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On Parent's Responsibilities

English translation:

Secondly, within his own family, with his daughter-in-law, with his son... with his wife, our prophet, *Sall Allahu alayhi wa sallam*,¹ says in one of his *hadiths* that "I am good with my own wife, and your well-being with your own families, your watching your families' rights is my wish." Between the man and wife, the presence of courtesy for one another, respect and endearment for one another... also, all together, for instance, constructing a congregation and praying at home ... if there is a newborn in the family, giving that kid a good name, umm... praying into that kid's ear and then naming him/her is one of the conditions of Islam.

And then, teaching the kid manners, slowly, I mean good manners that... Umm... providing knowledge to that kid... Umm... teaching religious lectures, his/her prayers, his/her pleading, his/her fasting, and then... Umm... teaching respect for the elderly... umm... is one of the conditions of, one of the duties imposed by the Islamic religion. I mean, a person who is raised with Islamic morals could never do harm on earth. I mean, wouldn't even hurt an ant, to that degree... in morality thing [morals] ... umm... the Islamic religion has that big a share. I mean, teaching kids the manners, educating them, providing them knowledge... umm... raising them to be helpful individuals to others around them is... umm... required. Raising them this way is ordered by both Allah the Almighty and by our prophet's recommendations. You see, this is the duty of every parent, to raise every kid well with their Islamic morals.

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¹ *S.A.W. or SAAW: May Allah bless him and grant him peace. Peace be upon him* is a phrase that practicing Muslims often say after saying (or hearing) the name of a prophet of Islam.