullah ibn Masud, before accepting Islam, used to remain busy taking care of sheep belonging to a man from Makkah.
- ❑ He accepted Islam at a very young age, making him amongst the early group of people who accepted Islam at the hands of the Prophet (saws).

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- ❑ After becoming Muslim, he decided to leave his job as a shepherd and instead devoted himself to the service and care of the Prophet (saws).
- ❑ He stayed close to the Prophet (saws) and took care of him. The Prophet (saws) gave him permission to enter his house frequently and people would often think that he was part of the Prophet's (saws) family!
- ❑ He would carry the Prophet's (saws) siwak, shoes and stick when he could.
- ❑ He always tried his best to be with the Prophet (saws) at all times, even on journeys and during battles. Because of remaining so close and attached to the Prophet (saws), Abdullah ibn Masud became one of the most knowledgeable Sahabah with regard to the Qur'an and the sunnah (the actions and the sayings of the Prophet (saws)).
- ❑ The Prophet (saws) mentioned Abdullah ibn Masud as one of the four people from whom people should learn the Qur'an!

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❑ **Nusaybah, the brave warrior**

- ❑ Nusaybah bint Ka'b (ra) was a female Companion of the Prophet (saws) who participated in many significant events and battles during the life of the Prophet (saws).
- ❑ During the Battle of Uhud, her love and care for the Prophet (saws) drove her to personally shield the Prophet (saws) from attack.
- ❑ At the beginning, her role in the battle was to give water to the soldiers and take care and provide medical help to the wounded.
- ❑ After the Muslim archers moved away from their positions and the enemies attacked and caused chaos, Nusaybah herself picked up a sword and a shield and rushed to the Prophet (saws) in order to protect and shield him and in the process she was wounded too!
- ❑ Seeing her braveness and how determined she was to protect the Prophet (saws) from harm, he was very pleased and asked Allah to make her and her family his Companions in Paradise.

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❑ **Children around the Prophet**

- ❑ The Prophet (saws) cared a lot for children and whenever he came across children, he should show love, care and attention to them. Children loved to be with him too.
- ❑ Jabir (ra) also says, “I came to the Prophet (saws) and found him moving around on his hands and knees with Hasan and Husayn on his back, and he was saying ‘What an excellent camel is your camel! And what excellent passengers you both are!’”
- ❑ The Prophet (saws) would also stroke the heads of children with the blessed hands as a sign of affection and care. Yusuf bin Abdullah says, “The Messenger of Allah (saws) named me Yusuf and let me sit with him. He would also stroke my head.”