

Pride and Arrogancy in Islam

A man from the Sahabi said, " Ya Rasulallah! I am a man who likes wearing nice clothes and nice shoes. Is there anything wrong with that? I like looking good. Am I arrogant? Am I being filled with pride? ."

Rasul (Sm.) then said, " Oh no, Allah (SwT.) is beautiful. Allah loves beauty."

And, in fact, one of the names of Allah is "The beautiful "(Al-Jameel-The Most Beautiful). Allah (SwT.) is The Beautiful. There is no beauty beyond His beauty. This is His name and his attribute. He loves to see us being beautiful and dressing beautifully and looking beautiful and acting in a beautiful way and thinking beautifully.

Then He said, " Arrogance and pride is two things."

قَالَ رَجُلٌ إِنَّ الرَّجُلَ يُحِبُّ أَنْ يَكُونَ ثَوْبُهُ حَسَنًا وَنَعْلُهُ حَسَنَةً . قَالَ " إِنَّ اللَّهَ

جَمِيلٌ يُحِبُّ الْجَمَالَ الْكِبْرُ بَطْرُ الْحَقِّ وَغَمَطُ النَّاسِ

- A man said: "What if a man likes his clothes to look nice and his shoes to look nice?" Rasul (Sm.) said: "Allah is Beautiful and loves beauty; arrogance means rejecting the truth and looking down on people." (Narrated by Muslim, 91))

Now listen, rejecting and refusing truth and rights that are black and white, you know that they are truth and you know they are right, you just don't want them. You refuse them. No, I don't care.

That's the first type of arrogance and pride. And being condescending and looking down on other people. So, No. 2, Arrogance makes up two things: Refusing and rejecting the truths and the rights and looking down upon others as if you are superior. Superiority complex, I'm better

than others, I am superior to others. Not for any reason, just for the heck because either because of my race, because of my **color**, because of my **gender**, because of the **certificates I hold**, because how much **money I have**, the **car I drive**, the **clothes I wear**, the **lineage I have**, the **house I live in**, how many **views and likes I got on social media**. I see myself superior to others based on these things. Sometimes I see myself superior because maybe I feel I pray **a few more prayers than other people**, I recite Quran **better than other people**, I do my Dhikr night and day. No one else does as much as me, **I'm the best**. Maybe I give in charity and they are below me because **I give a few more dollars in charity**. Maybe I do **a bit more good deeds** and because of that I feel I'm superior to others.

All of these brothers and sisters destroys our deeds because it's not sincere for Allah.

And in the Sahabas , the companions of prophet Rasul (Sa.) the way they looked at it was like this: the person who is not arrogant is the person who always feels that they have faults and they still got a lot to do, improve on. And a person who is arrogant does a little bit and thinks that they have fulfilled every command and every good deeds and everyone else needs to improve except for themselves.

-Belal Assaad

Every Muslim should have no pride or arrogancy and do things out of love and sincerity for Allah only and not to exhibit their ability.