

SEERAH (BIOGRAPHY) OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PBUH)

LESSON:36 { IN ENGLISH }



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TOPICS:



Talks between Abu Taalib and the Quraysh.



The Quraysh challenge Abu Taalib.



TALKS BETWEEN



ABU TAALIB & QURAYSH



After considerable thought as to strategy, some nobles of the Quraysh came to Abu Taalib and said to him,



□ "Your nephew speaks ill of our gods, casts blame on our religion, calls us ignorant and frivolous, and denounces our fathers as depraved and misguided. Either you stop him, or cut him off so that we can deal with him."



Abu Taalib answered them mildly and let them leave without an altercation. Muhammad (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam), however, continued to proclaim himself Allah's Prophet, and continued to call on all to embrace Islam.



THE QURAYSH



CHALLENGE ABU TAALIB



Soon the Quraysh realized that Abu Taalib was not going to ask his nephew to stop his rebellious preaching. They could no longer keep silent, and eventually they all came together to plan their response to the situation.



Afterwards, they again met with Abu Taalib, and this time their words were not so honeyed. They warned him sternly,



□ "O Abu Taalib, you are old and we hold you in high esteem. We asked you to restrain your nephew, but you did nothing. By God, we cannot tolerate this any longer—our fathers are denounced, we are called ignorant, and our gods are insulted. Either you stop him, or we will fight you both until one side perishes."



Abu Taalib felt the sting of these belligerent words. The polytheists of Makkah had challenged him, and he took the threat seriously. He sent for the Prophet (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) and told him of what the men of the Quraysh had said. "Have mercy on me and yourself," he told his nephew, "and do not impose on me a burden greater than I can bear."



When the Prophet (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) heard what Abu Taalib had to say, he replied:



□ "O my uncle, I swear by Allah, if they were to place the sun in my right hand and the moon in my left and ask me to abandon this mission, I would not turn from it until Allah made me victorious or I perished therein."



Witnessing Muhammad's (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) resolve, Abu Taalib unhesitatingly offered his nephew his full support.



□ "Come back, my nephew! Go where you please and say what you will. By God, I will never turn away from you, come what may."

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