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As he visited 'Ā'ishah (may Allah be pleased with her), Sa'd ibn Hishām ibn 'Āmir said: "O mother of the believers, tell me about the character of the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him)." She said: "Do you not recite the Qur'an?" He said: 'Yes.' She said: "Indeed, the Prophet's character was the Qur'an."

[Authentic] [Narrated by Muslim as part of a long Hadīth]

The mother of the believers' Ā'ishah (may Allah be pleased with her) was asked about the Prophet's character, and she replied with one comprehensive sentence, referring the questioner to the noble Qur'an, which comprises all attributes of perfection. She said that the Prophet (may Allah's peace and blessings be upon him) possessed the morals of the Qur'an. Whatever the Qur'an commanded him to do or prohibited him from doing, he would comply. So, his character was to act upon the Qur'an, observe its limits, assume its ethics, and take lessons from its parables and stories.

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