43289 - What Is A Woman’s `Awrah in Front of Her Children?

the question

I have a child who is 11 months old, and sometimes I change my clothes in front of him. Is that permissible? How old should the child be when it is not permissible to take off my clothes in front of him, or to wear short clothes at home with my husband in front of him? Please advise me, may Allah reward you with good.

Summary of answer

If the child understands what the `Awrah is, then it is not permissible for a woman to uncover her `Awrah in front of him.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

If the child understands what the `Awrah (private parts which need to be covered in public) is, then it is not permissible for a woman to uncover her `Awrah in front of him.

But if he does not understand because he is little, then it is permissible.

It seems that at the age of 11 months he will not understand, but if a child is four or five years old, he may understand this matter.

The point is that if he understands and such actions will stick in his mind, then it is not permissible for a woman to uncover the most private `Awrah in front of him.

For further information, refer to the following answers:

What Is a Woman’s `Awrah?

Uncovering the `Awrah in Front of Children

Children Exposing Their Private Parts to One Another

A Woman’s `Awrah in Front of Women

Can a woman breastfeed her child in front of her Mahrams?

And Allah knows best.