

A Pakistani Muslim Woman's Leadership Inspiration

Leadership Value	Scripture Reference	Extra Scriptural Reference	Faith inspired individuals
Faith	<p>1- When the people of Mecca and later on Madina, refused to believe in Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) these verses were revealed to him through the Angel Jibraeel. "This is the Book; in it is guidance sure, without doubt, to those who fear Allah. Who believe in the Unseen, are steadfast in prayer, and spend out of what We have provided for them. And who believe in the Revelation sent to thee, and sent before thy time, and (in their hearts) have the assurance of the Hereafter. They are on (true guidance), from their Lord and it is these who will prosper." Chapter 2: 5.</p> <p>2 - Hazrat Ibrahim was born in Babel. All of the people in his nation, including his father, were idolaters. He started to struggle against idolatry when he was very young. He is mentioned in Quran as, "Who can be better in Religion than one who submits his whole self to Allah, does good, and follows the way of Abraham the true in faith? For Allah did take Abraham for a friend." Chapter 4: 125.</p>	<p>Faith brings contentment and success in life and can change ones whole life. Hazrat Khadija (RA) was the wife of the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) and the first one who believed in his Prophet hood. The Prophet (PBUH) said, " She believed in me when the whole world refuted me and she attested to my veracity when the whole world accused me of falsehood. She offered me compassion and loyalty with her wealth when everyone else had forsaken me."</p>	Malala Yousafzai
Patience	<p>The verse in which God addresses the believers (Muslims), "O you who have believed, seek help through patience and prayer. Indeed, Allah is with the patient." Chapter 2:153. The second example of patience in the Quran is of the Prophet Joseph in Surah Yousaf (Chapter 12) who was mistreated by his bothers and later on by King Aziz and his wife Zulekha but he remained patient. These accounts are mentioned, besides others, in verses 26-27 and 58-59. The Chapter gives a detail account of his</p>	<p>The life of the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) is an example of true patience. After the Prophet hood was revealed to Muhammad (PBUH), for the purpose of preaching Islam to non-believers, he went to Ta'if, a city not far away from Mecca. He approached the leaders of Ta'if and called them towards Islam. However, the leaders not only rejected the call to Islam but also reacted in such a way that they set young children upon the Prophet to taunt him, stone him and chase him out of Ta'if. The Holy Prophet bled till his</p>	Nelson Mandela, Benazir Bhutto

	<p>experience and conduct through out his life and his patience in the face of hardship, which resulted in reward by God in his life. gives a detail account of his experience and conduct through out his life and his patience in the face of hardship, which resulted in reward by God in his life.</p>	<p>footwear was drenched in blood. The Angel Jibraeel Alayhis Salaam (AS) came to the Prophet and said, “If you wish, then I will give the order for two angels to crush the residents of Ta’if between the two mountains in which it lies.” The Prophet forbade the Angel by saying, “I am hopeful that their descendants will accept Islam.”</p>	
Peace and Harmony	<p>“ The worshippers of the All-Merciful are they who tread gently upon the earth, and when the ignorant address them, they reply, “Peace!” Chapter 25: 63 O mankind, indeed We have created you from male and female and made you people and tribes that you may know one another. Indeed, the most noble of you in the sight of Allah is the most righteous of you. Indeed, Allah is Knowing and Acquainted. Chapter 49:13.</p>	<p>Surah Al-Furqan (Chapter 25) of the Holy Quran came at a time when the Prophet was preaching in Mecca and the dwellers became very hostile to those who embraced Islam. The Muslims were forced to migrate to Yasrab (Madina). The Chapter lays stress on peace in time of hardship that the Muslim faced during that period. Quran guides us to peacefully coexist in a society bound by love and kindness in an environment in which people’s lives, integrity and property are protected. Thus the stronger must not dominate the weaker, the rich should help the needy, the neighbor visit each other, the healthy visit the sick and everyone must refrain from speaking ill of others.</p>	Ansar Burni
Honesty	<p>The Holy Quran very clearly explain the commands of Allah about honesty and truthfulness in various verses “O you who believe! Fear God, and be with those who are true (in word and deeds).” Chapter 9:119.</p>	<p>A renowned scholar of Quran, Ibne Katheer, explained the meaning of this verse in these words, “Being truthful and adhering to truthfulness, means you will be among the people of the truth.”</p>	Abdul Sattar Edhi.
Reward	<p>“Whoever works righteous, man or woman, and has faith, verily, to them will We give a new Life, a life that is good and pure, and We will bestow on such their reward according to the best of their actions.” Chapter 16: 97</p>	<p>Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said, “ Have Taqwa (fear) of Allah wherever you may be, and follow up a bad deed with a good deed which will wipe it out, and behave well towards the people.” (At-Tirmidhi)</p>	The Prophets of Allah. (Quran) Mary, the mother of Prophet Jesus, the only women mentioned by name in the Holy Quran.