

BEHAVIOUR *towards* RELATIVES

Allah the Most Merciful says
"Al-Birr is the quality of ones who believe in Allah, the Last Day, the Angels, His books and His prophets; spending his wealth, inspite of theirlove for it on their relatives, orphans, the poor, the wayfarer, those who ask and to set slaves free; who perform prayers and give the *Zakāt* (charity); who fulfil their covenant, who arepatient in extreme poverty and sickness and in the time of war. Such are the people of the truth and they are *AlMuttaqūn* (the pious)".
[Qur'an: Al Baqarah: 177]

Muslims are enjoined to support needy and deserving relatives. Failure to discharge this duty is considered ingratitude and disrespect for blood ties.

A Muslim is required to be kind to his or her relatives of whatever degree. They are bound together by kinship since they are supporters and heirs of one another.



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