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Islamic Guidance

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا كُونُوا قَوَّامِينَ لِلَّهِ شُهَدَاءَ
بِالْقِسْطِ وَلَا يَجْرِمَنَّكُمْ شَنَا نُ قَوْمٍ عَلَىٰ أَلَّا
تَعْدِلُوا اعْدِلُوا هُوَ أَقْرَبُ لِلتَّقْوَىٰ وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ
إِنَّ اللَّهَ خَبِيرٌ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ

'O believers! Stand out firmly for God, as witnesses to fair dealing, and let not the hatred of others prevent you from being just. Be just, that is nearer to piety. And observe your duty to God; indeed God is well aware of what you do.' (Surat al-Ma'idah 5:8)

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شُهَدَاءَ لِلَّهِ وَلَوْ عَلَىٰ أَنفُسِكُمْ أَوِ الْوَالِدِينَ
وَالْأَقْرَبِينَ إِنْ يَكُنْ غَنِيًّا أَوْ فَقِيرًا فَاللَّهُ أَوْلَىٰ
بِهِمَا فَلَا تَتَّبِعُوا الْهَوَىٰ أَنْ تَعْدِلُوا وَإِنْ تَلَوُّوا
أَوْ تَعْرِضُوا فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ كَانَ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ خَبِيرًا

'O believers, be upholders of justice – witnesses for God, even against yourselves or parents and relatives. One may be rich or poor, God is a better caretaker of both. So do not follow desires in case you do not do justice. And if you twist or avoid, then God is All-aware of what you do.' (Surat al-Nisa' 4:135)

'For your brother, offer your blood and your wealth, for your enemy your justice and your fairness and for people in general your joy and good favour.' (Bihar al-Anwar)

'Each one of you is a shepherd and each one of you is responsible for those in your care.' (Bukhari, Muslim)

Feedback

Lesson Title: Rights and Responsibilities
Name:
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Today I have learnt about:
As a result of this lesson I have learnt that a good Muslim should:
I am going to follow up this topic in my home/school/community by:

Follow-up Worksheet

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Name:

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Task:

Ask your parents what they think your rights and responsibilities are.

Speak to your family members and identify the rights and responsibilities of your local city council. List five rights and five responsibilities.