OBSTACLES TO WOMEN'S DA'WAH ACTIVITIES IN THE CURRENT SOCIETY AND THEIR SOLUTION IN THE LIGHT OF PROPHET'S BIOGRAPHY

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Abstract:

The great mission of guidance and guidance that the prophets used to send in past ages has been placed on the shoulders of this nation that succeeds the Seal of the Prophets, may God bless him and grant him peace, in this mission. We emphasize that the call to God Almighty is not limited to men as some think; Rather, Dawah is the task of men and women alike, and each of them is a building block in the edifice of this lofty building.

So righteous and reforming women rose up, carrying the concern of this religion, and lighting the lamps of guidance in the streets filled with darkness. They carried them and walked with them in convoys of female preachers, in the footsteps of the beloved, may God's prayers and peace be upon him, walking in the path of calling people to God Almighty.

By virtue of her association with the women's community, women are able to address all the areas that women need in the field of advocacy. They can also distinguish priorities in issues related to them, and they can clearly notice mistakes. Whether it is related to belief, imposed acts of worship, or behavior, which prompts them to warn and correct the error. Most women aren't aware that their husbands have a duty to spread the word of Islam. People could not understand the importance of spending time on tasks outside the home as a result, which could generate family disputes. Most women have little general knowledge about Islam. Programmes and organizations focused on converting women to Islam are few and poorly run.

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Introduction:

If we take a thorough look at the way of life in the Islamic world in terms of servicing the family, the spouse, and the kids, we will discover that Muslim houses almost exclusively reflect Western and Eastern civilization. The nation must redraw its intellectual and scientific map on the basis of the Book and the Sunnah of His Messenger, may God bless him and grant him peace, in order for women to accurately determine their responsibilities in their home and family in accordance with the Messenger's will, may God bless him and grant him peace. The continuation of this nature is the greatest barrier to women's Dawah to Almighty Allah. peace be with him - in the hadith on responsibility, which includes:

قال النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم: "عن عَبْدِ اللهِ بْنِ عُمَرَ رَضِي اللهُ عَنْهُمَنا أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللهِ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ أَلَا كُلُكُمْ رَاعٍ وَكُلُكُمْ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيِّتِهِ وَالْمَرْأَةُ رَاعِيَةٌ عَلَى أَهْلِ بَيْتِ رَوْجِهَا وَوَلَدِهِ وَهِيَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيِّتِهِ وَالْمَرْأَةُ رَاعِيَةٌ عَلَى أَهْلِ بَيْتِ رَوْجِهَا وَوَلَدِهِ وَهِيَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْهُمْ وَعَبْدُ الرَّجُلِ رَاعٍ عَلَى مَالِ سَتِدِهِ وَهُوَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيِّتِهِ وَالْمَرْأَةُ رَاعِيَةٌ عَلَى أَهْلِ بَيْتِ رَوْجِهَا وَوَلَدِهِ وَهِيَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْهُمْ وَعَبْدُ الرَّجُلِ رَاعٍ عَلَى مَالِ سَتِدِهِ وَهُوَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيِّتِهِ وَالْمَرْأَةُ رَاعِيَةً عَلَى أَهْلِ بَيْتِ رَوْجِهَا وَوَلَدِهِ وَهِيَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيِّتِهِ اللهِ سَتِدِهِ وَهُوَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيِّتِهِ وَالْمَرْأَةُ رَاعِيَةً عَلَى مَالِ سَتِدِهِ وَهُوَ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيتِهِ اللهِ سَيِّدِهِ وَهُو مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيتِهِ وَالْمَوْلُةُ عَنْهُمْ وَعَبْدُ الرَّحُلِ رَاعٍ عَلَى مَالِ سَتِدِهِ وَهُو مَسْئُولٌ عَلْ وَسُلُولُ عَنْ رَعِيتِهِ وَالْمَوْلُةُ عَلَيْهُ مَالِهُ لَوْ مَنْهُولُ عَنْ رَعِيتِهِ وَلَوْمُ لَعَنْ مَالِ سَتِدِهِ وَهُو مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيتِهِ وَلَوْمُ لَعَلْ مَالِ مَنْ اللهِ مَلْهُ لَ

