



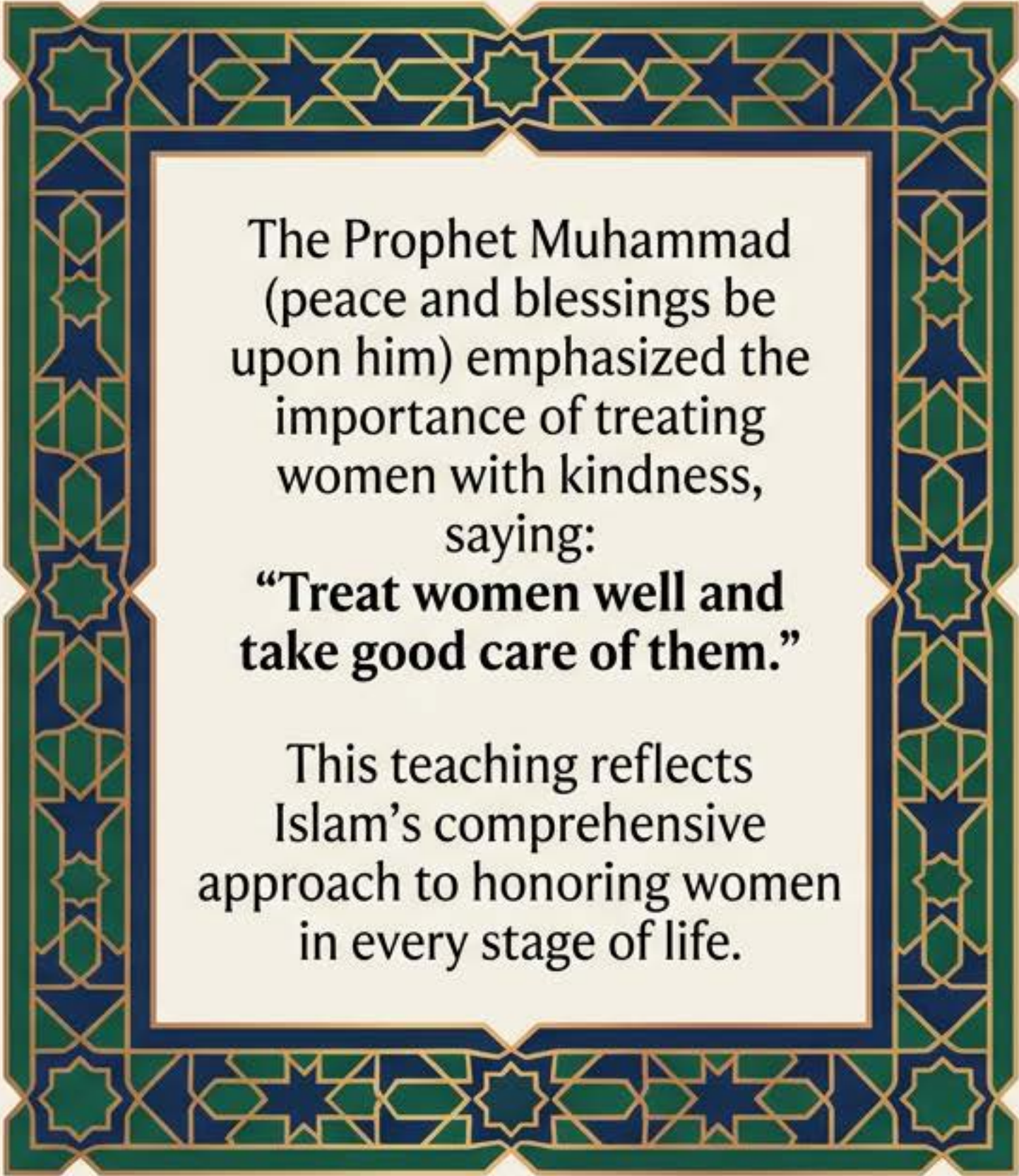
# The Divine Elevation

The Rights and Honor of Women

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Islam has bestowed great honor upon women, elevated their status, and established rights that preserve their dignity and protect their place in society.

More than fourteen centuries ago, Islam introduced principles of justice, compassion, and respect for women at a time when many societies denied them even the most basic rights.

