

EPISODE 4

# DEEN BEFORE "I DO"

## SPOUSE INTERACTION

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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Surah Furqan

25:74

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّاتِنَا قُرَّةَ

الْأَبْصَارِ

Surah Az Zukhruf

43:70

ادْخُلُوا الْجَنَّةَ أَنْتُمْ وَأَزْوَاجُكُمْ يُخْبِرُونَ

# Surah At Taghabun

64:14

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِنِّ مِنْ أَزْوَاجِكُمْ وَأَوْلَادِكُمْ  
عَدُوًّا لَكُمْ فَاحْذَرُوهُمْ ۚ وَإِن تَعَفُوا وَتَصْفَحُوا  
وَتَغْفِرُوا فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ غَفُورٌ رَحِيمٌ ﴿١٤﴾



# Narrations

## Narration 24942



عَنْ جَابِرِ بْنِ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ قَالَ سَمِعْتُهُ يَقُولُ كُنَّا عِنْدَ النَّبِيِّ  
ص فَقَالَ: إِنَّ خَيْرَ نِسَائِكُمُ الْوَلُودُ الْوَدُودُ الْعَفِيفَةُ الْعَزِيزَةُ  
فِي أَهْلِهَا الذَّلِيلَةُ مَعَ بَعْلِهَا الْمُتَبَرِّجَةُ مَعَ زَوْجِهَا الْحَصَانُ عَلَى  
غَيْرِهِ الَّتِي تَسْمَعُ قَوْلَهُ وَتُطِيعُ أَمْرَهُ وَإِذَا خَلَا بِهَا بَدَلَتْ لَهُ مَا  
يُرِيدُ مِنْهَا وَلَمْ تَبَدِّلْ كَتَبَدِّلِ الرَّجُلِ.

The best of your women is the fertile, affectionate, chaste, and honored among her family, humble with her husband, adorning herself for her husband while guarding herself from others, who listens to his words and obeys his commands, and when alone with him gives him what he desires from her, but does not give freely like a man.



## Narration 24944



عَنْ سُلَيْمَانَ الْجَعْفَرِيِّ عَنْ أَبِي الْحَسَنِ الرَّضَاعِ قَالَ: قَالَ  
أَمِيرُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ ع خَيْرُ نِسَائِكُمُ الْخَمْسُ قِيلَ وَمَا الْخَمْسُ قَالَ  
الْهَيِّنَةُ اللَّيِّنَةُ الْمُؤَاتِيَةُ الَّتِي إِذَا غَضِبَ زَوْجُهَا لَمْ تَكْتَحِلْ  
بِغَمُضٍ حَتَّى يَرْضَى وَإِذَا غَابَ عَنْهَا زَوْجُهَا حَفِظَتْهُ فِي غَيْبَتِهِ  
فَتِلْكَ عَامِلَةٌ مِنْ عُمَّالِ اللَّهِ وَعَامِلُ اللَّهِ لَا يَخِيبُ.

He said: The gentle, soft, compliant one who, when her husband is angry, does not sleep until he is pleased, and when her husband is absent, she preserves him in his absence. Such a woman is a worker from among the workers of Allah, and Allah's worker never fails.



## Narration 24972



عَنْ جَمِيلِ بْنِ دَرَّاجٍ عَنْ أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ ع قَالَ: خَيْرُ  
نِسَائِكُمُ الَّتِي إِنْ غَضِبَتْ أَوْ أُغْضِبَتْ قَالَتْ لِزَوْجِهَا يَدِي  
فِي يَدِكَ لَا أَكْتَجِلُ بِغُمُضٍ حَتَّى تَرْضَى عَنِّي ...

From Jameel bin Darraj, from Abu Abdullah (peace be upon him) who said: The best of your women is she who, when she becomes angry or is made angry, says to her husband: My hand is in your hand, I will not sleep until you are pleased with me.



## Narration 24957



عَنْ جَابِرِ بْنِ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ قَالَ سَمِعْتُهُ يَقُولُ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ص أَلَا أُخْبِرُكُمْ بِشَرِّارِ نِسَائِكُمُ الدَّلِيلَةَ فِي أَهْلِهَا الْعَزِيزَةَ مَعَ بَعْلِهَا الْعَقِيمِ الْحُقُودَ الَّتِي لَا تَتَوَرَّعُ مِنْ قَبِيحِ الْمُتَبَرِّجَةِ إِذَا غَابَ عَنْهَا بَعْلُهَا الْحَصَانُ مَعَهُ إِذَا حَضَرَ لَا تَسْمَعُ قَوْلَهُ وَلَا تُطِيعُ أَمْرَهُ وَإِذَا خَلَا بِهَا بَعْلُهَا تَمَنَّعَتْ مِنْهُ كَمَا تَمْنَعُ الصَّعْبَةُ عِنْدَ (1) رُكُوبِهَا وَلَا تَقْبَلُ مِنْهُ عُدْرًا وَلَا تَغْفِرُ لَهُ ذَنْبًا.

