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PARENTS' CONCEPT OF EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN IN STRENGTHENING RELIGIOUS BASIS

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Abstract

Parents have a good role for their children in educating them, especially educating them in the teachings of good Islamic education. Basically, the first and foremost educational environment for children is education that comes from the family environment. One of the Islamic education that must be had and instilled from an early age is prayer. Prayer is a type of education that is instilled from an early age and is required to be done after reaching puberty. In various aspects, prayer itself has various aspects in education, such as education for children, education for parents and education for the people of the Prophet Muhammad SAW. This research refers to the case study of Q.S Lukman Verse: 17, using the Library Research method. In order to know how prayer can be used as a solid foundation for Islamic religious education. This concept will be an improvement for the development of the basics of Islamic education in children.

Keywords: *Al-qur'an; Child; Parents*

INTRODUCTION

Experts argue that parents are the first teachers and the family is the source of education. Fathers and mothers are naturally teachers. Because God the Creator naturally bestowed parental instincts on mothers and fathers, they act as educators for their offspring. This instinct makes parents feel love for their children, thus making them feel ethically obliged to look after, supervise, protect and guide their children. (Gilang Achmad Marzuki and Agung Setyawan, 2022: 124)

The role the family plays in helping children develop their personalities. At first glance, this looks normal, but if you look closely, this is considered very important because it can have an impact on how a child develops his character until he becomes an adult. Every aspect of a child's environment, including their family, school and community, has an impact on their personality development. The family environment, however, has the greatest influence of the three because everyone in the family can work together and have influence on each other. (Samsudin, 2019: 50)

Islamic education is an important component of education that discusses morals, religion and society, as well as other attitudes and values. Life motivation comes from religion. Islam views moral education as the foundation of education. The values in question are moral values, namely those that originate from Islamic

teachings which are based on the Hadith and Al-Qur'an. (Masrofah, Fakhruddin, and Mutia, 2020: 40)

In language, education can refer to any method, procedure, or approach to teaching. Meanwhile, education is a person's effort to prepare themselves for a life with purpose. (Amalia, Arifin, and Tjahjono, 2019: 457)

Because there are so many aspects to a child's education and parents are not always able to supervise them, it is impossible to complete this education at home; on the contrary, formal institutions such as schools must help because education is a shared responsibility in the wider community. Therefore, the role of parents is very important in their children's education. (Kholil, 2021: Hal 90)

The importance of Islamic education can be seen from the fact that Islamic education is considered a fundamental pillar in Islam. According to the Koran, the first revelation to the Prophet Muhammad was about seeking knowledge, which emphasizes the importance of education in Islam. However, the implementation of Islamic education faces various challenges, especially in this modern era. (Hafid, 2023: 100)

Prayer is one of the pillars of Islam that every Muslim should carry out. As is known, prayer relies on the rules of the Qur'an, where the foundation of the Islamic faith possessed by Muslims is formed from the rules contained in the holy book of the Qur'an. As we know, Muslims are commanded by Allah SWT to perform prayers, where prayer is one of the strongest foundations based on the pillars of Islam that must be carried out by all Muslims.

In Islam, prayer is not limited to the five daily prayers or fardhu prayers; Muslims are also encouraged to perform sunnah prayers. Sunnah prayers are prayers that if done will produce rewards; if you don't do it, there's no benefit. Dhuha prayer is one of the many types of sunnah prayers. (Indah Suci Sapitri:Vol.5:Pg.32)

Prayer is also a type of education that is instilled from an early age and is required to be done after reaching adulthood. Apart from that, it is the Qur'an that provides all educational knowledge regarding Islamic law and one of them is prayer. Prayer itself has various aspects in education, such as education for children, education for parents and education for the people of the Prophet Muhammad SAW. This education is obtained from various places, for example at home which is obtained and taught by both parents from an early age.

Then the education received from school is taught by religious teachers as educators to educate their students about religious knowledge, one of which is prayer. Likewise, lecturers or preachers or can also be called ustadz and kiyai, they are educators who teach all religious knowledge to the public, one of which is prayer.

They all have the responsibility to provide education regarding the obligatory worship performed by Muslims, namely prayer.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Research methods are the tools, procedures and techniques chosen in carrying out research (in data collection). This research methodology uses qualitative methods (qualitative research). In collecting data in this research, the author used library research with the aim of collecting data and information with the help of various materials found in the library, for example in the form of books, magazines, manuscripts, notes, historical stories, documents, and others. (Subagiya 2023)

In collecting this data, the author refers more to data from journals and books, because of the author's limitations in searching for original data, tendencies of content, writing, layout, illustrations and so on. The method used to study the contents of a document, in this research is the case study that is analyzed, namely the holy book Al-Qur'an, which is found in Q.S Lukman verse 1719. This analysis is analyzed through various information and references that have been collected and used as an explanation short and light to convey to readers.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

At this time, the role of parents is truly felt to be one of the most important factors in maintaining the stability of children's education. (Desika, 2021: 113) Children are born pure and clean because it is the mandate of Allah SWT given to their parents. What happens in the future depends on their parents' guidance, instruction, and coaching. (elkasih et al, 2019: 232)

