

Pursuit of cleanliness

Islam teaches us that cleanliness is half our deen.

If you had visited some of the Masjids out there you would have never guessed that.

Sometimes walking to the bathroom stall is like:

[vomiting noise]'d rather not.

Sometimes I hold it until I get home.

I don't understand how you can miss the whole toilet bro!

I said bro because obviously some one was standing up and peeing here.

You know it's Sunnah to sit down.

Which means it's recommended to sit down and pee-pee.

Otherwise you may be leaving the bathroom floor in a jest.

And your bad aim is leaving a mark on the toilet seat.

Sometimes I think to myself: Are these people really convinced Islam is the truth?

Or are they just born to this religion without anyone explaining anything to them

Because if you're intellectually convinced about Islam,

Then it will be seen through your actions.

When I became Muslim

My actions my behaviour and the way I carried myself changed

Things that were never important to me, suddenly became vital.

Before Islam I didn't care because I didn't think there was any accountability for the actions I did.

But once I learned about Islam, I understood if you do the actions good for Allah there's reward for it.

And of course there's a punishment for the bad actions you do as well.

So it started making me think twice before I started doing many of my actions

I guess what it really comes down to is: do you really believe this religion is the truth?

I mean we can say what ever we want on our lips

But our actions speak louder than words

And if you were gonna visit the house of the Creator of all mankind

How would you treat it?

Think about that.

Now trying to be clean is not always that easy

And especially at work when people are not always....clean.

You know what I'm talking about?

I'm going to tell what I'm talking about

Sometimes when I'm bored and sitting in a bathroom stall, I start thinking.

I started thinking: how come the toilet paper always runs out but the soap never runs out?

Hummm

You know when your sitting in the bathroom stall and you have that gap in the bathroom stall and you see the people at the sink?

Yea that's it, I notice a lot of people when they think no one is in the bathroom, they don't wash their hands

That's nasty

Some people turn on the sink for a second and that's about it

That's not washing your hands

I guess they think it washes the guilt away

Some other people they wash their hands before they pee

But they don't wash their hands afterwards, what's wrong with these people?

Maybe they read the bathroom edict book backwards

And then of course there's some people who walk out without doing anything

I mean they do number 2 and the just stand up and walk out, NASTY! Your so

NASTY!

I have to shake these people's hands at work. Shake their HANDS!

Sometimes when you're smart you can find a way around it.

Hey Ali how's it going?

Hey wazup man...pow..we'll go uh chill later. I'll see you later man.

When Europe was going through the Dark Ages people weren't taking showers,

they were filthy

At the same time the Muslim Ummah was at its golden ages and many people

were taking Islam seriously

The people were clean and were bathing regularly

Where do you think soap and utter came from?

During the time of Harura Rashid they were washing the streets of Bhagdad

with soap and water

Now that's clean

But these days because you wana be clean your looked upon as being strange

As a practicing Muslim cleanliness is very Important

Once again it's not easy being clean

Sometimes when I go to work I have a water bottle with me when I go to the

bathroom

So my co-workers may find it strange because they prefer to wipe their

poo-poo with dry toilet paper

Heres one of the funny conversations may occur when water man meets dry

toilet man on the way to the bathroom

Hey Ali why you taking that water bottle into the bathroom?

Oh because I use water to wash myself in the bathroom

You use water to wash yourself in the bathroom? Hey bob Ali uses water to wash himself in the bathroom [laughs]

So do you laugh like that when your girlfriend is wiping the stains off your under wear?

haha.....no

..okay

There's a lot of different types of water cans out there.

You guys know what I'm talking about right?

You don't know what I'm talking about?

Okay lets break it down for you

This is the bachelor bottle

Which is basically a water bottle with the paper ripped off of it.

I don't know why the paper's ripped off the water bottle...it just is.

But what I do know is if you see one of these water bottles in the bathroom

The brother's probably not married yet

You know what I'm sayin?

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Then there's the trendy vessel

This is a fancy pansy type of water bottle that may come in different colours

If you find one of these water bottles you are most likely in a married person's house.

Don't get me wrong the bottle looks nice but it barley holds any water

You need like 5 refills just to wash your self

Then there's the old school jug

This one may be confused as a water can which is used to water plants

Finally there's the extreme water bottle

This one 10 people can use with out a refill

If there's one of these in the bathroom you're definitely not in a married person's house.

It's a monster HELLO [echo] hahahaha crazy

You can say it's the SUV of bathroom water cans

When we say Islam is a complete way of life. It really is a complete way of life.

It teaches us everything we need to know about life, including the way we go to the bathroom

If cleanliness is half our deen and we're not clean, what does that say about us?

At the end of the day we have to be clean, people are looking at us as an example

You know being a Muslim is not just an honour, it's a responsibility

Imagine a person coming to the Masjid and they want to learn about Islam and then we tell them cleanliness is half our deen, and then they go to our bathroom they look at our bathroom and the bathroom is dirty, they realize we say one thing and our actions speak otherwise

Do you know what I'm saying?

As Muslims we're supposed to be examples

And we must be good examples and show Islam through our actions InshAllah

Not just our words

Because actions speak louder then words

This is Ali reminding you just in case you forgot

This is Ali reminding you just in case you forgot

