

In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

Birthday and Anniversary Celebration in Islaam

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For those who are living abroad and cannot avoid it

We are living in Global Age, where world is shrinking and people are sharing their traditions with happiness and joy. In Islaam we need to be very careful on each and every tradition before adopting any of those traditions which could lead to shirk and destroy our Emaan. Here I would like to highlight on **Birthday and Anniversary Celebrations in Islaam**, keeping in mind consuming alcohol/drug was not forbidden immediately but in three stages, i.e. first was told that it is bad, then it was commanded that do not go near Salaat when intoxicated and finally it got completely forbidden (Ref. Al_Quraan_005.090). For many of us it might not be possible to avoid it completely for many known/unknown reasons. Below are just few tips to handle these situations. One must need to avoid wastes / over expenses etc., instead help the needy (Ref. Al_Quraan_017.026-027).

First of all, we couldn't find **clear** references from the Quraan and Authentic Hadeeth on Celebrating Birthday or Anniversary. Here we need to do in depth analysis for each of these, keeping in mind it is not causing and Psychological impact on our family including kids as well as not getting close to shirk as well.

Celebrating Birthday of our Kids is ok inside our house among our family (Parent and kids) in those region where we cannot avoid it otherwise there are chances that our kids may become Psychic and be always feeling inferior and something missing in their life, which might deviate them from concentrating on their education in the light of the Quraan.

Celebrating Birthdays of any Key Figures, e.g. Prophet Muhammad, Jesus, Moses etc. (Peace-Be-Upon-All-of-Them) as well as any political or religious leaders is totally forbidden due to chances that it may lead towards Shirk (associating partner with Allah), (Ref. Al_Quraan_009.031).

Celebrating Wedding Anniversary of Ourselves, to show family values to our kids and grandkids is ok inside our house among our family (Parent and kids/grandkids), otherwise there are chances that our kids may not understand family values and become Psychic and be always feeling inferior and something missing in their life, which might deviate them from concentrating on their education.

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries of any Key Figures, e.g. Prophet Muhammad, Jesus, Moses etc. (Peace-Be-Upon-All-of-Them) as well as any political or religious leaders is totally forbidden due to chances that it may lead towards Shirk (associating partner with Allah). Instead one should help the needy with that money, (Ref. Al_Quraan_009.031).

Celebrating Death Anniversaries of any One is totally forbidden. Life is very short, and we need to concentrate on educating our kids. If someone has extra money then he/she should help the needy and get Great Reward from Allah.

Remember: For each of your actions, including the Hajj or Reciting the Quraan etc., you will get reward of what **you** have done, and surely DEEDS of your loved ones or others will NOT save you. (**Selected References:** Al_Quraan_003.030, 003.185, 006.164, 014.051, 016.111, 018.047-049, 020.015-016, 031.033, 036.054, 039.069-070, 040.017, 044.041, 045.028, 060.003, 070.010-015, 075.13, 080.034-037, 082.005, 099.007-008).

Protect yourselves and your families from the Hell Fire, (Ref. Al_Quraan_066.006).

Wish you all enjoy family life and educate your kids about family values as well in the light of the Quraan and Authentic Hadeeth, AMEEN.

Be an excellent example (a Role Model) for your kids.

Excess of anything is bad, instead help the needy and get great reward from Allah, (Ref. Al_Quraan_017.026-027).

Read Al-Quraan, the Miracle of Miracles and free from contradictions and errors

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