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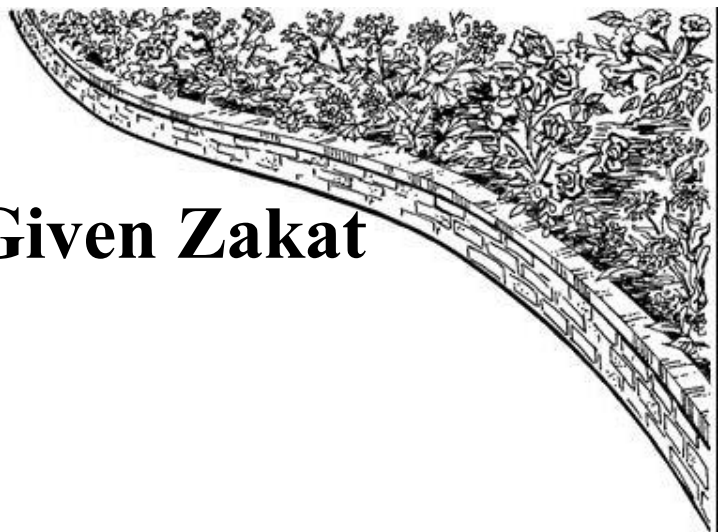
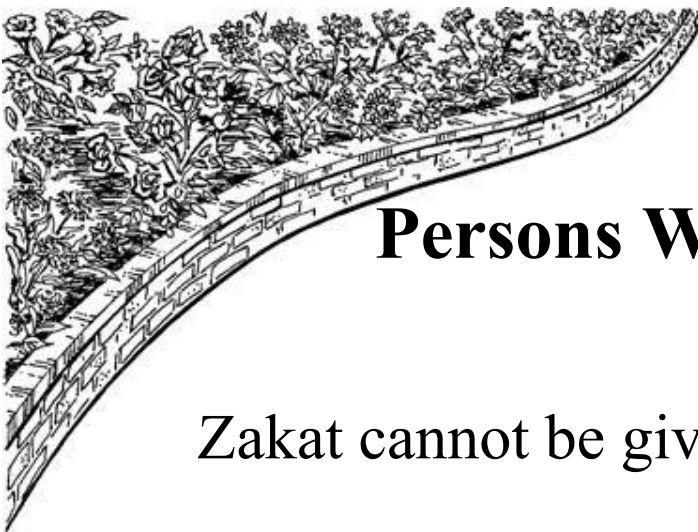
**Pillars of Islam: The almsgiving (zakat)**



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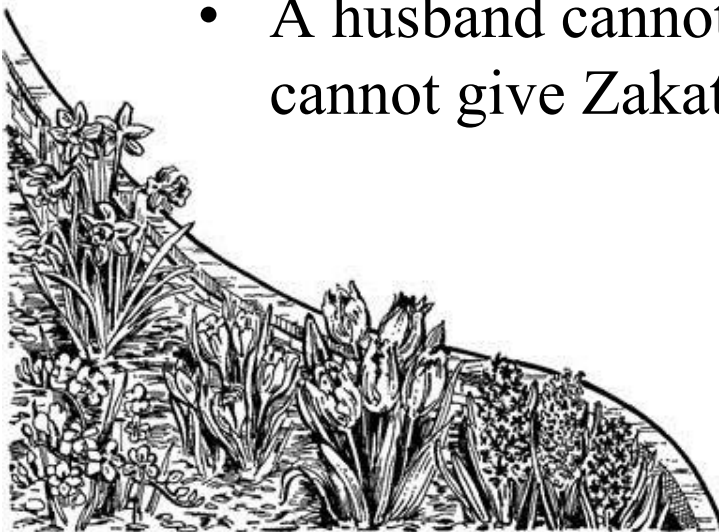
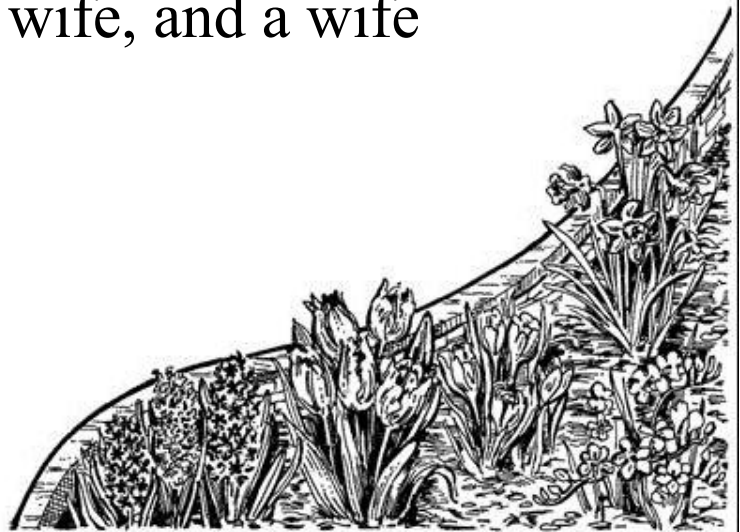
Understanding the rules regarding who cannot receive Zakat, the virtues and benefits of giving it, and the consequences of not paying it.