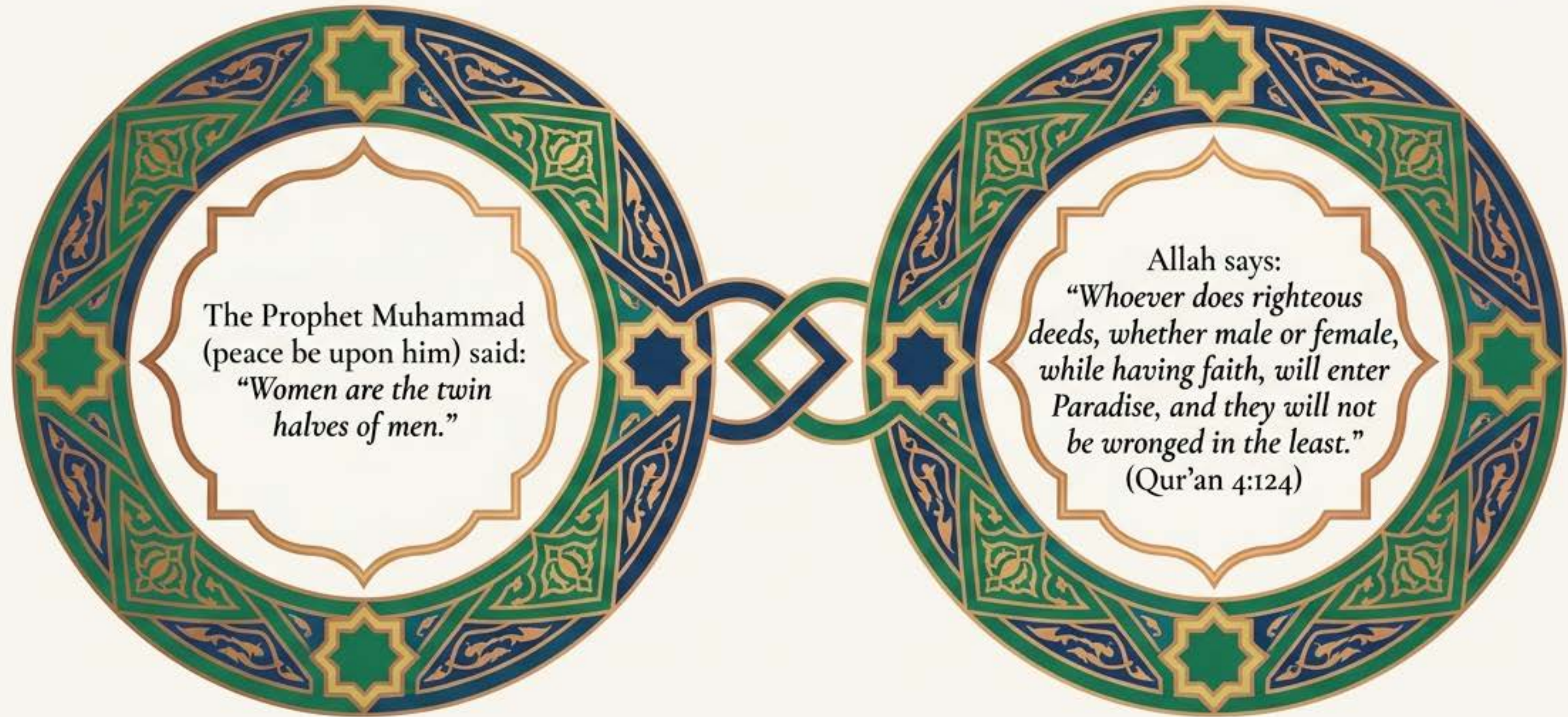


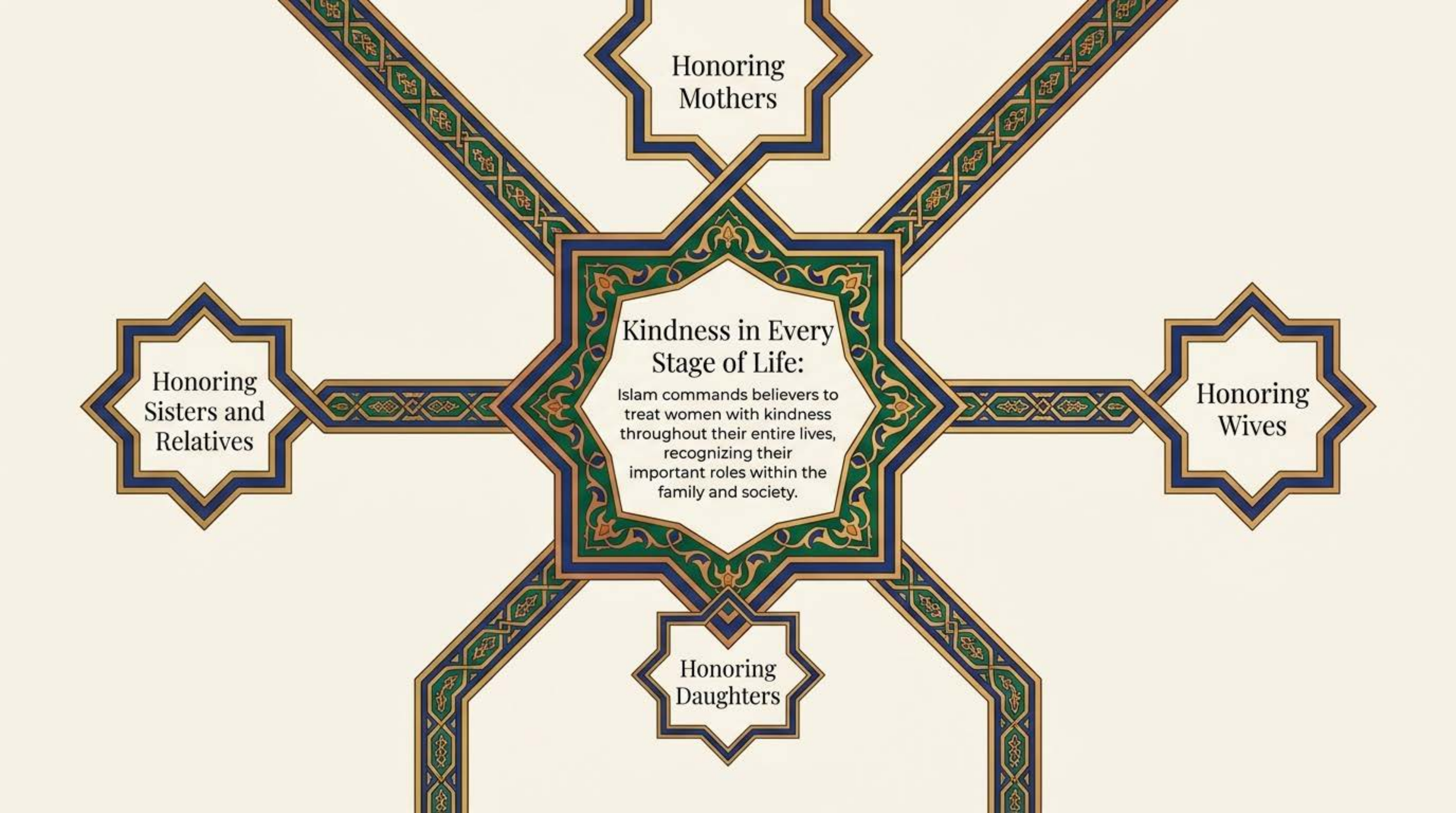
The Prophet Muhammad  
(peace and blessings be  
upon him) emphasized the  
importance of treating  
women with kindness,  
saying:

**“Treat women well and  
take good care of them.”**

This teaching reflects  
Islam’s comprehensive  
approach to honoring women  
in every stage of life.

Islam regards women as equal partners with men in their religious responsibilities and their relationship with Allah. Both men and women are equally accountable before Allah and have the same opportunity to attain His mercy and reward.





