A Family Ethics in the Ideology of Muhammad Ghazali

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ABSTRACT

In this article, Abu Hamid Muhammad Ghazali's views on family ethics, the adherence of men and women in the family and the spirits of the spouses as the focus of a strong family are written. The article is written basing on the thinker’s materials “Elixir of Happiness”, "Instruction to rulers", "Letter to my son" and “Exploring the innermost secrets”.

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INTRODUCTION

Abu Hamid Muhammad Ghazali (XI-XII, Tus) in his scientific activities drew special attention to the family ethics. He has developed a set of moral standards which contributes the stability of relations of spouses in the family.

Al-Ghazali stresses obligations of men with respect to his wife as follows. Providing family includes one of the main tasks of the man which is the best blessing for him. It is written in the Qur'an: “Men are the protectors of women” (Quran, 4:34). A man should not be mean to the family expenses. The husband should be possible to his wife, asking her to prepare meal. They should eat together with their families, not alone. The Angels blessing to the man eat with his family.

The husband in the intimate contact, first of the desires, should satisfy the desires with a mean double the fun. So, as the essence of marriage based on equality. After completion of the intimate contact of the body ritual bath (ghusl) is required. A man should joke with his wife and cheer her. Jokes which should not hurt but keep his dignity and not to be a mockery of his wife. A male does not, in any case, should not be a slave to his wife. A man should be attentive to the religious knowledge of his wife. Otherwise, the wife must know about prayer questions, fasting, menstruation, etc. from another person. It is commanded for man: “Oh you, who believe! Beware, together with your families, fire, fuel for which is men and stones”(Quran, 66: 6).

The man has to be gentle and treat her gently, forgiving her mistakes is to try to reconcile. If that position is also the wife of contumacious husband had rejected her back to her need to sleep. If this does not apply to the then the husband should sleep three nights alone. However, this method is defective wife, the husband beat her for bringing up (it intact "And those wives whose allegiance you are not sure, [first] admonish, [then] avoid them in the marital bed, and [finally], beatable. If they obey you, do not hurt them. God - exalted is Great "(Quran, 4:34). If the wife does not perform a commitment of Islam, the husband should not talk to her for a month.

Families survive thanks to patience. As we mentioned ancestors of persian-tajik people, "With patience, bitter becomes sweet". Al-Ghazali considers the husband and wife should be patience to each other. Because the family remains with patience, respect and care.

A man should restrain themselves from divorce (talaq). Because divorce is a pure phenomenon that God does not like. If there is a need for a
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A woman approaches the Lord if she is at home, and can pray there.

Al-Ghazali recalls that a sincere, gracious and praying woman brings to happiness to her husband. In that the Muhammad (s) said, "This world fell in love with a pleasant fragrance, a pleasing wife and prayer because of them enjoying the body and soul". A man and a woman by nature need each other and that they need to continue the human race. Thus, family ethics Al-Ghazali worthy of attraction. Scientist on the basis of good conscience, love, happiness, etc. illuminated the moral norms that aim to strengthen relations and the stability of the couple.

CONCLUSION

Family is one of the major problems of the current society. The main reason for the collapse of marriages, not adherence to the moral demands of the family. Protect the family is a difficult task. However, keep the family together, despite the material and spiritual difficulties; it is the duty of the spouses. Without a family society is transformed into a field of debauchery and immorality. Marriage is sacred union, and it is the foundation of the family and the family the foundation of society.

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