Abdullah ibn Umar reported: The Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings be upon him, said, "Every one of you is a shepherd and is responsible for his flock. The leader of people is a guardian and is responsible for his subjects. A man is the guardian of his family and he is responsible for them. A woman is the guardian of her husband's home and his children and she is responsible for them. The servant of a man is a guardian of the property of his master and he is responsible for it. No doubt, every one of you is a shepherd and is responsible for his flock. (2)

Women's disregard of Dawah within the house and family, along with their incapacity to set up an educational career in their homes, completely paralyses them from participating in society at large.

Unfortunately, this is the situation; we hope that it won't be as frustrating as it now is. Inspiring correction and deliberate criticism, educators feel that a child's formative years have a profound impact on him. I wonder if Muslim ladies were aware of this prime time for moral and religious concerns to be engraved and formed. Without a question, the family is the building block of society. As a result, the instruments of doctrinal and moral disintegration hastened to weaken the pillars of the Muslim family before fragmenting and depleting Islamic society of its contents.

The existence of patient females who grudgingly keep silent about it and find it challenging to practice da'wah in their houses out of fear and respect for it is also common in many households that are loaded with every manner of wickedness, It is essential to exercise patience, perseverance, and hope, to turn to God Almighty for assistance, and to keep praying. Then, those who were in that scenario needed to be skilled at handling them and learning... This is accomplished through reading books that cover the topic and by listening to audiotapes that cover it. To win her family members' love, and if this is successful for her, the road ahead will be made simple. She must also be aware of the priorities, as well as the interests and harms, and recognize that preventing harms comes before advancing the goals. She must also make an effort and endeavor to lead them away from sin and towards what is acceptable. If it is feasible, they have prepared themselves and the moment for voluntary acts of worship has come. She transferred them to her, and she must be careful to instill her respect in their souls so that they do not openly disobey her in front of her. As a result, she is forced to either remain silent in denial or become emotional in order to prevent it from being viewed negatively and the work she has put into it for days and nights from being destroyed. She must be careful to exercise forbearance, patience, and longsuffering. She must also be careful to invitation in indirect ways, such as praising them and then denouncing some of the actions that occur from people in another gathering that may occur from them, or praising while showing that they lack nothing aside from that matter, as this invites them to accept advice. The Prophet, may God keep him and give him peace, therefore, said:

"The Prophet said, "Abdullah is a good man. I wish he prayed Tahajjud." After that `Abdullah (i.e. Salim's father) used to sleep but a little at night."

Definition Dawah:

- 1. Allah has commanded every Muslim to perform Dawah, which is the act of spreading the word of Islam to everyone around them. (4)
- 2. Dawah is a motivational and inspiring deed. If you invite someone to Islam, it implies that you are inclining him in that direction and that he should be interested in the topic. Dawah can take the shape of both acts and speech. ⁽⁵⁾

The one who is calling for Islam should adhere to truth of what he calls to with his tongue. Allah (swt) says,

"Invite to the way of your Lord with wisdom and good instruction, and argue with them in a way that is best. Indeed, your Lord is most knowing of who has strayed from His way, and He is most knowing of who is [rightly] guided."

The woman preaching requires great efforts:

According to the most likely perspective, scholars have demonstrated that praising God and engaging in acts of worship are sufficient obligations. Feminist Dawah to Almighty Allah has a place in this context. It is extremely important because it fills a huge gap that male preachers cannot perform in the same way that female preachers can, and because in our time, God Almighty has made it possible to spread the word about Almighty Allah in ways that were previously impossible for those who came before us, it was necessary for female preachers to take full advantage of these means and methods of spreading the word about Almighty Allah. To enhance feminist Dawah to Almighty Allah effort, yet in spite of this, we discovered a flaw and a lack in the execution of the call to God, namely on the feminist side. Feminist Dawah to Almighty Allah faces several challenges that detract from its significance, lessen its worth, and obstruct its progress towards its objectives. I wanted to go into



some of these challenges with a statement based on facts and actual experience, along with offering solutions. (6)

