# The Holy Prophet's (S) right on US....

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### The Holy Prophet's (S) right on us – Surah Ahzaab [33:6]

النَّبِيُّ أَوْلَىٰ بِالْمُؤْمِنِينَ مِنْ أَنْفُسِهِمْ...

The Prophet has a greater claim on the believers than they have on themselves...



This verse decisively establishes the superior authority of the Holy Prophet (S) over the selves or souls of all the believers.

There is a complete surrender of self to the commands of the Holy Prophet (S).



When the Holy Prophet (s) made his announcement at Ghadīr, he first asked the people; am I not awlā [أُوْلَى] over you than your own selves? This was a reference to the above verse. The people all replied in the affirmative. Then he told them the famous declaration:

"Of whosoever I am the Mawlā Ali is also his Mawlā"



In the same Surah [Surah Ahzaab] in verse 36 Allah tells us:

## وَمَا كَانَ لِمُؤْمِنٍ وَلَا مُؤْمِنَةٍ إِذَا قَضَى اللَّهُ وَرَسُولُهُ أَمْرًا أَنْ يَكُونَ لَهُمُ الْخِيَرَةُ مِنْ أَمْرِهِمْ ۖوَمَنْ يَعْصِ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ فَقَدْ ضَلَّ ضَلَالًا مُبِينًا

And it is not for any believer, man or woman, to have the choice in their affair when Allah and His Messenger have decreed a matter; and whoever disobeys Allah and His Messenger indeed he has strayed off a manifest straying.



The above verse reiterates the point that the Holy Prophet (S) has more right over us than ourselves. But in the above verse it mentions Allah and His messenger, although we know that they both would say the same thing, as we are told in Surah Najm verses 3 and 4:

وَمَا يَنْطِقُ عَنِ الْهَوَىٰ {3} ۖ إِنْ هُوَ إِلَّا وَحْيٌ يُوحَىٰ {4}

Nor does he (the Apostle) speak out of desire. It is naught but revelation that is revealed.



The Holy Prophet (S) is the Light sent for guidance to lead people towards Allah. As such he has an unparalleled authority over the believers, an authority that stems from the authority of God over creation. The height of faith is an acceptance of this authority without resentment or scepticism

The Holy Prophet (s) says:

"None among you can ever be a true believer unless he accepts and obeys me as his master."



#### Practical steps:

- Let us as parents, role model total submission to Allah and the Holy Prophet (S).
- We need to analyse whether we are really following the Holy Prophet (S), by looking at his Sunnah (actions, words and silent approval), or are we just culturally/habitually doing things.
- In order to follow the Holy Prophet (S) let us with our children look at a Sunnah which we are not following and from today onwards make a resolution to follow it.

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