Honoring  
Mothers

Honoring  
Sisters and  
Relatives

Kindness in Every  
Stage of Life:

Islam commands believers to  
treat women with kindness  
throughout their entire lives,  
recognizing their  
important roles within the  
family and society.

Honoring  
Wives

Honoring  
Daughters

Among all people, mothers hold one of the highest positions in Islam.  
Allah says: "Be good to your parents." (Qur'an 2:83)

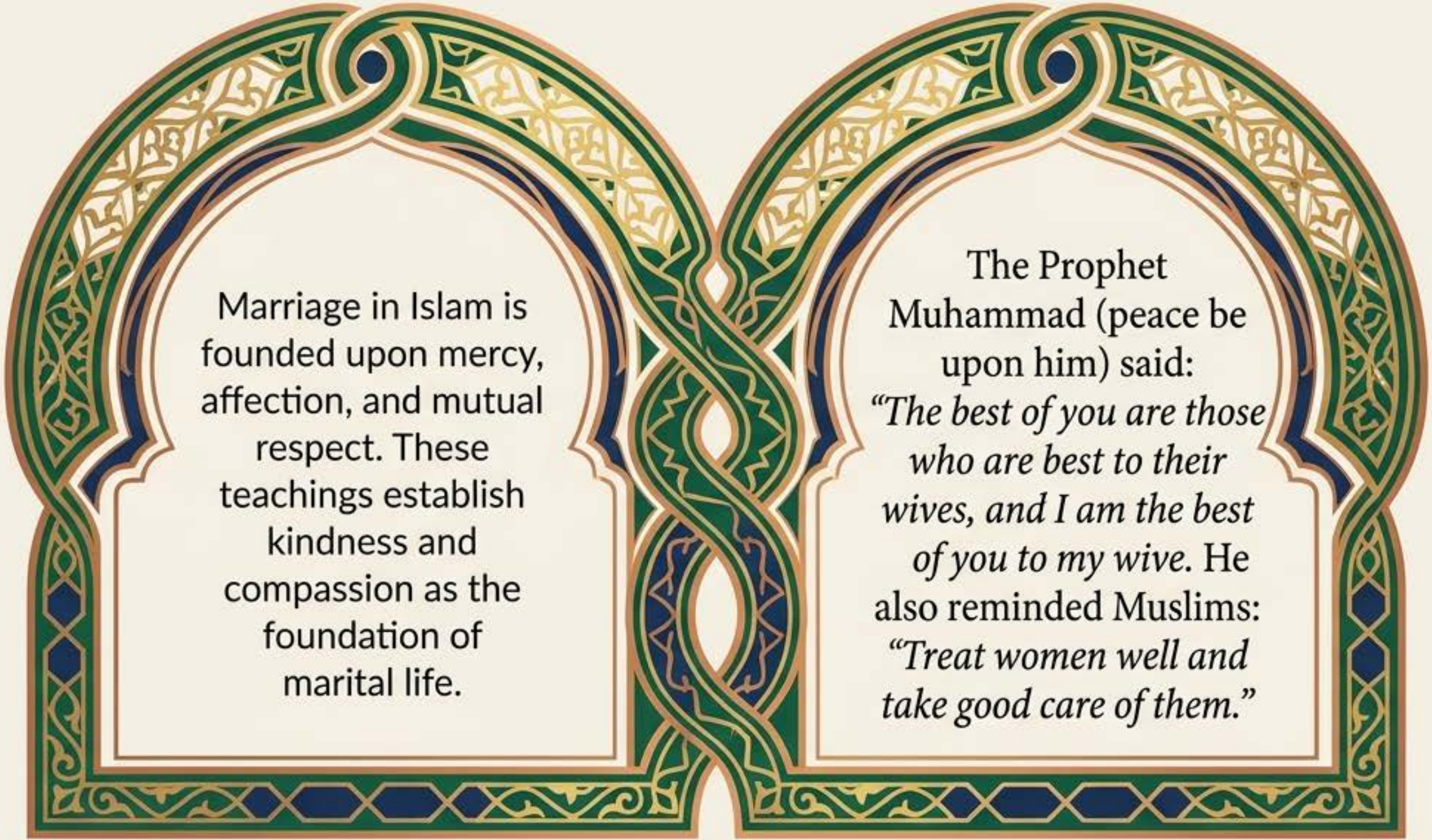
When a man asked the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) who deserved the best of his companionship, the Prophet replied:

