# Tips to Prepare Yourself for an Effective Dawah Encounter

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#### **Wisdom and Beautiful Invitation**

ادْعُ إلى سَبِيلِ رَبِّكَ بِالْحِكْمَةِ وَالْمَوْعِظَةِ الْحَسَنَةِ وَجَادِلْهُم بالتي هي أَحْسَنُ

Invite (all) to the Way of thy Lord with wisdom and beautiful preaching; and argue with them in ways that are best and most gracious: 16:125

#### **Conveying the Message**

يَا أَيُّهَا الرَّسُولُ بَلِغْ مَا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْكَ مِن رَّبِّكَ وَإِن لَّمْ تَفْعَلْ فَمَا بَلَّغْتَ رِسَالَتَهُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْصِمُكَ مِنَ النَّاسِ

O Messenger! Proclaim the (Message) which hath been sent to thee from thy Lord. If thou didst not, thou wouldst not have fulfilled and proclaimed His mission. And Allah will defend thee from men (who mean mischief). 5:67

#### The Enjoining Good and Forbidding Evil

# كُنتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتْ لِلنَّاسِ تَأْمُرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَتَتْهَوْنَ كُنتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتْ لِلنَّاسِ تَأْمُرُونَ بِاللَّهِ

# You are the best of peoples, evolved for mankind, enjoining what is right, forbidding what is wrong, and believing in Allah. 3:110

# **DUA WHEN LEAVING HOME**

# بِسُمِ اللهِ تَوَكَلْتُ عَلَى اللهِ لاَ حَوْل وَلا قُوْة إِلا بِاللهِ

(I leave) in the name of Allah, I place my trust in Allah, there is no power (to stay away from sins) and no strength (to do good deeds) except with Allah's assistance.

# "Dua for leaving the House "

Allaahumma innee a'oothubika an adhilla, aw udhalla, aw azilla, aw uzalla, aw adhlima, aw udhlama, aw ajhala aw yujhala 'alayya

"Oh Allah, I seek refuge in You lest I misguide others or I am misguided by others, lest I cause others to err or I am caused to err lest I abuse others or be abused and lest I behave foolishly or meet with the foolishness of others "

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#### HERBERT HOBOHM (NOW AMAN HOBOHM):

German diplomat, missionary and social worker. An intellectual who has been serving the German diplomatic missions in various parts of the world. He embraced Islam in 1941.

"I have lived under different systems of life and have had the opportunity of studying various ideologies, but have come to the conclusion that none is as perfect as Islam. None of the systems has got a complete code of a noble life, Only Islam has it and that is why good men embrace it. Islam is not theoretical; it is practical. It means complete submission to the will of God."

#### SHARE the message ! May Allah reward you!

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KEEP SHARING

# HADITH QUDSI

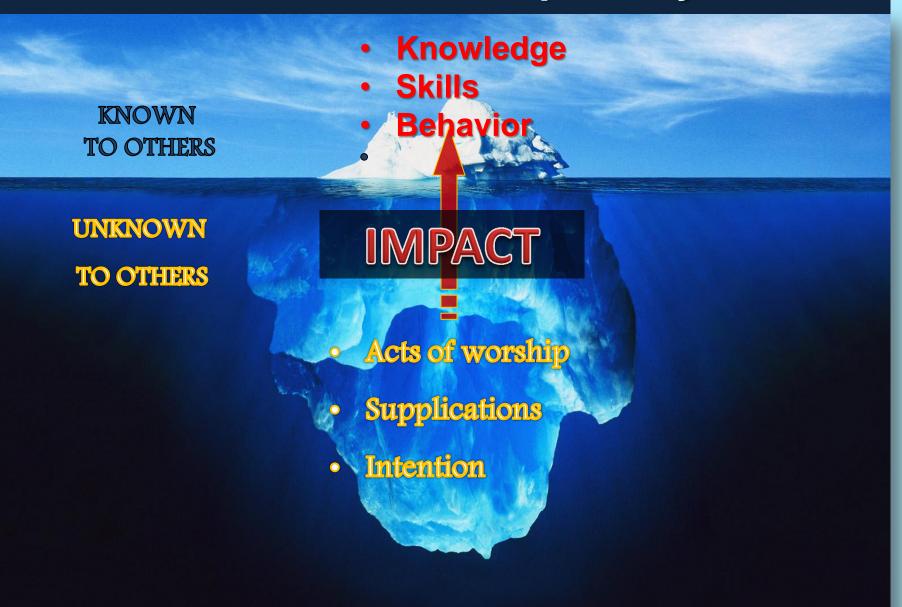
"When Allah loves one of his servants, He calls Jibril ' May peace be upon him' and tells him: 'I love so-and-so, so love him.' Then jibril will love him, and will proclaim to the inhabitants of heaven: 'Allah loves so-and-so, so love him. 'So the inhabitants of heaven will love him too, and he will be well accepted by the inhabitants of the earth.

# HADITH QUDSI

If Allah hates one of His servants, He calls Jibril and tells him: 'I hate so-and-so so hate him.' Then Jibril will hate him and will proclaim to the inhabitants of heaven, 'Allah hates so-and-so, so hate him.' Then the inhabitants of heaven will hate him, and he will be detested by the inhabitants of the earth."