Children learn best in their families, which is essentially their earliest and most important educational environment. A child's behavior and thought patterns are greatly influenced by the psychological figure of his mother and father. (Denny, 2019: 58)

Home dynamics are undoubtedly the primary interactions before children enter the community and school environment as parents have the responsibility to raise their children into successful students and academically uninclined individuals. (Muzammil, 2022: 97)

Children grow and develop as a result of the surrounding environment and interpersonal interactions. According to Bowlby, one of the most important aspects of the relationship that parents and children develop from a young age is the influence of parental behavior. (Amaliyah, 2020: 55)

For the progress of oneself and others, human potential needs to be developed. Spiritual and emotional intelligence are two important potentials that humans have. Direction or guidance is needed for these two intelligences, especially from the Al-Qur'an which is the fundamental source of guidance for Muslims. Gaining understanding and expertise regarding the role of parents in the Koran is very

important for fostering children's spiritual and emotional development. (Rohmah, 2022: 664)

The main source of Islamic teachings is the Qur'an, which contains a number of parables and stories that illustrate the type of education a good Muslim should give to his children, basing their education on the teachings of the Qur'an. (Ulfa, 2020: 311)

For Muslims, prayer and the Koran are guidelines. One of the acts of worship that every Muslim must perform is prayer. Because prayer has an important place in the Islamic faith apart from being God's command, prayer is a valuable act of worship that Muslims perform regularly. It serves as the foundation on which the Islamic faith is built. Muslims regularly continue to perform prayers since they were required to perform the Isra' Mi'raj event. These rituals have been passed down from generation to generation without fail, and for many Muslims, they have become an integral part of their religious identity. He has institutionalized and united Islamic society.

The modern form of prayer is not something that just happened; it is the result of a protracted process that began with a gradual decline, rather than a sudden one. This process has at least two phases: the period when Muslims were in Mecca or before the Isra' and Mi'raj events, and the period after the Isra' and Mi'raj events until the Muslims moved to Medina. There are a number of signs of prayer that are not completed at the Mecca level but are completed at the Medina level, where Muslims demand prayer properly. This is in accordance with the prophetic nature that existed previously and had not been perfected before arriving in Medina.

After these events, the people of the Prophet Muhammad SAW performed the prayer that was ordered by Allah SWT, with this, prayer became one of the pillars of Islam that we must carry out as the foundation for the establishment of the Islamic religion, and the strength of the faith for ourselves as the people of the Prophet Muhammad SAW.

These events are an Islamic education that is worth knowing, where history makes prayer the foundation or foundation for Muslims. So, from that prayer, an education that is strongly taught as a form of faith and devotion of Muslims to Allah SWT occurs.

Prayer education is usually taught from childhood, with Islamic religious knowledge and education. This education usually occurs in family education.

One field of Islamic study that attracts a lot of interest from scientists is Islamic education. This is because Islamic education contains a number of complicated problems that need to be resolved immediately in addition to its very strategic role in improving human resources. (Luqman, At, and Gudo, 2023: 27)

Family education is personal teaching that shapes the personality of each family member. Children first grow up in families, where they are influenced by its members throughout a very important and important time in their lives the early

years. Every piece of information that enters a child's head from birth is ingrained and forms the basis of the child's personality. To support this, Hasan Basri quotes Tallco Parson's statement that socialization and learning are lifelong processes, but this is most striking in the context of children.

After this education is instilled in a child from an early age, he will enter a phase where that education falls to his religious teacher, whether at school or at a religious school. Usually in this phase children who have been given an understanding from an early age begin to be sharpened and taught again to understand that prayer is obligatory. This role is also important to provide provisions for the afterlife in the form of Islamic religious knowledge and education which should be instilled in children who are growing up.

When they grow up, this understanding and education is applied and it becomes an obligation to pray for Muslims. Even though they have grown to maturity and understand that prayer is obligatory for Muslims, they are still honed through understanding and education of the Islamic religion in the social sphere. Like in assemblies or recitations that religious leaders usually deliver.

Instilling religious ideals in children is the main responsibility of parents. It is difficult and requires a lot of time and patience to teach religious ideals to children; These values must be instilled continuously and incessantly in children. From the moment a child is born, he is ready to accept good and bad.

Some of the responsibilities of parents towards their children include:

1. As educators, parents have a duty to educate their children before introducing them to the world of school. School is the first thing that must be applied to children.
2. As a motivator, or source of inspiration, parents help children develop the enthusiasm and self-confidence needed to overcome any challenges in life.
3. Consider all of your child's activities.

Every Muslim who has reached puberty and has passed the puberty period is obliged to perform the prayer. The family and surrounding environment will provide the strongest self-forming variables, therefore children who have not yet entered puberty must be educated from an early age so that later they become accustomed to it. Children are taught self-discipline and virtue by being trained to pray five times a day on time. This is because prayer is a skill that is taught to develop patience, humility and focus. (Nugraheni, 2020: 2)

The upbringing doesn't stop there. Education when performing prayers and creating a foundation for the strength of the faith and piety of Muslims is an education that is unknown to each individual. Upholding prayer is a self-education that without realizing it, by upholding prayer, Muslims receive religious education for themselves, where education makes them better individuals.

