



# Maximizing Potential in Youth


– Insights from Seerah

## Why give good tarbiyah?

- The fragility of man's life
- Potential amanah (assets) for a man
- Looking at children as amanah (assets), and investing into them



# Importance of Youth in Islam

- Its easier to mould a sapling than to mould a tree
  - The young man who will be sheltered under the shade of Arsh on the Day of Judgement
  - “We narrate to you their story with truth. Indeed, they were youths who believed in their Lord, and We increased them in guidance” - Asahab ul Kahf
  - Hadith, “Take advantage of 5 (matters) before 5 (other matters): Youth before you become old; your health before you become sick; your richness before you become poor; your free time before you become busy; and your life before death”
  - Musa AS’s young followers
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# Importance of grooming Youth's Potential

- Mu'aaz bin Jabal RA
- Abdullah bin Mas'ood RA
- Abdullah bin Abbas RA
- Ayesha Siddiqua RA
- Osama bin Zaid RA
- Zaid bin Thabith RA
- Anas bin Malik RA



# How do we go about developing our youths to full potential?

1. Identify - Developing their Interest, Unconditional Love/Respect
2. Channelize - Treat them well, conceal their faults
3. Maximize - Mentoring and making Dua for them
4. Transform - to Performance




# Identify

## Developing their Interests

- The importance of being thirsty
- Why we should not coerce children before they are 10

## Unconditional love and respect


- Children's desire to get noticed
  - Prophet SAW taking a keen interest in children's' lives
  - Prophet SAW's conversations with Abu Umair (Rz) and Anas bin Malik (Rz)
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# Channelize

## Treat them well

- “You are just a kid” - Why teenagers hate hearing that and rebel
- The beautiful way Prophet SAW dealt with teenagers during the Battle of Uhud

## Concealing their faults


- The difficulty in concealing a fault
  - Reform, not humiliate
  - Developing the fear of Allah
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# Maximize

## Mentorship:

- How do we go about guiding - Prophet SAW's mentorship of Mu'az bin Jabal RA
- Prophet SAW training Usama bin Zayd RA

## Dua:

- "Dua is the core of Ibadah" - its relationship with humility
  - Prophet SAW's prayers for young Sahabah
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# Transform - To Performance

- “A good leader is one who creates many leaders” - The Prophetic example
- Why many family businesses fail after a generation
- The benefits of moulding a younger generation into leaders



# 13 Years of Prophethood

- Uloohate Ilahiya
    - Believing in Almighty Allah
    - Accepting commands of Almighty Allah
    - Knowing Almighty Allah
    - Attaining Almighty Allah
  - Risaalate Rasool
    - Believing in all Prophets and Haz Muhammad (Sal) as the final messenger
  - Ma'ad
    - Ibadat (Worship)
    - Akhlakhiyat (Morals)
    - Mu'amalat (Dealings/transactions)
    - Mu'ashirat (Exchanges)
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