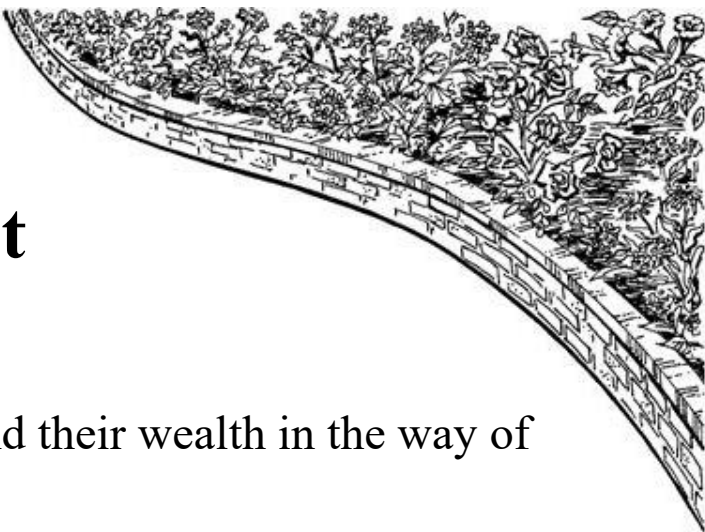
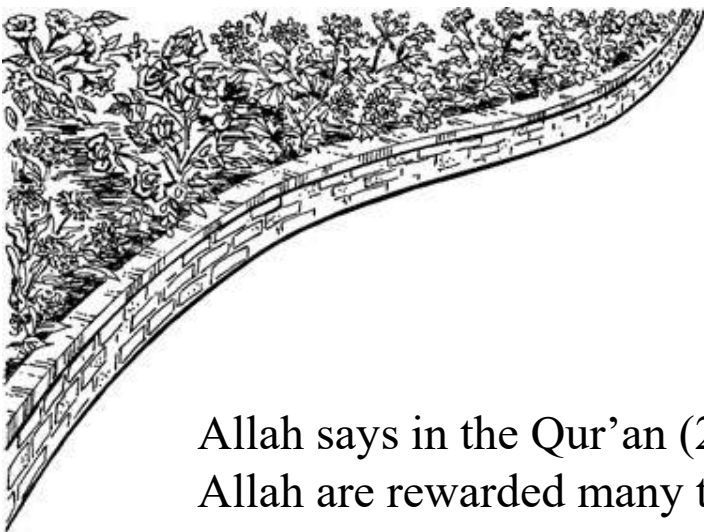




## **Persons Who Cannot Be Given Zakat**

Zakat cannot be given to:

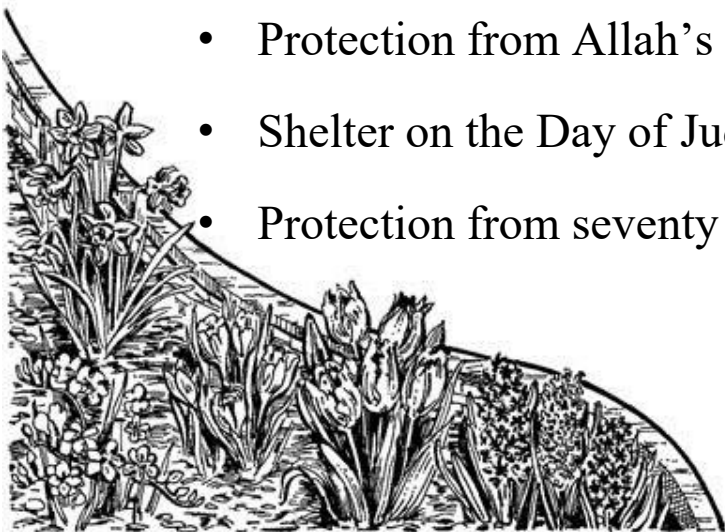
- The descendants of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH).
  - Parents and grandparents.
  - Children and grandchildren.
  - A husband cannot give Zakat to his wife, and a wife cannot give Zakat to her husband.
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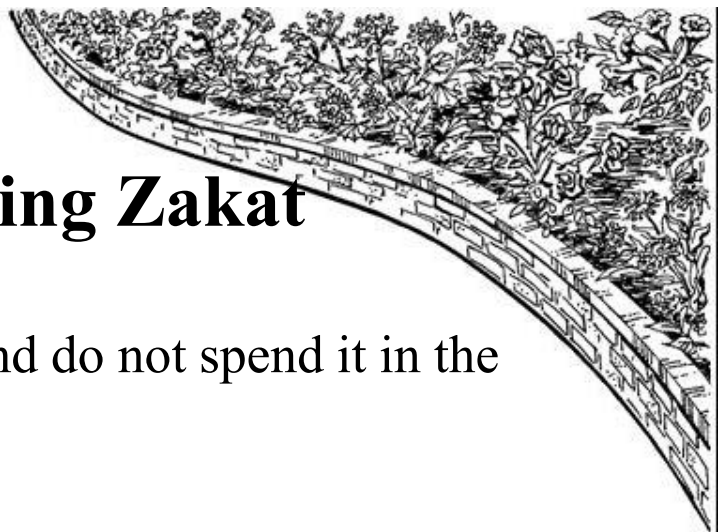
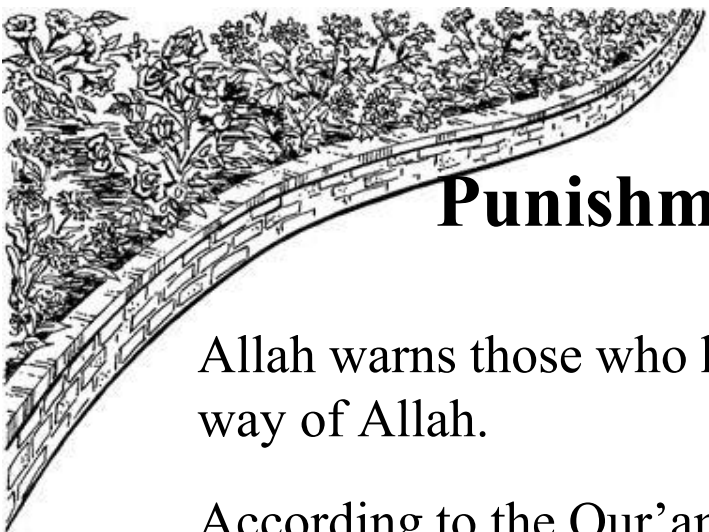


# Virtues of Zakat

Allah says in the Qur'an (2:261) that those who spend their wealth in the way of Allah are rewarded many times over.

According to the Hadith, giving Zakat brings many benefits:

- Pleasure of Allah
  - Increase in wealth and protection from losses
  - Allah's forgiveness and blessings
  - Protection from Allah's wrath and a bad death
  - Shelter on the Day of Judgment
  - Protection from seventy misfortunes
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## Punishment for Not Giving Zakat

Allah warns those who hoard gold and silver and do not spend it in the way of Allah.

According to the Qur'an (9:34–35):

- Hoarded wealth will become a source of severe punishment on the Day of Judgment.
- The wealth will be heated in the fire of Hell.
- Those who hoarded it will be punished with that wealth.

This serves as a warning against neglecting the obligation of Zakat.

Key Message: Zakat is not only a financial obligation but also a means of earning Allah's pleasure and protecting oneself from punishment.

