Manners of GREETING

Prophet Muhammed described many etiquettes of meeting people, some of which are listed below:

Shake hands with one another (men with men, women with women); any hatred that exists among you will go away; give gifts to one another, you will end up loving one another and any enmity that exists among you will go away.

It is forbidden for a man to shake the hand of a woman and vice versa. It is forbidden to stand and greet or honour one who is seated - because it was the tyrants who would make their subjects stand before them in this manner.

When one greets another, it is forbidden to bow to him or prostrate to him. These are acts that signify a great deal of glorification and worship for its object and these acts are only for the Creator, Allah.