"Your mother."

When the man asked again,  
the Prophet repeated:  
"Your mother."

After repeating this three  
times, he finally said:  
"Then your father."

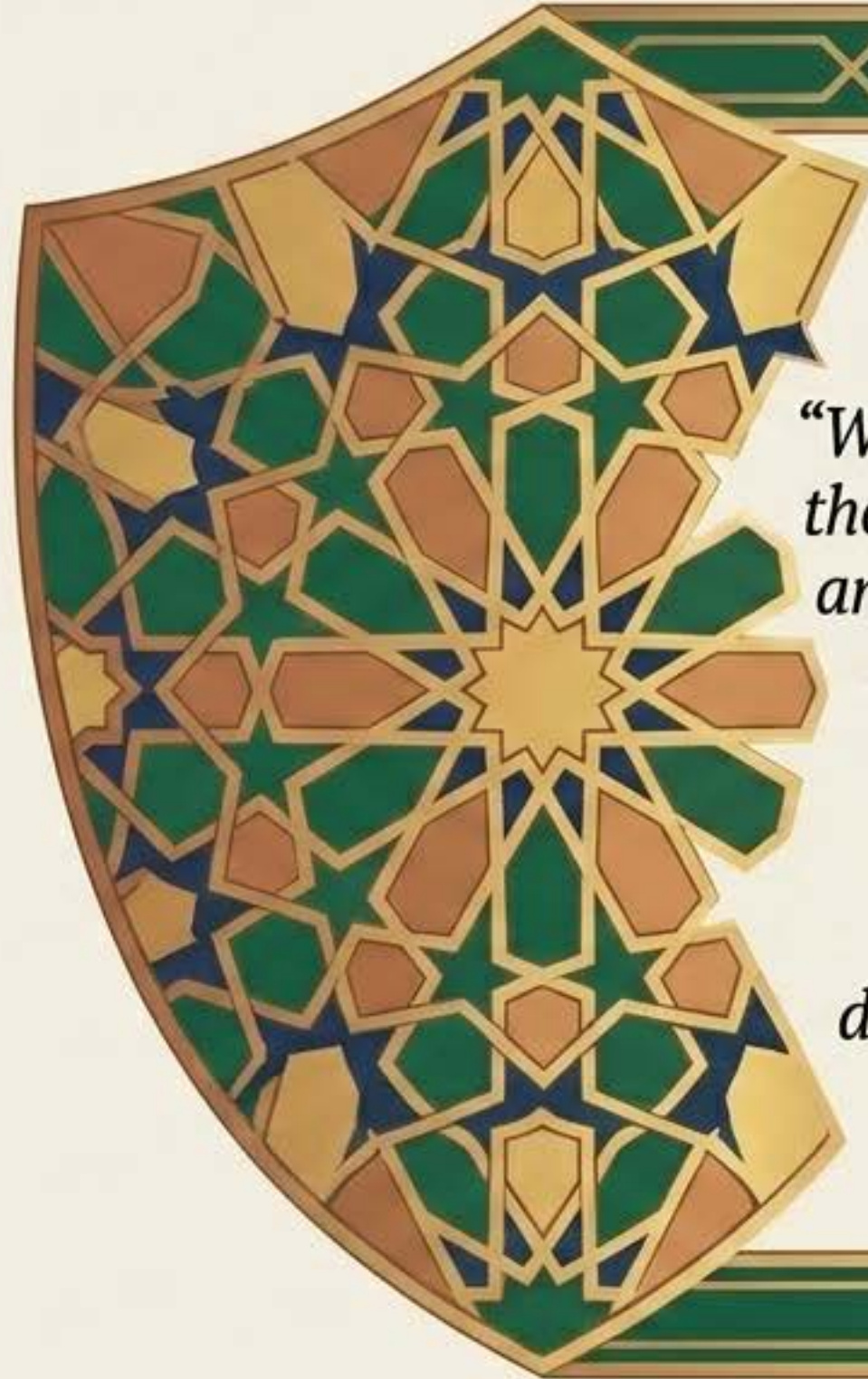
This illustrates the tremendous respect and gratitude  
that Islam requires toward mothers.

