



Rasulullah (sallallahu alaihi wasallam) said: “After the Taqwa (fear) of Allah Ta’ala, there is no favour that a believer may enjoy better than a pious wife. If he instructs her she obeys him, if he looks towards her, she brings delight to him, if he takes an oath for her to do something she carries it out and if he is away from her (on a journey, etc.) she acts in good faith regarding her personal self and his wealth” (Ibnu Maajah #1857).

This Hadith outlines four qualities of a pious wife:

1) Whenever the husband instructs her to do something lawful, she carries it out. She is an obedient wife.

2) When the husband looks towards her she brings him joy. This is only possible if her ways and habits are according to his liking (within the boundaries of Deen), and she tries to keep his heart happy. If a woman makes it her habit to be very moody and pull up her face for every petty issue, the husband will start regarding it as a calamity to come home after a long day at work.

3) When the husband takes an oath that the wife should do a certain action, then she carries it out. Out of love he takes an oath and out of love she fulfills that oath to keep him happy. This is due to that special bond that they enjoy.

4) When the husband goes somewhere and he is away from the wife, she remains faithful regarding herself and his wealth. She does not have any form of relationship with strange men and she does not squander the husband’s wealth. She conducts herself as she would in his presence. This is true loyalty.

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