**Shall I tell you about your worst women? The one who is humble with her family but arrogant with her husband, the barren one who holds grudges, who does not refrain from indecency, who displays herself when her husband is away but is reserved with him when he is present, who does not listen to his words and does not obey his commands, and when her husband is alone with her she refuses him like an untamed mount refuses to be ridden, who does not accept his excuses and does not forgive his mistakes.**



## Narration 24980



عَنْ حَفْصِ بْنِ الْبَخْتَرِيِّ عَنْ أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ ع قَالَ: مَثَلُ  
الْمَرْأَةِ الْمُؤْمِنَةِ مَثَلُ الشَّامَةِ فِي الثَّوْرِ الْأَسْوَدِ.

The example of a believing woman is like a black spot on a  
black bull.



## Narration 25004



عَنْ هِشَامِ بْنِ الْحَكَمِ عَنْ أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ ع قَالَ: إِذَا تَزَوَّجَ  
الرَّجُلُ الْمَرْأَةَ لِجَمَالِهَا أَوْ لِمَالِهَا وَكَلَّ إِلَى ذَلِكَ وَإِذَا تَزَوَّجَهَا  
لِدِينِهَا رَزَقَهُ اللَّهُ الْمَالَ وَالْجَمَالَ.

From Hisham bin Al-Hakam, from Abu Abdullah (peace be upon him) who said: When a man marries a woman for her beauty or wealth, he is left to depend on that alone, but when he marries her for her religion, Allah grants him wealth and beauty.



## Narration 24958



عَنِ الْحَسَنِ بْنِ مَحْبُوبٍ نَحْوَهُ وَزَادَ أَلَّا أُخْبِرُكُمْ بِخِيَارِ  
رِجَالِكُمْ قُلْنَا بَلَى يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ - قَالَ إِنَّ مِنْ خَيْرِ رِجَالِكُمْ  
التَّقِيَّ النَّقِيَّ السَّمْحَ الْكَفِيْنَ السَّلِيْمَ الطَّرْفِيْنَ الْبُرِّ بَوَالِدِيْهِ وَ  
لَا يُدْجِيْ عِيَالَهُ إِلَى غَيْرِهِ...

Shall I tell you about your best men? We said: Yes, O Messenger of Allah. He said: Among your best men is the pious and pure one, generous-handed, of sound character, dutiful to his parents, who does not force his dependents to seek help from others.



## Narration 24958



ثُمَّ قَالَ أَلَا أُخْبِرُكُمْ بِشَرِّ رَجَالِكُمْ فَقُلْنَا بَلَىٰ فَقَالَ إِنَّ مِنْ  
شَرِّ رَجَالِكُمُ الْبَهَّاتِ الْبَخِيلِ الْفَاحِشِ الْأَكِلِ وَحَدَهُ الْمَانِعِ  
رِفْدَهُ الضَّارِبِ أَهْلَهُ وَعَبْدَهُ الْمُلْجِيَّ عِيَالَهُ إِلَىٰ غَيْرِهِ الْعَاقِ  
بِوَالِدَيْهِ.

Then he said: Shall I tell you about your worst men? We said: Yes. He said: Among your worst men is the slanderer, the miser, the vulgar one, who eats alone, prevents his assistance to others, beats his family and servant, forces his dependents to seek help from others, and is disobedient to his parents.



## Narration 25082



عَنْ أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ ع قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ ص شَارِبُ  
الْحُمْرِ لَا يُزَوَّجُ إِذَا خَطَبَ.

from Abu Abdullah (peace be upon him) who said: The Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him and his family) said: A wine drinker should not be married to when he proposes.



## Narration 25086



عَنِ الْحُسَيْنِ بْنِ بَشَّارِ الْوَاسِطِيِّ قَالَ: كَتَبْتُ إِلَى أَبِي  
الْحَسَنِ الرَّضَا ع أَنَّ لِي قَرَابَةً قَدْ خَطَبَ إِلَيَّ وَفِي خُلُقِهِ  
سُوءٌ قَالَ لَا تُزَوِّجْهُ إِنْ كَانَ سَيِّئَ الْخُلُقِ.

From Al-Husayn bin Bishar Al-Wasiti who said: I wrote to Abu Al-Hasan Al-Ridha (peace be upon him): I have a relative who has proposed to me but he has bad character? He said: Do not marry him if he has bad character.





Questions?

## Family:

- Family beliefs and viewpoints concerning issues such as government, the current state of society, and contemporary concerns?
- Family's cultural values and thought processes?
- Would you characterize your family as modern, traditional, or somewhere in between?



## Family:

- If you were faced with a difficult family matter and sought advice, who would you confide in, and why? How much value do you place on this person's guidance?
- How would you describe your level of attachment to your mother and father?
- Role models?



## Emotional and Spiritual Matters:

- Could you share the types of personalities that tend to bother or irritate you?
- What specific circumstances or behaviours tend to provoke your anger?
- How do you manage your anger?
- Under what circumstances do you believe lying might be justifiable?