The frame is a complex, symmetrical Islamic calligraphic design. It features two large, interlocking arches (shamsas) that meet at a central point. The arches are filled with intricate, flowing script in a dark green color. The background of the frame is a light cream color, and the entire design is bordered by a wide, dark green band with a repeating geometric pattern of interlocking diamonds and lines. The overall style is traditional and elegant, typical of Islamic art.

Marriage in Islam is founded upon mercy, affection, and mutual respect. These teachings establish kindness and compassion as the foundation of marital life.

The Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said:  
*"The best of you are those who are best to their wives, and I am the best of you to my wife. He also reminded Muslims: "Treat women well and take good care of them."*

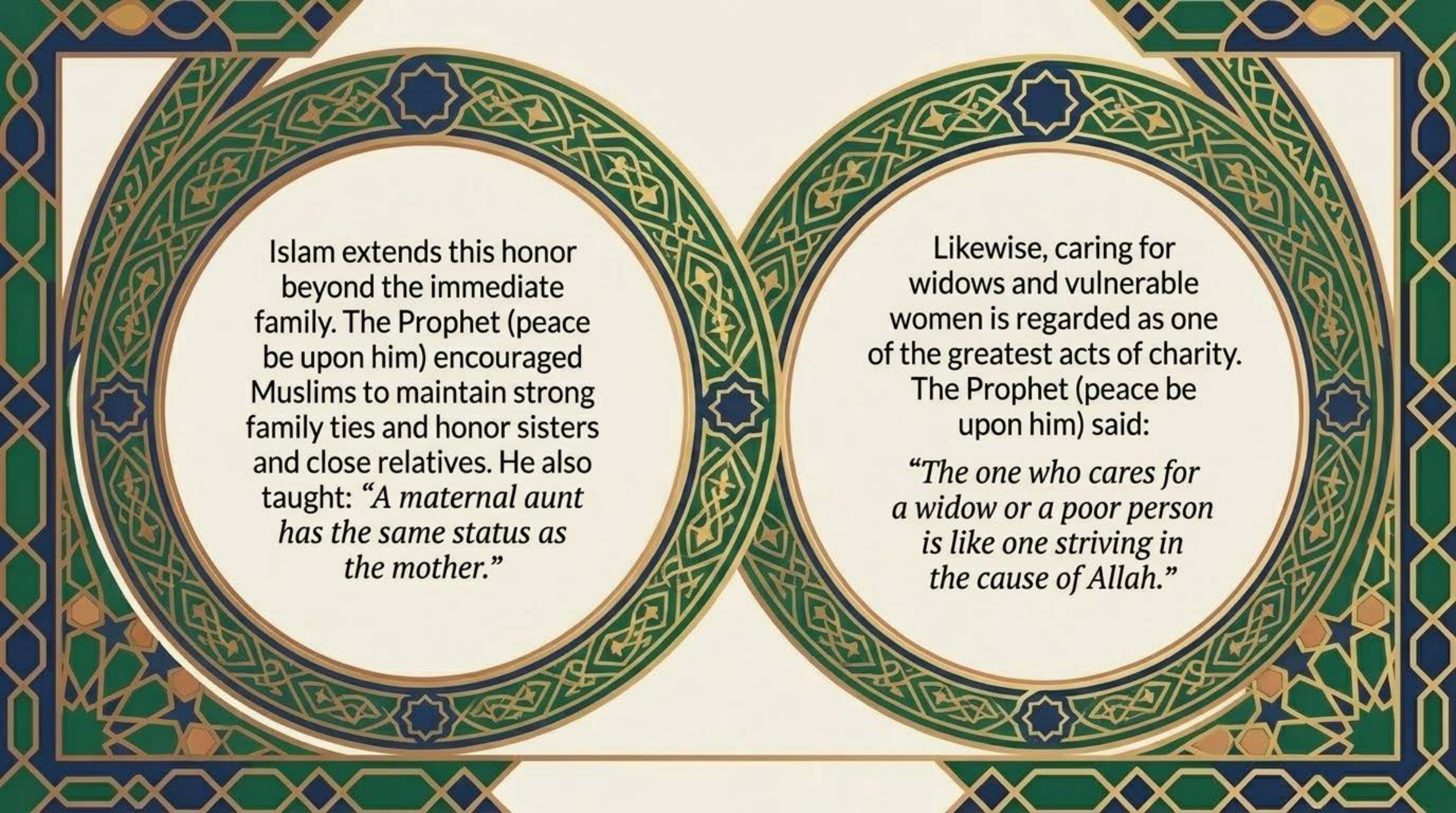
Islam transformed the way daughters were viewed by society. Rather than considering daughters a burden, Islam describes caring for them as a source of immense reward.



The Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said:

*“Whoever has daughters, cares for them patiently, provides for them, and treats them well, they will be a shield for him from the Fire on the Day of Resurrection.”*

In another narration he said:  
*“Whoever raises two or three daughters or sisters properly and fulfills his duties toward them will enter Paradise.”*



Islam extends this honor beyond the immediate family. The Prophet (peace be upon him) encouraged Muslims to maintain strong family ties and honor sisters and close relatives. He also taught: *“A maternal aunt has the same status as the mother.”*

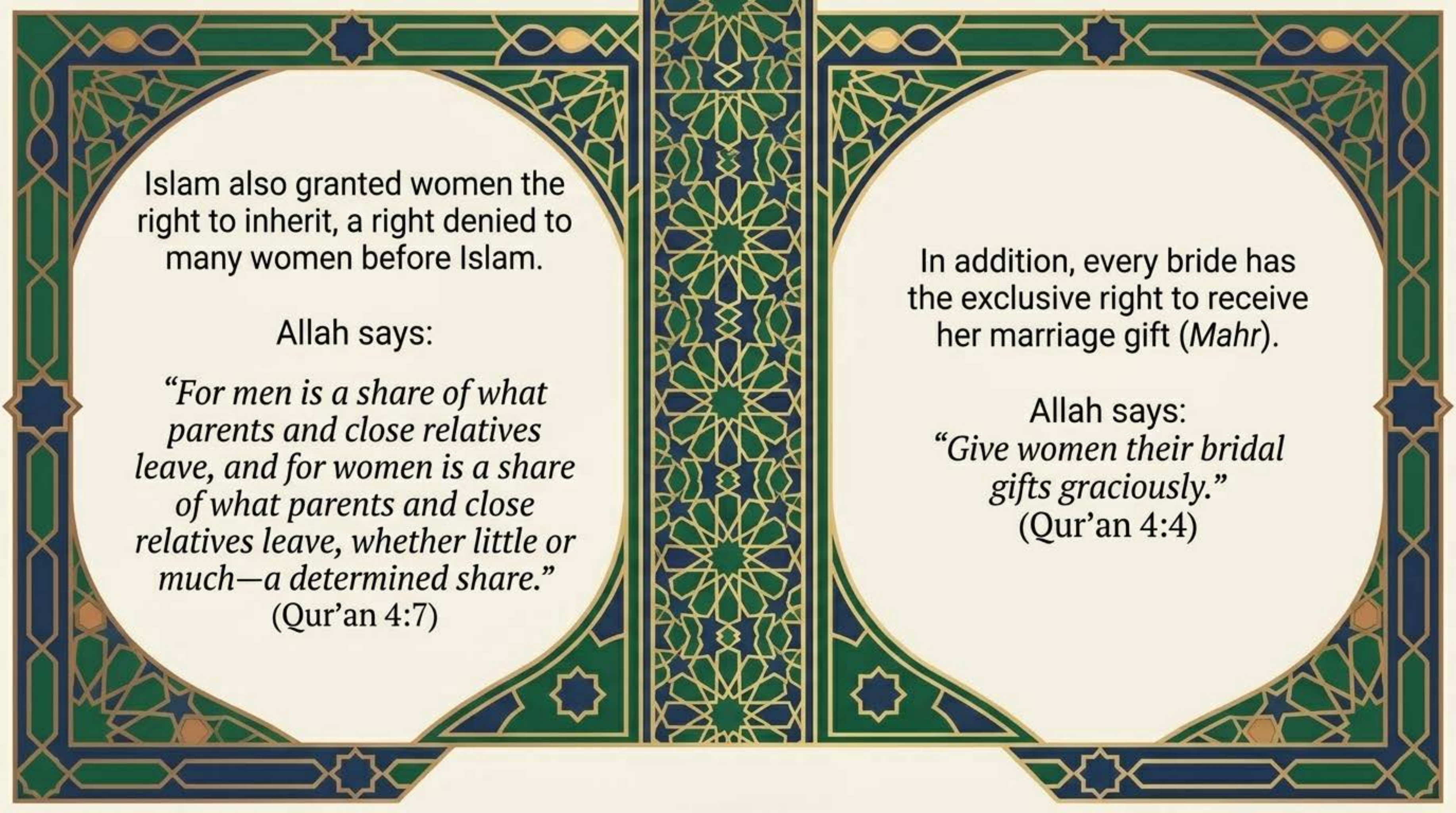
Likewise, caring for widows and vulnerable women is regarded as one of the greatest acts of charity. The Prophet (peace be upon him) said:

*“The one who cares for a widow or a poor person is like one striving in the cause of Allah.”*

Islam recognizes **women as independent individuals with full financial rights**. A Muslim woman has the right to own property, earn wealth, conduct business, buy and sell, and manage her finances without interference.