Obstacles to women's Dawah:

The most significant barrier to Dawah is the intellectual one, or the contemporary intellectual assault, which is particularly prevalent at the moment and aims to pervert people's perceptions of women by spreading the notion that they should be liberated, equal to men, and free from restrictions so that they can work however they please, travel whenever they please, and come and go in any way, at any time. She is not under the man's control. (7)

With the adoption of these concepts, Islamic communities are meant to resemble Western society, which have fallen victim to the development of decadence. In order for the Muslim society to be equivalent to the Western society in this regard and to outnumber us, Western societies thus expect that the Muslim society would follow the same route and collapse. The attack on the ideals put forward regarding debauchery, mixing, equality, etc. in the intellectual literature and the fact that they are in power and the number make them want to propagate this in a very aggressive way. He saw this as a hindrance since it means that certain women are unable to pray because some of these sediments have been ingrained in their minds. (8)

The call would be limited if she wanted to invite others because she might run into other ladies who agree with these views. As a result of attempting to persuade one party after another to discard the notions that have been ingrained in their minds.

First obstacles in woman Dawah: The Media

Whether through television, video, print, radio, or other media, the media is under attack. Since women usually work, stay at home, and are represented in the media, we all, without exception, are aware of the full depth of their impact on women in particular. In front of her, a television and other items are constantly on. We observe that the media broadcasts a woman's notion first to penetrate her mind and thought throughout her entire life, Therefore, this lady preacher will have to deal with this enemy's brazen media attack. ⁽⁹⁾

Second obstacles to Dawah: ignorance

Many women lack basic knowledge of Islam. In order to make up for their lack of legal knowledge, which prevents them from understanding their role in this world, their obligation to raise their children properly, and even how to do so, as well as their lack of knowledge regarding their husbands' and the Dawah's general affairs, women must concentrate on the scientific aspects of learning through academics. Thank God, we may now learn about the scientific aspects by reading books that are already available on the market, listening to recordings that include many scientific lessons, and attending certain scientific lectures. Which women are welcome to attend, and there are no issues because these components are visible and open. (10)

Third obstacle is modesty:

Another barrier to women answering the Almighty God's invitation is modesty. Women are naturally reserved and sensitive. A woman's shyness is regarded as a virtue because of her nature, but if it goes beyond what is acceptable, it is viewed as a flaw, especially when it comes to Dawah to the Almighty Allah. She may enter a culture where she observes many evil things, but she is powerless to alter it, to pray, to forbid, to order, or to do anything else. She is so ashamed, and we frequently hear ladies claim, "I saw such-and-such," and when asked, "Why did you not advise me?" By God, I'm embarrassed, she exclaims. The conclusion is that she exhibits abhorrent shyness, which is a limitation that women should consider and be aware of. Modesty has boundaries and a range, and when it goes beyond those bounds, it is referred to as neglect and humiliation and goes by many different titles. (11)

The Fourth aspect of the obstacles to Dawah for a woman preacher: home affairs

A lady frequently laments the amount of work she performs at home and how it significantly interferes with her ability to do many of the missionary chores she intends to complete. This is a fact that has both a true and a false side to it. An important subject and component of Dawah is the woman in charge of household affairs and her supervision of her home so that it is a comfortable home in which the husband feels psychological comfort and heart reassurance, and in which the children also feel comfortable. The child or husband will leave the house and hunt for another if they

are unable to locate a place where they feel safe and at peace. Locations where time is spent, including evenings, meetings, and other activities.

The woman making the affairs of the home an obstacle is not absolute, but that the woman makes all the affairs of the home the obstacle, or spends all her time on the affairs of the home and does not She gives to her children or to her husband, except for the smallest amount or the occasional need, is. This in itself may lead to the deviation of this husband if he is capable of doing so, and the same process is transmitted to the children. This is viewed as a barrier, so the woman should strike a balance between the two and give each task the attention it deserves. By doing this, she may concentrate on household duties when her husband and children are away, whether at school or at work, and when they return home, they will find the house finished. This in itself is a significant Dawah issue because it involves the fundamental task of organizing, cleaning, etc., and because the children find comfort in their mother and the husband finds comfort in his wife. (13)

God Almighty has established judicial principles that neither men nor women are permitted to violate. As God Almighty said, He does not hold His servants responsible for anything that He did not assign to them or that is beyond of their scope.

