

Rewind and reflect

THE
**OTHER
SIDE**

Episode 10



Summary

The loss of a child is a pain unlike any other, but in Islam, it is not a loss without meaning. These children are not gone—they are alive, in a realm of endless peace. They play in the gardens of Jannah, soaring like birds around the Throne of Allah, cared for by Prophet Ibrahim ﷺ until they are reunited with their parents. For those left behind, the grief is heavy, but the promise is clear: this separation is temporary. In the hereafter, every tear will be wiped away, and every parent who endured with patience will find their child waiting, welcoming them into eternal joy.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Gather family and friends.
2. Watch **The Other Side, Episode 10**.
3. Read through this guide and discuss the questions provided.
4. Reflect, and grow together in faith.
5. Repeat for **all 30 episodes**.

Fitrah

The natural disposition Allah instilled in humankind; our default factory settings that drive us to worship a Higher Power and do good.

Discussion questions

- 1 Nelson Mandela once said, “There can be no keener revelation of a society’s soul than the way in which it treats its children.” What do you think this says about our world today? Do you think our society values and protects children the way it should?
- 2 How can we make sure that every child, no matter where they are, is treated with kindness, care, and mercy?
- 3 Parent question: If children are promised a special place in the hereafter, what does that tell us about how we should treat them in this life? How can we make sure we are caring for them emotionally and physically the way Allah wants us to?

References

The Prophet ﷺ said to Umm Harithah ؓ: “Woe to you, Umm Harithah! Is there only one Jannah? There are multiple levels of Jannah, and your son is in the highest level of Jannah, Jannat al-Firdaus.” [Sahih al-Bukhari #6550]

The Prophet ﷺ said: “The little ones of Paradise will take hold of their parents’ garments, and will not let go until they are admitted into Paradise with them.” [Sahih Muslim #2635]

(He is the One) Who created death and life in order to test which of you is best in deeds. And He is the Almighty, All-Forgiving. [Qur’an, 67:2]

Application

Apply what you watched in a concrete way to help deepen your understanding.

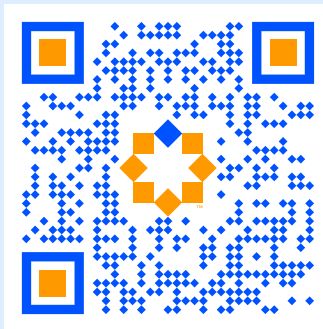
What can you do to help underprivileged kids in your own community? Think about the toys, clothes, and opportunities you have—how can you use what you have to make a difference? What are some simple ways to share your blessings with others?

Activity

Start a donation drive—whether it's for toys, coats, school supplies, or something else kids need. Team up with a local nonprofit to make sure everything you collect goes directly to children in need in your community. Even a small effort can make a difference!

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Parent tip

When discussing this topic with children, focus on the idea that meeting Allah is a beautiful and joyous reunion, like finally seeing a loved one after a long time apart. Explain that this life is a journey where we try our best to be kind, do good deeds, and prepare for that special day. Reassure them that Allah is the Most Loving and the Most Merciful, and He wants us to live in a way that brings us happiness in this world and the next.

HISTORICAL FIGURES/EVENTS

Prophet Ibrahim ﷺ

When Prophet Ibrahim ﷺ called upon Allah, he asked, “And what about my descendants, O Allah?” But Allah replied, “My promise does not extend to the wrongdoers” [Qur'an, 2:124]—a reminder that guidance is not inherited but granted by Allah. Though not all his descendants followed the straight path, his lineage carried the greatest of prophets, including Prophet Isma'il ﷺ and Prophet Ishaq ﷺ, making him the Father of the Prophets. His name, derived from the Syriac *Abb Raheem*, means “the merciful father”, a title he lives up to in the hereafter as he lovingly cares for the children of Jannah until they are reunited with their families. His unwavering trust in Allah made him a model of submission, and to this day, believers honor his legacy in *salah* and *Hajj*. His mission never ended—his call to *tawheed* continues to echo through every nation until the Last Day.

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