Allah says:

“For men is a share of what they have earned, and for women is a share of what they have earned.”  
(Qur'an 4:32)



Islam also granted women the right to inherit, a right denied to many women before Islam.

Allah says:

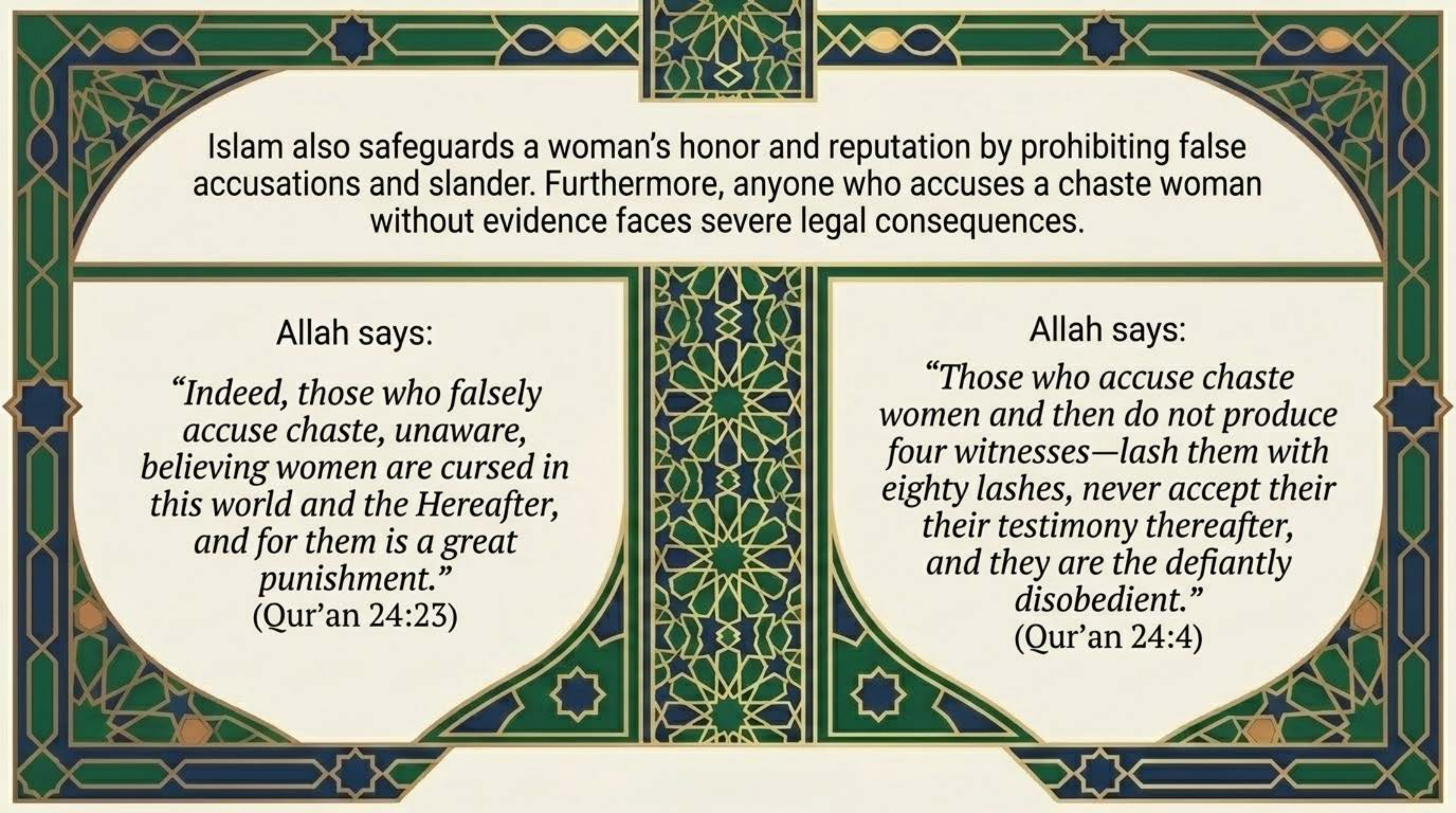
*“For men is a share of what parents and close relatives leave, and for women is a share of what parents and close relatives leave, whether little or much—a determined share.”*  
(Qur'an 4:7)

In addition, every bride has the exclusive right to receive her marriage gift (*Mahr*).

