

# Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) as Peacemaker.

Prophet Muhammad (P.B.U.H) is widely regarded as one of the history's great peacemakers. His life and teachings demonstrate an enduring commitment to resolving conflicts, fostering reconciliation and promoting justice. His actions as a leader were consistently guided by the principle that emphasized peace and harmony.

He was to be known as symbol of peace. Let's shed light on some of events of prophet's life where he set examples through peacemaking discourses.

## The Hijrah to Madina and first constitution.

The Hijrah to Madina in 622 C.E was a critical event in prophet's life. Upon arriving in Madina he demolished different groups of people and established the constitution, a pioneering document designed to ensure peace



and stability in diverse community. The constitution outlined the rights and responsibilities of various groups. (Muslims - Jews - Pagans).

### Quranic Guidance:

The believers are but brothers, so make settlement between your brother. (49:10).

### The treaty of Hudaibiyyah:

In 628 CE, prophet and his followers sought to perform the pilgrimage to Mecca. The Quraysh tribe of Mecca opposed them, leading to the treaty of Hudaibiyyah.

Although treaty seemingly disadvantageous to Muslims but led to a period of peace that allowed for the expansion and acceptance of Islam. It demonstrated Muhammad's strategic vision to long-term peace over immediate gains.

### The Conquest of Mecca:

In 630 C.E., Muhammad (PBUH) and his followers peacefully entered the Mecca



After years of conflict. Upon the conquest he chose a path of forgiveness and issued a general amnesty, declaring safety for those who had previously opposed him. His actions led to widespread acceptance of Islam and a harmonious integration of Meccan tribes.

### Quranic Guidance:

"Allah love those who act justly". (60:8)

### The farewell sermon:

During his farewell sermon he emphasized on key principles of peace, equality and justice. He called for the respect of life and property, equity among all Muslims and the importance of treating others with dignity and fairness. He urged his followers to embrace each other regardless of tribal and racial differences. It served as a reminder of peaceful coexistence.



# Prophet advices for peace:

Throughout his life prophet (PBUH) offered numerous pieces of advice on maintaining peace and harmony.

## Resolution of disputes:

Prophet advised that individuals should work towards betterment of others and resolving conflicts and fostering peace.

"The best people are those who bring the most benefit to the rest of mankind. (Hadith).

## Avoiding anger:

Controlling anger is critical for maintaining peaceful relationships and resolving disputes calmly.

"The strong person is not the one who is physically strong but the one who controls himself when he is angry (Hadith).

## Forgiveness:

The teachings of prophet (PBUH) encourages mercy and respect



essential components of peaceful interactions.

"Whoever does not show mercy to our young ones or acknowledge the honor due to our old ones is not one of us". (Hadith).

## Peace in wars:

Prophet was known for his kind behavior in war even with enemies. Before war he used to try his best to resolve the issues, if isn't so, he used to asked his companions to minimize the losses.

## Conclusion:

→ Prophet's life and teachings offer a comprehensive guide to peacemaking. His actions, from establishing the constitution to his forgiveness during conquest of Mecca, exemplify his commitment to peace.

The Quranic verses and hadiths that reflects his guidance on peace underscores his role as a leader who sought to foster peace and harmony.