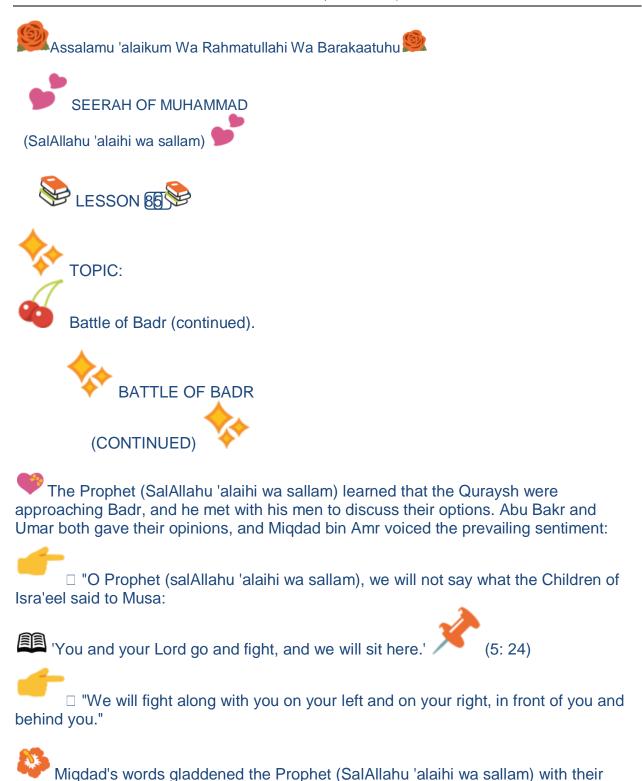
SEERAH OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD(PBUH)

LESSON:85(IN ENGLISH)



sincerity, for he had worried the Ansaar would fight in defense only if they were attacked

in Madinah. After all, the Second Pledge of Aqabah did not call for the Ansaar to fight alongside the Prophet (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) outside the city. The Prophet (salAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) then asked the men if they all agreed.

The Muslims then made a small enclosure of palm branches in which the Prophet (salAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) would stay while directing his men during the battle. A group of Ansaar youths were put under the command of Sa'd bin Mu'adh to act as lookouts.

After this, the Prophet (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) walked around Badr with his men, saying: 'This is the spot where so and so will fall in battle tomorrow, God-willing". He passed the night in prayer at the foot of a tree while a gentle rain fell and lulled the men into a refreshing sleep. Allah recounts His favor to the believers in the following ayah:

"Remember how Allah enveloped you with drowsiness to make you feel safe. He caused rain to descend upon you from heaven so you could clean yourselves—rain

that also removed Shaitaan's influence, strengthened your hearts, and made you stand firm in battle." The next morning (Friday, Ramadan 17, 2 A.H.) the two armies came face to face. □ "O Allah! Here come the Quraysh in their vanity and arrogance," the Prophet (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) supplicated. "They deny You and call Your Prophet a liar. O Allah! Fulfill Your promise to me! Help us, Allah!" The Prophet (SalAllahu 'alaihi wa sallam) assembled his men and told them not to begin fighting until he ordered them to do so. □ "Use arrows only when they come close, and don't draw your swords unless they are very near." Abu Bakr then escorted the Prophet to the small enclosure where the He began to pray to his Lord: □ "O Allah! If this group is destroyed today, You will not be worshipped for ever. O Allah! If it is Your consent that after this day You will not be worshipped for ever." Abu Jahl also prayed: □ "O God, destroy today the party that seeks to break filial ties and believes in wrong-doing. O Allah! Help the party today which is much loved by you."

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