Allah says:  
*“Give women their bridal gifts graciously.”*  
(Qur'an 4:4)

Islam strongly prohibits every form of  
injustice against women.

**The Prophet Muhammad (peace  
be upon him) declared: “O Allah, I  
declare inviolable the rights the  
two vulnerable groups: orphans  
and women.”**



Islam also safeguards a woman's honor and reputation by prohibiting false accusations and slander. Furthermore, anyone who accuses a chaste woman without evidence faces severe legal consequences.

Allah says:

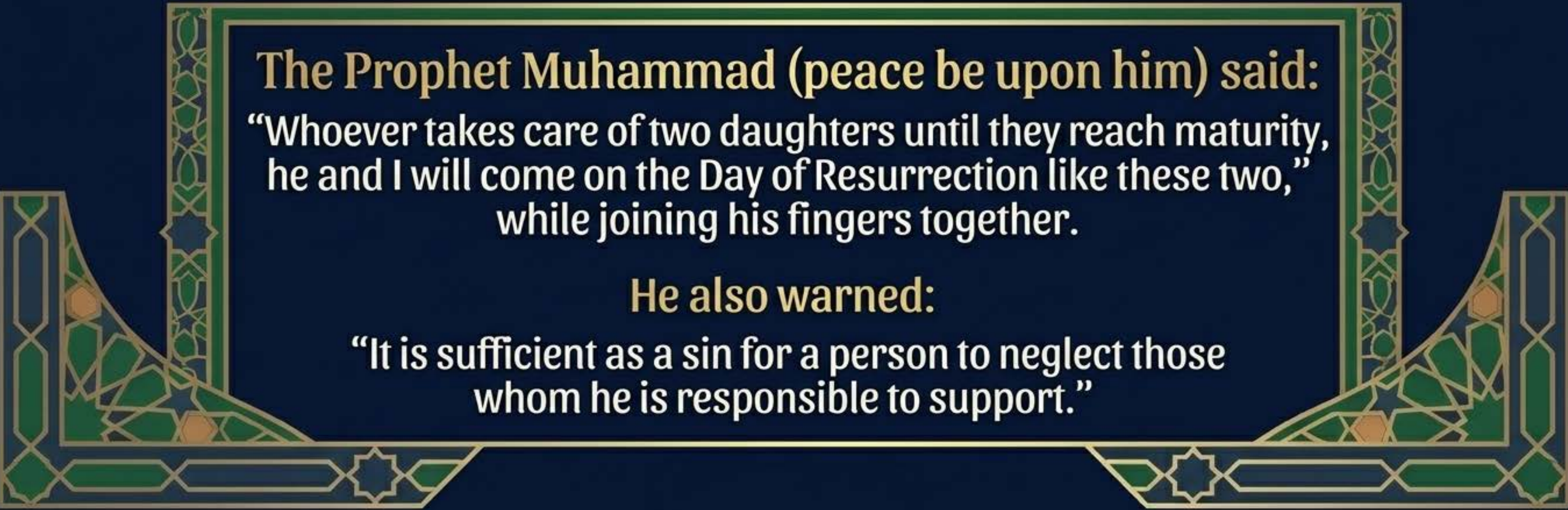
*“Indeed, those who falsely accuse chaste, unaware, believing women are cursed in this world and the Hereafter, and for them is a great punishment.”*  
(Qur'an 24:23)

Allah says:

*“Those who accuse chaste women and then do not produce four witnesses—lash them with eighty lashes, never accept their testimony thereafter, and they are the defiantly disobedient.”*  
(Qur'an 24:4)



Islam guarantees women financial security throughout their lives. A father is responsible for supporting his daughters, and a husband is responsible for maintaining his wife. These teachings ensure that women are protected from financial hardship and are able to live with dignity.



**The Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said:**  
“Whoever takes care of two daughters until they reach maturity, he and I will come on the Day of Resurrection like these two,” while joining his fingers together.

**He also warned:**

“It is sufficient as a sin for a person to neglect those whom he is responsible to support.”

Islam establishes a balanced relationship between rights and responsibilities. Rather than creating conflict between men and women, it encourages cooperation, compassion, and mutual respect within the family.



Through this balanced system, both men and women understand their obligations toward one another and work together to build strong families and healthy communities.

**Allah says:**

“Whoever does righteousness, whether male or female, while being a believer—We will surely grant them a good life, and We will surely reward them according to the best of what they used to do.” (Qur’an 16:97)



**Islam honors women as daughters, sisters, wives, mothers, and respected members of society. It grants them spiritual equality, legal protection, financial independence, and personal dignity while commanding believers to treat them with kindness and respect.**

**The teachings of the Qur'an and the example of Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) demonstrate that women occupy an honored position in Islam. By protecting their rights, preserving their dignity, and ensuring justice, provides a comprehensive framework that enables both men and women to live in harmony, fulfill their responsibilities, and seek success in this life and the Hereafter.**