

# OUR EYES -- THEIR MORAL IMPLICATIONS

**WITH THE NAME OF ALLAH, MOST GRACIOUS, MOST MERCIFUL.**

Little do we appreciate and understand the purpose and value of our eyes. Our Rabb has endowed us with sight in order that we may observe and study nature so that we may draw ourselves nearer to him.

We read in Sura al-Balad (ch. 90): verses 8 - 17:-

"Have we not made for him a pair of eyes? --- And a tongue, and a pair of lips? --- And shown him the two highways? But he has made no haste on the path that is steep. And what will explain to you the path that is steep? --- (it is :) the freeing of the bondman; or the giving of food in the day of privation to the orphan with claims of relationship, or to the indigent (down) in the dust. Then will he be of those who believe, and enjoin patience, (constancy, and self-restraint), and enjoin deeds of kindness and compassion.

Many ignore the command to lower their gaze when in the presence of ladies.

We are reminded in Sura nur (ch. 24): verse 30:-

"Say to the believing men that they should lower their gaze and guard their modesty: that will make for greater purity for them: and Allah is well-acquainted with all that they do."

Remember, our eyes have to be used in a manner that would be pleasing to our maker.

They also serve as a gateway to knowledge, wisdom and good moral behaviour.

They should be used to read, understand and implement the word of Allah (S.W.T.) so that we may rise on the moral high-ground!

We would have been in a helpless state without vision:-

"If it had been our will, we could surely have blotted out their eyes; then would they have run about groping for the path, but how could they have seen?"

Sura Ya-Sin (ch. 36): verse 66

## **Worksheet**

1) How can our eyes be used to improve our morals and life-style?

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