It is important for children to learn the discipline of prayer as a foundation for their faith; This should not be done haphazardly. because this prayer has quite a big

influence in everyday life. It is important to teach children in the family about amar maruf and nahi munkar so that they can recognize good things in the world and filter or avoid bad things. However, patience is something that must be remembered when carrying out this sacred task. Because there is no truth without temptation, and no struggle without challenge. A similar thing also happened to Amr Maruf Nayil Munkar. The size of the temptations and difficulties is determined by the extent of Amar Maruf Nahyil Munkar's enthusiasm. (Muzammil, 2022: 103)

Duties of parents in raising their children:

1. It is the responsibility of parents to supervise and monitor their children's behavior as supervisors to ensure that they remain honest, especially in the face of external influences from home, school, or the community.
2. Supervise children when praying, observe ablutions, remind them of reading assignments, and remind them of their movements.
3. Get to know children in all their endeavors, including interpersonal interactions.

This can be understood and known through the rules in the Koran. This rule will explain how important the role of parents towards their children can be to increase the meaning of important commands in carrying out prayer. This verse is in Q.S Lukman verse 17.

The command for prayer to create a foundation for Muslims is in Q.S Lukman which reads:

يٰۤاَيُّهَا اَقِمِ الصَّلٰوةَ وَاْمُرْ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَاَنْهَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَاَصْبِرْ عَلٰى مَا اَصَابَكَ اِنَّ ذٰلِكَ مِنْ عَزْمِ الْاُمُوْر

"O my son, maintain prayer and command (humans) to do what is right and prevent (them) from doing evil and be patient with what happens to you. In fact, this is a matter that (must) take priority."

The verse above clarifies the lesson that Luqman wants to teach his children, namely the prohibition of associating partners with Allah. In other words, monotheism is a fundamental belief that needs to be taught to children. In this case, according to Luqman al-Hakim, an educator must prioritize monotheism material so that students learn not to associate or associate anything with Allah. (Verses, 2023: 193)

Luqman ordered him to pray according to the Shari'a exactly as prescribed. Because prayer is the foundation of faith and prevents evil and detrimental actions. Apart from that, Luqman advised his son to invite people to do good deeds (preaching), which includes all good deeds and guidance that are considered correct based on revelation (dalil naql) and reason ('aql). (nandi, 2020: 7)

Luqman also advised his children not to commit sins by being kind and wise, namely refraining from doing anything that is contrary to reasonable law and upright morals. The prophets and apostles followed this path: if you call people to do good and stop them from doing evil, you will inevitably face rejection from those

people. Everyone should gladly do these good deeds because whoever does them will be awarded the highest honor and status.

Luqman based his argument on the fact that morals, Islam and faith are a unity that cannot be separated and must be formed within the individual, because all three are a unified whole. Luqman further believes that the aims of education in paragraph 17 are:

1. Forming an Islamic Personality

Verse 17, especially the prayer command, states that this is the purpose of being a Muslim. This verse is a guide to doing good deeds that can uphold monotheism, especially prayers that are done sincerely and only for the benefit of Allah SWT. By establishing prayer and perfecting its provisions, pillars and requirements, prayer can help avoid evil and evil deeds and purify the heart. Prayer is an pillar of religion and proof of faith in Allah because it is the result of devotion to Him. Apart from that, paragraph 17 of the text contains Luqman's order to the government to implement *amar ma'ruf nahi munkar*. This order has implications, because it directs the implementation of *ma'ruf* activities accompanied by a treatise to do so.

2. Forming Personal Ihsan

Verse 17 further states that the goal of creating *ihsan* humans is to be patient. The moral lessons that Luqman will learn at school then include patience, *tawadu'*, gratitude, filial piety to parents, *muraqabah*, and straightforward prayer. It is hoped that *muhsinun* (good people) apply these laudable ideals in their daily lives. Based on a number of strong arguments, Luqman's education seeks to produce authentic Muslims, namely Muslims whose faith is strengthened and demonstrated through pious deeds and moral behavior towards Allah SWT and His creation. The author provides Imam AL Ghazali's views on the goals of education below as comparison material. Therefore, parents' determination to educate and understand how important prayer is for their children, can be seen in the behavior of Lukman Hakim towards his children. In this case, Lukman provides an understanding and education for his children so that their children know how important prayer is as a foundation and Islamic religious education itself, both for themselves and for others.

CONCLUSION

The obligations of parents towards their children can be seen in the letter Lukman in verse 17 showing how Lukman plays an important role in ordering the obligation to pray as a strong foundation for the pillars of religion. In this case, the letter makes the child become: 1) an Islamic person. 2) a kind person. This gives birth to the obligations of parents towards their children when seen through the 17th verse of Surah Lukman.

The prayer education that Lukman teaches also in this verse teaches the many meanings of the obligations or roles of parents towards their children in fostering and providing ideal Islamic education based on the verses of the Qur'an.

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