

Remembering the Marhumin

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Learning Objectives

- To explain why the deceased are referred to as marhum
- To explain the 5 different ways we can remember the marhum
- To examine whether the marhum benefit when we dedicate our actions toward them.



Ayah of the Day

إِنَّا نَحْنُ نُحْيِي الْمَوْتَىٰ وَنَكْتُبُ مَا قَدَّمُوا وَآثَارَهُمْ ۚ وَكُلَّ شَيْءٍ أَحْصَيْنَاهُ فِي إِمَامٍ مُّبِينٍ

Indeed it is we who bring the dead to life and record what they have put forth and what they left behind, and all things We have enumerated in a clear register. (36:12)



Keyword

مرحوم :

Deceased; one upon whom mercy is place

The plural of marhum is marhumin.



Why are the deceased called Marhumin?

The term deceased is used when a person passes away from this life to the next. We call the deceased marhumin. The term marhum stems from the word rahmah which means mercy. A marhum is one who is subject to the mercy of Allah.



What can we do for our marhumin?

- 1) Seek forgiveness for the deceased
- 2) Reciting Surah Qadr 7 times Allah will gift the deceased an angel who will worship Allah.
- 3) Recite Surah Ikhlas 11 times and the deceased and all those buried in the graveyard will get many gifts.

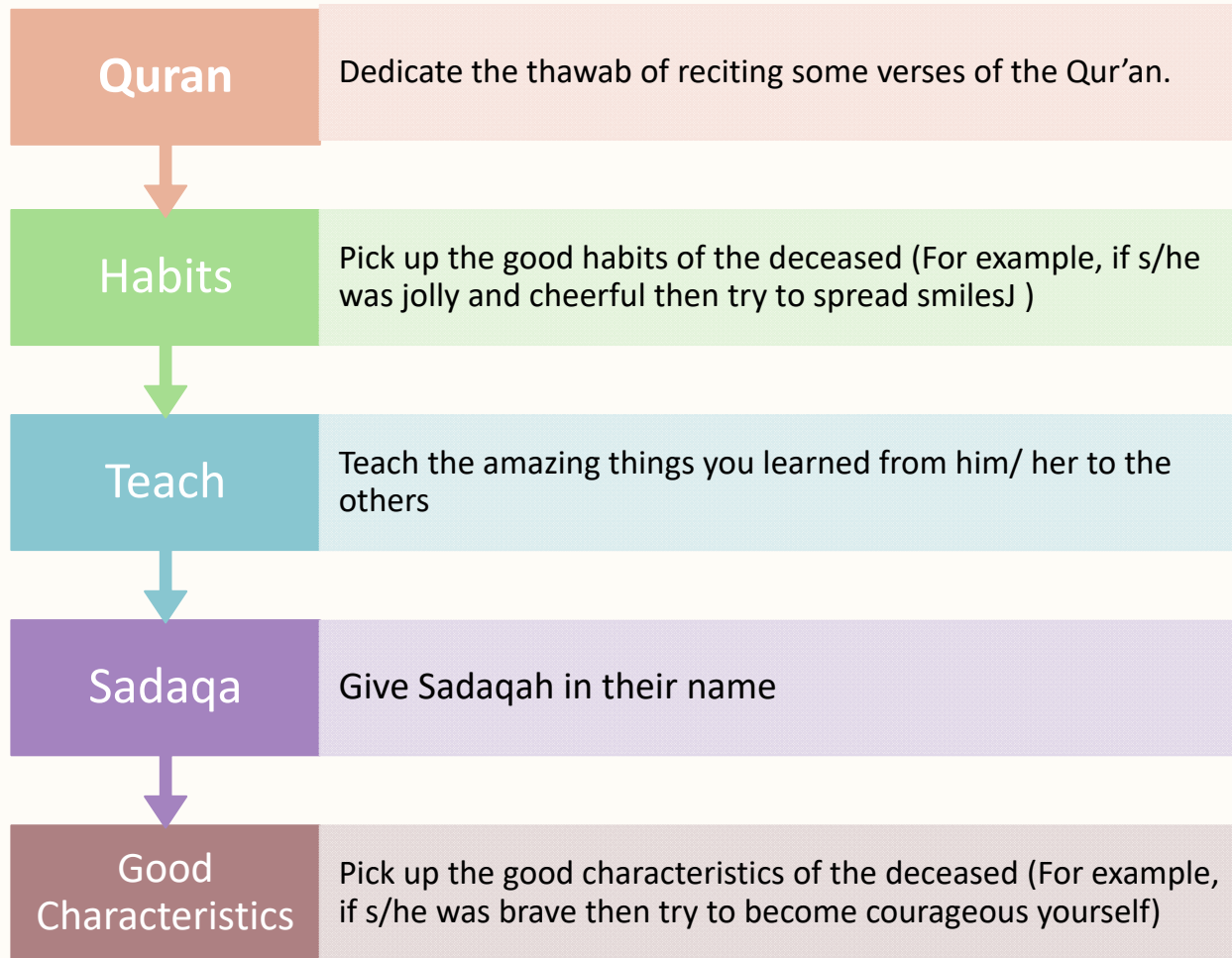


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4) Reciting Surah Mulk will save the deceased from punishments.

5) Share stories about the deceased and try to implement the good legacy they left behind





How can we remember our marhumin?



sadaqah charity



Do the marhumin benefit from our prayers?

The shahid Sayyid Abd al-Husayn Dastghayb, relates that a great and pious man told him the following event: A relative of this pious man had bought a property on which he had built a house. After the death of this relative, the pious man saw him in his dream one night. The relative was blind, and when he was asked the cause of his blindness he related to the pious man the reason for his bad state.

He related that when he had bought the land, there was a well in it by means of which the villagers in the surrounding villages benefited. However, the relative ordered for the well to be closed. The villagers faced the constraint of going through long distances to get their supply of water. The result of this act was blindness in the life of the Hereafter.

The pious man asked his relative in the dream whether he could do anything for him to relieve him of this bad state. The man replied positively, and suggested that his heirs should work hard to open that well for the benefit of the villagers. The pious man stood up to carry out this act, and after some time he dreamt that his relative had got back his sight and was thanking him for helping him.

This story shows that our actions in the dunya have an effect on our state in the akhirah. The seeds we sow now will reap produce later, which can be bad or good.