

Fast 4

Prophet does not ask for any personal reward, return or gain from people:

“Say: I do not ask you for any reward for it. It is nothing but a Reminder for the nations.” — 6:90

“I ask for no reward from you. My reward is only with Allah, and I am commanded to be of those who submit.” — 10:72*

“And, my people, I do not ask you for wealth (in return) for it. My reward is only with Allah, and I am not going to drive away those who believe. Surely they will meet their Lord, but I see you a people who are ignorant. And, my people, who will help me against Allah, if I drive them away?” — 11:29–30*

“My people, I ask of you no reward for it. My reward is only with Him Who created me. Do you not then understand?” — 11:51*

“And you ask them no reward for it. It is nothing but a Reminder for the nations.” — 12:104

“Say: I ask of you no reward for it except that whoever wishes may take a way to his Lord.” — 25:57

“Say: I exhort you only to one thing, that you rise up for Allah’s sake by twos and singly; then ponder! There is no madness in your companion. He is only a warner to you before a severe punishment. Say: Whatever reward I ask of you, that is only for yourselves. My reward is only with Allah, and He is a Witness over all things.” — 34:46–47

“Follow him who asks of you no reward, and they are on the right course.” — 36:21

Notes:

*These three verses (10:72, 11:29–30 and 11:51) are the words of other prophets quoted in the Quran, but also represent what the Holy Prophet Muhammad said.

Religious teachers and clerics often seek some gain from the people, such as money, position, influence, popularity etc. Incidents of their greed are legendary. In present times many of them seek political power through their religious leadership. They keep the masses trapped in ritual practices and ignorance.

But the Holy Prophet sought no gain from people. His aim was solely their guidance and reform, as was the aim of every prophet. Every Muslim religious instructor should also follow this example.