"Allah does not require of any soul more than what it can afford. All good will be for its own benefit, and all evil will be to its own loss"

What, then, humiliates a woman? The female preacher in this case is accountable for what she hasn't been required to do by Islamic law, and she is aware of the unique circumstances in which she differs from men and the unique Sharia rulings that apply in those circumstances. These rulings are in line with the nature of women, and she shouldn't deviate from them.

When Islam forced the woman to wear the burqa, appointed the male as her guardian, and granted her rights as God Almighty commanded:

"And they have rights similar to those against them in a just manner, and the men are a degree above them, and Allah is Mighty, Wise." The command of God Almighty, "And live with them in a reasonable manner," also applies to women, and they have the right to interact with them in a reasonable manner in accordance with God's law, which changes from one era to the next. To ensure that women can travel to these locations with their mahram, with the consent of the woman's guardian, is one of their rights and a reasonable way to treat them. If it is the nature of the time that women go outside to seek knowledge, education, medicine, any social service, to visit, or to attend a party. (16)

The Fifth obstacle: the issue of transportation

Many ladies have the capacity and desire to preach about God Almighty. One of them claims, "I can deliver a lecture or a seminar, and I have the knowledge necessary to perform Dawah aspects, but I am immobile." My husband either won't accompany me because I can't get reliable transport, or he's always busy and there isn't time for travel. Here, you must remember that God Almighty does not place a soul under a burden that is beyond its capacity, and that He is between that and what He said.

"So fear Allah as much as you are able and listen and obey and spend [in the way of Allah]; it is better for your selves." Your good intentions will be rewarded. Although you have good intentions and a worthy purpose, you are still waiting for the right moment to act. Keep in mind that you will be rewarded in line with your intentions if the chance does not present itself.

These days, there are alternatives to travel and transportation, including the Internet, live television, and communication apps. While abiding by legal restraints. (19)

Obstacles to the woman preacher: The head of family

The family's head is frequently one of the barriers to the call, either because he is a rebel or because he is unaware of the custodianship principle described in the Almighty's saying:

[&]quot;Men are in charge of women by [right of] what Allah has given one over the other"

Some of them don't fully grasp the concept of custodianship and believe that it entails exerting pressure on a woman, exerting control over her, and disposing of her as the custodian sees fit. In order for his wife to comply with his directions to do what he wants and how he wants, you can discover him telling her to do something that is wrong. So I say: The man's lack of comprehension is a handicap for this woman, and the woman who is praying must recognise this deficiency in the family patriarch, so try to fix it first. From her perspective, this is a religious concern that she is addressing to him. She will gain advantage from the family patriarch in other religious concerns if he is treated

Implications of women practicing Dawah:

and the therapy is successful. (19)

Its actions must produce noticeable results, and these actions can be summed up as follows:

- 1. The illusion that Muslim women are not required to preach stems from the failure of women to preach.
- 2. Women's Dawah promotes the dissemination of information in a wider and more thorough way.
- 3. A woman's Dawah also compels her to be mindful of her words, deeds, silences, and movements so that her words and deeds do not contradict one another and that she does not conceal anything.
- 4. Women's Dawah work results in the eradication of numerous unethical behaviors that have become commonplace in the community of women in particular.
- 5. Women's involvement in Dawah brings attention to how they are seen personally in Islamic teachings.
- 6. Filling a void in Islam is one of the significant outcomes. To defend his home, maintain social order, and fend off lies that are being spread about him in general and the affairs of Muslim women in particular.
- 7. When the Muslim lady joins the Muslim man in praying, it promotes harmony in direction, shared objectives, and coordinated activities. To raise a generation of Muslims who are well-educated in morality, ruled by collaboration, familiarity, and love, and who are illuminated by the sciences of the Holy Qur'an and the cleansed Sunnah. (20)

Ways to Dawah women's preaching:

