

# SEERAH (BIOGRAPHY) OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PBUH)

## LESSON:49 { IN ENGLISH }



**Assalamu alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakaatuhu**



**SEERAH OF MUHAMMAD ( SalAllahu alaihi wa sallam)**



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TOPIC:



Umar bin Al-Khattaab accepts Islam (Continued).



UMAR BIN AL-KHATTAAB  
ACCEPTS ISLAM

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One day Umar set out from his house and headed for the Holy Sancturay where he saw Muhammed (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) offering prayer and overheard him reciting ayaah of the surah Al Haaqqah (69 – The Reality, ayaah 40-43) of the Noble Qur'an.



The words of Allah appealed to him and touced the innermost cells of his heart. He felt that hey have derived from unusual composition and began to question the people's allegations as regards to the man-composed poetry or words of a soothsayer that they used to attach to the Noble Qur'an.



The prophet (salAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) went on to recite :



“That this is verily the word of an honoured Messenger (I.e., Jibra'eel). It is not the word of a poet, little is that you believe! Nor is it the word of a soothsayer (or a foreteller), little is that you remember ! This is the Revelation sent down from the Lord of 'Aalameen (Mankind, Jinns and all that exists).”



At that very moment Islam penetrated into his heart. However, the dark layer of pre-islamic tendencies, the deep seated traditional bigotry as well as blind pride in his forefathers overshadowed the essence of the great truth and his heart remained firmly opposed to Islam and the Prophet (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam).



His opposition grew to the point that one day he picked up his sword and decided to kill the Prophet (salAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam). Fortunately, Umar did not succeed in carrying out his intention. With his sword gripped in his hand and his mind made up, Umar met Nu'aym bin Abdullah who asked him, "Where are you going?"



□ "I am going to slay Muhammad," he replied.



□ "How will you save yourself then from Banu Hashim and Banu Zuhra?"



Angered at this question, which seemed like a challenge to him, Umar replied,



□ "It seems as if you have forsaken our faith."



□ "Umar!" Nu'aym countered. "The amazing thing is that your sister and brother-in-law have also renounced your faith."



Umar was furious, and his attention was diverted from the Prophet (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) to his own family. In a rage, he headed straight for his sister's house. At that moment, Khabbab bin Aratt was at Umar's sister's house teaching her and her husband Surah Ta-Ha.



When they heard Umar outside the door, Khabbab hid himself, and Fatimah, Umar's sister, quickly hid the sheets of paper upon which the Qur'anic ayaah were written.



□ "What was that babble I heard?"



They could see that Umar was enraged and armed with a sword.



□ "Nothing, we were just talking."



□ "Maybe, both of you have renounced your faith," Umar said.  
Umar's brother-in-law said,



□ "Well, tell me, Umar. What if the truth lies far from your religion?"



Umar's response to this question was swift and violent. He pounced upon his brother-in-law and beat him mercilessly. When his sister tried to disengage the two in defense of her husband, Umar hit her hard on the face. Blood ran down her cheek, but at this point Fatimah was not to be deterred from speaking the truth.

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