

THE DIVIDED HOUSE II

Husband remains an unbeliever. What is the root of the Problem?



Remember, unbelievers differ as to degree. Some bitterly persecute the believer. Some constantly nag the believer, trying to break down integrity. Some subtly discourage the believer. Others show indifference towards true worship. Other unbelieving mates are favorable to Allah's truth but do little to make spiritual progress. Gradual progress can be made in helping the unbeliever in breaking down opposition or in stirring up interest. If the unbeliever is favorable, the believer, with the aid of the Islamic congregation, should work towards the goal of uniting the family by means of the home or Mosque study. If the unbeliever is opposed, the believer needs to remember the above statements, about reading the sky and the earth. Matt. 10:32-35: Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him

will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. 33 But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven 34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I come not to send peace, but a sword. 35 For I am come to set a man at variance against his father and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. 36 And a man's foes shall be they of his own household. 37 He that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. 38 And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me. 39 he that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it. 40 He that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth Him that sent me. 41 He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward; and he that receiveth a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward. 42 And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.

If it must come to a showdown, then what? The believer must obey Allah and His Messenger; which teaches us to read the Bible or Poison Book. right?

The believer should refuse to become provoked or loud, when the going gets difficult.

Always remember this: The integrity of the believer is a must to enable the unbeliever to see the importance of loving Allah's truth. Consider what might happen if a wife fails to keep integrity by agreeing not to go to meetings of the Islamic congregation. May not the husband feel that these meetings could not be so important after all or she would never give them up? May he not feel that her interest in the teachings of Messenger Muhammad is merely a passing fancy and nothing of any consequence? If so, how can the believer expect the unbeliever to take an interest in Allah's Word?

On the other hand, if the wife keeps on going to meetings, explaining to her unbelieving husband why they are so important to her, he might in time be impressed. May not the unbeliever eventually accept

an invitation attend one of these meetings and thus see for himself their beneficial nature? So the believing mate must always remember that keeping intergrity works for the benefit not only of the believer, but also of the unbeliever.

*** Note: Integrity ,according to The American Heritage Dictionary, means Steadfast adherence to a strict moral or ethical code.**



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