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The Irreparable Effects of Negligence in the Mother's Womb and in the World

One moment of negligence, a lifetime of regret!

Most of us possibly experienced the truth of this proverb in our lives! Almost everyone has, at least once, experienced failure or distress due to negligence. Humans are forgetful beings, and because of this inherent trait, we may repeat a mistake over and over again; as a result, we always need reminders so that we do not become so engrossed in our daily lives that we neglect important matters.

Let us make the effects of negligence more tangible with a simple example. Imagine that you are late getting somewhere and driving on a busy city street during rush hour. Your mind is focused on the road signs along the route to avoid taking the wrong path, but in a moment, you lose focus, and you miss the intended exit. In such situations, you may need to make a U-turn and, due to street traffic, you drive for long, tiring hours until you finally reach your destination. This slight negligence causes anxiety and worry, leading you to drive at a swift pace to continue your journey.

In fact, negligence is what keeps us away or diverts us from our intended goal. In this lesson, we intend to become more familiar with the effects of negligence in the fetal stage. We want to examine what consequences negligence has for us in the life of this world; on the other hand, what are the results of being diligent in our tasks? If we neglect the hereafter, what kind of birth will we have into the womb of the hereafter?

The Fetus Neglecting the World

The mother's womb and the fetus in the mother's womb are basically in the world and surrounded by it. However, they are unaware of the infinitely greater and more magnificent world outside the womb. The fetus in the mother's womb does not know that just a few centimeters beyond, there is a vast world where people live. If he does not follow the path according to the conditions of the world, the smallest negligence and carelessness will lead to irreparable losses.

Similarly, when we forget our <u>true self</u>, we become like a fetus that suddenly stops moving toward a healthy birth in the mother's womb and starts acquiring things that are not useful in the world. The fetus may bring extra limbs into the world after being in the mother's womb for nine months, or he may enter this world with birth defects. However, when upon settling and nesting in the womb, the fetus begins his proper movement and develops all the necessary tools to use the resources of the world, he will be born healthy.

The Effects of Negligence in the World

Negligence means our indifference or lack of attention to our destiny and happiness both in this world and in the hereafter. If we are negligent, we behave and act without precision and foresight. We invest our lives in pursuits that are not beneficial for us either in this world or the hereafter, to the extent that sometimes we mistake the false self for the true self and seek low-value honors. Even if these achievements are considered perfection, they are not true perfections.

The fact that we prioritize non-essential matters over crucial issues is one of the effects of negligence. When we fail to invest in things that result in strength, inner

peace, and happiness, and focus on matters that bring about suffering, sorrow, and depression, it means we have become negligent. In fact, neglecting our true self only strengthens our 'false selves' every day, while anything other than our true self only serves a purpose in this world and holds no value in the hereafter; therefore, it is not an efficient equipment for our eternal life.

One of the other effects of negligence is undoing years of hard work in just a matter of minutes. Just like the mountaineers who have struggled for months to conquer Mount Everest, but in the final moments, they become negligent and fall down by deviating from the path. In fact, by engaging us in trivial matters, negligence hinders our progress and the accumulation of the assets essential for our life in this world and the hereafter, and it ultimately leads to our loss.

Our path to perfection changes as soon as we become ignorant of our true self. This moment is the beginning of all the diseases of our soul such as anger, pessimism, jealousy, etc. This is when we deviate from the right path and forget the need for a healthy birth into the hereafter. While negligence and hesitation keep us from moving towards our ultimate goal, effort, attention, and high determination can lead to our success.

The Effects of Negligence in the Hereafter

Although the moment of a baby's birth is sweet and engaging to us, if the fetus is not ready for the living conditions of the world, it becomes an agonizing and painful moment. Similarly, if we are not ready for the complex, infinite, and eternal conditions of the hereafter at the glorious moment of death from this world and birth into the hereafter, we will suffer regret, torment, and pain. The complex and

advanced living conditions of the hereafter demand preparation, and since our movement towards the hereafter is unstoppable, even a moment of negligence in the world can keep us away from reaching our ultimate goal. In fact, negligence in the world prevents our healthy birth into the hereafter.

According to the Law of Proportion, just as the fetus in the womb is surrounded by the world, we too are surrounded by the hereafter in the womb of the world, and with death, we will become aware of the magnificent world of the hereafter. Our story in this world is like that of someone who, in this infinite world, is placed in a room with a one-way window. She can only see herself, while everyone on the other side of the window can see her life and behavior. In fact, we live in an extremely busy, bustling, active, and crowded universe while being neglectful of it. In this article, we addressed the effects of negligence during the fetal stage. We mentioned that the fetus is unaware of the world outside the mother's womb, and if she stops moving correctly for even a moment, she will not have a healthy birth. We understood that according to the proportion between the mother's womb and the world and between the world and the hereafter, our decisions in the world are very important; if we want to have a healthy birth into the hereafter, we need to steer clear of self-forgetting and negligence.

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