(Muslim)

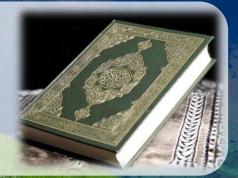
#### **Guidance vs. Competency**



1. Be sincere in your endeavor, purify your intention to be for Allah's sake only.

"actions are but by intentions"

2. Before communicating or addressing audience supplicate or recite some verses from the Quran.



3. Pray (voluntarily 2 Raka'at) followed by supplication to Allah to be successful.

4. Seek help from Allah, supplicate and pray that you be guided to the right way.



(Call to Prayer)

ADHAN

- 5. Remind yourself of the Adhaan words
- The Call for prayer is what cleanses our veins and artery from the whispering of Satan and his stooges of human and spirit devils.
- The Call for prayer is a reminder of the struggle of all prophets, messengers, all companions to maintain believing in the Oneness of Allah and conveying the message of Islam.
- The Call hits deep into our hearts, oh human, to wake us up to start pumping ethics and disseminate very much needed morality in the world.



- 5. Remind yourself of the Adhaan words
- The Call for prayer is where we invigorate ourselves to revive our spirit to relieve our worries and agonies
- The Call for prayer is the real college; university and learning academy that will endure and produce construction to the land and the whole world.

6. Ask your parents or spouse, children to pray for you to be blessed and successful.

7. Ask Allah profusely to forgive your sins and pitfalls.

YA ALLAH Forgive Me

The Power of a

PRAYING..

wife

husband

parent

8. Rely heavily on Allah, the All-Mighty, and the all Powerful. All Might and Power belong to Allah.



9. Before delivering your encounter, give away alms (sadaqah) or smile or pat an orphan on his head.

Be keen to get as close as possible to Allah, and to purify your self through performing alms & good deeds.

"Sadaqah extinguishes sin as water extinguishes fire." (Ahmad, Tirmidhi)

"Take Sadaqah (alms) from their wealth in order to purify them and sanctify them"

(Al Qur'an 9:103)

The Messenger of Allah (Reace and Blessing be upon him) said: "The Charity you give will be your shade on the Day of Judgement".

#### **B.** Information Tips

10. Get yourself well prepared by being fully aware of your subject.

11. Work on a mind map.

12. Sequence your subject ' logically' so it can easily be remembered.

13. Know your subject before addressing your audience or encounter.

14. Memorize what you are going to say (If possible), and repeat it frequently.

#### **B. Information Tips**

15. Rehearse your speech at home; know your mistakes in an attempt to avoid them. (Dry-run your speech)

16. Prepare a good introduction that is well phrased and precise.

17. Attend training courses.

# **B.** Information Tips

18. Introduce your speech by praising Allah.

19. Introduce yourself to the audience and get to know them as well.

20. Introduce easy issues that are not controversial, simple and argument -free.

21. Be yourself, be aware of being snobbish

22. Be self-confident you are capable of delivering your speech successfully (having had such confidence, you will be successful by Allah's will).

23. All through the program create rapport (Ice breaking technique).

24. Take deep breath and then relax & wear a simple smile.

25. If you can't have eye contact with your audience, look a little higher than their foreheads.

26. Don't copy; use your own words, phrases and do not be someone else. However, make use of the best that is already there by developing it. 27. Be spontaneous; avoid much reading from a note or piece of paper. 28. Keep the main points before you. 29. Assign special concentration to the first five minutes. 30. Be elegant, neat, and wear good perfume. 31. Check all equipment and visual aids, and make sure you know how to use them.

32. Expect problems and be ready to solve them.

33. Take the initiative to get yourself ready to answer difficult questions.

34. Challenge yourself since nothing comes easy and no gain without pain.

35. Admit that to have fear is human.

36. Remind yourself that to err is human.

37. Imagine that you are a good speaker.



38. It is a grave mistake thinking that the audience is closely watching you.

39. Bear in mind that your audience may have little, or no information about the subject in question.

40. The consequences of getting involved in such a speech is far better than withdrawing.

41. Never psychologically set yourself to fail. It is going

to be a successful story. Your standing there is in itself a success story.

42. Consult people of expertise to mentor you and strengthen your will.

43. Train yourself in the art of delivering speeches and dialogues; attend workshops, forums and symposiums.

44. If you can't have eye contact with your audience, look a little higher than their foreheads.

45. Pretend that you are confident through exchanging your looks and body

movements.

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46. Use simple body language to convey

message.

Avoid distracting mannerisms.

Don't move like a robot

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47. Be Enthusiastic & show your audience that you BELIEVE in what you are saying.

48. Answer the audience questions to your best of knowledge.
Do not hesitate to say "I don't know".

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49. Answer the audience questions to your best of knowledge. Do not hesitate to say "I don't know".



50. Summarize your main points and end on a positive note

# More Tips



# In Order to Become a Successful Speaker; you should consider the following

Posture, Gestures Eye Contact & Voice

Learning & Communication

Leadership

### **Eye Contact**

1. Look at everybody

2. Move your eyes around the room

3. Make every member feel important





Speak in a loud clear voice
 Stress key words
 Speak slowly
 A. Repeat key points

# Leadership

"Leadership is communicating people's worth and potential so clearly that they are inspired to see it in themselves."



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Invite (mankind) to the Way of your Lord (i.e. Islâm) with wisdom and fair preaching, and argue with them in a way that is better. Truly, your Lord knows best who has gone astray from His Path, and He is the Best Aware of those who are guided. 16.125



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