There are some recommendations based on actual experience on the Dawah side; it is an overview of some viewpoints and ideas drawn from real-world experience and also makes use of several questionnaires created by experts in the statistics aspect:

- 1. Paying attention to already-existing Dawah works by dividing them into Dawah-cultural-media-educational works, rationalising them and using the works and models presented in the Dawah arena, and the development of feminist advocacy, in order to identify the areas where they are weak, the causes and methods of treatment, and which areas are advanced. on others and how to maintain and nurture them.
- 2- Employing the creative and notable energies active in the Dawah field in accordance with their interests in science, practicality, and creativity in accordance with the previous categories; the demand is for originality and innovation and is not dependent on a particular approach.
- 3. Generalizing some of the noteworthy achievements produced in the field, whether at the scientific, cultural, media, educational, or Dawah levels, by putting them into practice and, to the greatest extent possible, combining the efforts made.
- By facilitating the delivery of Dawah by focusing on the most important aspects at the expense of others, as a matter of graduating from the most important to the important, women's memorization schools can be effective advocacy channels that draw large and diverse segments of women.
- 5- Paying attention to public lectures, engaging them, and connecting them to statistical activities so that those in charge of Dawah can identify the areas of women's interests, the drawbacks that result from that, and address them by scheduling lectures as necessary that are focused on the feminist aspect.
- 6- Discovering ways to increase awareness among families and guardians, first in terms of family planning and connecting it to noble Islamic values, second to pay attention to feminist Dawah and scientific incubators, and provide them with girls in order to raise them with Islamic morals and

etiquette, and third to consolidate awareness and a sense of responsibility among fathers and guardians; to engage in a variety of feminist Dawah activities. (21)

Even with a little knowledge, every Muslim woman who is envious of her faith must preach to God. She should also be aware that the preacher does not need to be exhaustive and possess a vast quantity of knowledge because every person have a variety of skills and knowledge that can be useful to others. In order to inspire herself and people around her, every woman prays to those around her for what she knows, what she has known and worked on, or what she has known but has not worked on. How the necessity for Islam has grown as all ecclesiastical religions have failed to bring happiness and justice to the people. How much they need Islam to save them from their misery and loss and to restore their humanity. How they require its tenets and regulations that ensure them joy, certainty, stability, and security.

No one disputes the importance of Islam in human history; their need for it today is no less than the people's need for it during the Prophet's mission, may God bless him and grant him peace. His contribution to liberating the human spirit from delusion and superstition, slavery and slavery, corruption and decay, deviation and dissolution, anxiety and loss, his contribution to liberating human society from collapse, disintegration, and exploitation, and his contribution to creating a world based on virtues like chastity, cleanliness, positivity, construction, freedom, and knowledge. Additionally, there is certainty, confidence and trust, justice and dignity, as well as constant work to advance and promote life and guarantee everyone's right to life.

Thus, the enormous responsibility that faces academics and reformers. In order to rescue humanity from its sorrow, pain, loss, and confusion, they must use all of their resources. To ensure that individuals who are seeking to understand the truth are given a clear revelation of the truth, they must devote themselves to revealing the sublimity, beauty, order, and perfection found in Islam. He gains humanity and seeks out God Almighty so that he may be glad to know Him and take pleasure in His pleasure. (22)

CONCLUSION:

Religion is the knowledge of what God requires and forbids. This is because ignorance opens the door to all evil and temptation, whereas knowledge guards against suspicions, lapses, and blunders. He prays for something because Satan has made it look attractive to him, which leads him and Understanding the ruling of what you want to convey to people in all of its facets is a necessary step. You must also grasp how it links to other ideas in terms of its meanings, insight, supporting data, and how similar things appear to it. You are the one who pays. You are aware of the sources for the scientific data you wish to offer. If the material is being presented at the beginning of the path, it would be preferable to present it to people whose knowledge is well-known, such as revered sheikhs, well-known preachers, and established female preachers who are known for their knowledge and work, so you can correct what you are commanded to correct and learn the proper way to present the scientific material so you are aware of the path of Dawah. The Almighty's proverb, "Invite to the way of your Lord with wisdom and good exhortation," is in line with the organization's tactics and the most suitable of them for each position.

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