



Fostering Unity, Education, and Awareness within the Islamic Community

Vision

To see a world where the Muslim Ummah stands informed, connected, and empowered to thrive together. Thrive Together. Rise Together.

Mission

1u1c exists to showcase the rich heritage, resilience, and contributions of Muslims while bringing attention to the struggles that still exist. . Through education, storytelling, and community engagement, we inspire individuals and communities to take action that moves the Ummah toward a thriving future.

About 1u1c

1u1c (One Ummah, One Community) is a platform dedicated to creating awareness about the challenges facing Muslims around the world and celebrating the beauty, resilience, and achievements of our global community. We believe that awareness is the first step toward meaningful action. By highlighting our shared heritage and amplifying the voices and stories of Muslims everywhere, 1u1c aims to strengthen unity, spark compassion, and empower the Ummah to thrive together. Our work focuses on education, storytelling, advocacy, and community-building—bringing Muslims closer to one another and to a brighter, more connected future.

Prophet (pbbuh) as a Leader

I asked ChatGPT how current leadership theories and practices were found in the Seerah. I was curious because every time I went to a leadership training, the concepts seemed so familiar. Here is what ChatGPT said. Read with caution. This is not an academic article so excuse any mistakes.

Below is a concise list of 10 widely accepted modern leadership best practices, each clearly illustrated in the Seerah of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. These are principles taught today in leadership literature, MBA programs, and organizational psychology—yet practiced comprehensively by the Prophet ﷺ over 1,400 years ago.

1. Servant Leadership



Modern leadership emphasizes leaders serving their people rather than ruling over them.

→ The Prophet ﷺ served his family, mended his own clothes, helped with chores, and said: “The leader of a people is their servant.”

2. Leading by Example (Modeling Behavior)

Best practice: credibility comes from action, not position.

→ He never commanded others to do what he himself would not do—whether in worship, patience, or sacrifice.

3. Emotional Intelligence & Empathy

Modern leaders must understand emotions, motivations, and human needs.

→ He listened attentively, validated feelings, showed mercy to children, widows, and the marginalized, and adjusted his approach to individuals.

4. Consultative Decision-Making (Shūrā)

Today's leadership values collaboration and inclusive decision-making.

→ The Prophet ﷺ regularly consulted companions—even younger ones—on military, political, and social matters (e.g., Battle of Badr, Uhud).



5. Clear Vision & Purpose

High-performing organizations are driven by a compelling mission.

→ His message centered on Tawhīd, justice, and moral reform, communicated consistently and clearly despite opposition.

6. Adaptability & Strategic Thinking

Modern leaders must respond effectively to changing environments.

→ He adapted strategies based on circumstances (e.g., treaties, migration to Madinah, phased implementation of laws).

7. Conflict Resolution & Reconciliation

Best practices stress de-escalation and restoring relationships.

→ He forgave enemies, resolved tribal disputes peacefully, and emphasized reconciliation over revenge (e.g., Conquest of Makkah).

8. Accountability & Integrity

Trust is the foundation of effective leadership.

→ Known as Al-Amīn (the Trustworthy) even before prophethood; he held himself and others accountable regardless of status.



9. Developing Future Leaders (Succession Planning)

Strong leaders invest in others, not just outcomes.

→ He mentored companions like Abu Bakr, Umar, Ali, Mu‘adh ibn Jabal, and others—empowering them with responsibility early.

10. Justice & Fairness Without Favoritism

Ethical leadership demands impartiality.

→ He declared that even his own daughter would be accountable under the law, reinforcing equality and rule-based governance.

Why This Matters Today

What modern leadership theories describe in frameworks and textbooks, the Seerah demonstrates in lived practice—across governance, family life, conflict, crisis, and community building.

