

Preparing for Ramadhan

In the Musanaf of Ibn Abee Shaybah, it was related that Jaabir ibn Abdullah (رضي الله)
عنهما) stated:

"If you fast, then restrict your ears, eyes, and tongue from falsehood and sins. Don't snub the servant and cause him harm. Be of dignified, tranquil composure during your day of fasting, and do not make it the same as your day of eating and drinking."

Shaykh Abdur Razaq bin Abdil Muhsin says:

"This is of the most brilliant descriptions regarding preparing for Ramadhan, by way of explaining that fasting has been legislated for nothing other than refining the souls, purifying the hearts, and making *Taqwaa* (piety) a reality. Additionally, (it has been prescribed) to ward off sins and rehabilitate the hearts, tongues, and limbs. So how beautiful are those who enter upon this blessed month, fully prepared to obtain it's treasures ?!"

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