

SEERAH(BIOGRAPHY) OF PROPHET MUAHAMMAD(PBUH)

LESSON:16 {IN ENGLISH}

SEERAH OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD (sal'Allahu alaihi wa sallam)



Assalamu 'alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakaatuhu



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The first Believers (continued).



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Khadeejah (RadiAllahu 'anha) was the first person to believe her husband who had been chosen as Allah's Messenger and Prophet. As his wife, she knew more than anyone else did that Muhammad (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) was no ordinary man: his sublime character and innate morality set him apart from those he lived among. She had heard talk about Allah's final prophet who was yet to appear.



She had also heard about some of the strange and miraculous events that others had witnessed concerning Muhammad (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam). Furthermore, she had heard Waraqa say that the angel who had come to the cave of Hira was none other than Jibra'eel and that this angel had brought Muhammad (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) a revelation from Allah.



Lastly, she was present at the moment when Surah Al-Muddaththir was revealed. It was therefore only natural that she was the first to believe in Muhammad (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) and his appointment as Allah's final messenger.



Abu Bakr (RadiAllahu 'anhu) was also among the first people to become Muslim. When the ayaah of Al-Muddaththir were revealed, the Prophet (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) went to Abu Bakr, who was a leading Makkan trader and a prominent figure in his own right, and told him what had happened. Two years younger than the Prophet, he was thoroughly familiar with his friend's character and the reputation he enjoyed in the community for truthfulness.



Abu Bakr did not doubt Muhammad's (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) declaration of his prophethood, just as he did not refuse his invitation to Islam. With his declaration of faith, he became one of the first Muslims.



'Aliy bin Abu Talib (RadiAllahu 'anhu) was only a child when the Prophet's (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) mission began, and some sources indicate that he was ten years old when he became Muslim. He was living under the Prophet's (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) guardianship since his father, Abu Talib, was unable to provide for all his children. Muhammad (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) was like a second father to the boy, who believed without a doubt that his guardian was indeed a prophet, and that he had brought the truth.



Among the first to accept the faith was also the Prophet's (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) freedman, Zayd bin Haarith bin Sharahbeel Kalbi (RadiAllahu 'anhu). Sold into slavery in the pre-Islamic era, Zayd had refused to leave the Prophet (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) when his relatives tried to buy his freedom.



For a while he was known as Zayd bin Muhammad, but following the prohibition of giving adopted children the names of their foster parents, he was referred to by his actual name as mentioned above. Notwithstanding the change of name, Zayd's love for the Prophet (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) was deep and the bond between the two was enduring.

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