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Foreword

Seerah of Ummul Momineen Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra. Hazrat Khadija's life story is the subject of this book. In Islam, she represents the ideal of a woman. She immediately donated everything she owned in the service of Allah and she was the first to believe in the mission of the Holy Prophet 2. With being the Holy Prophet's ﷺ wife, She was the Holy Prophet's **#** dearest friend and most competent adviser. When the entire Makkah turned against the Holy Prophet 2 and his enemies made every effort to eradicate Islam from the planet, she was a huge comfort to him. Among the many women who have made significant contributions to Islamic civilization, Hadrat Khadija was the first. Every time I read about Hadrat Khadija's efforts in the early days of Islam, I can't help but be impressed by her knowledge, tenacity and Virtues.

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Part 1

Hadrat Khadija and The Jahiliyyah era

Introduction

In the City of Makkah, A man named Khuwaylid was one of the tribal leaders and was a well established trader. With his daughter who had not yet matured enough, one day went out with. When both father and daughter reached a place, Khuwaylid saw some people. He hid his face or turned his face to the other side. His daughter asked.

Blessed Girl: Dear Father! What's the matter? Why have you turned away?

Khuwaylid: Daughter! You must be watching! Ignorant people are worshiping idols. And halfnaked, they are asking for their needs from these lifeless stone idols. Daughter! These rituals are absurd and misleading. And I am very disgusted with them.

Blessed Girl: When these idols are useless and nothing is gained by worshiping them, why do Our tribal people worship them?

Khuwaylid: Dear Father! These People are ignorant, unintelligent, and vile. These gods are incapable of realizing the true nature and knowledge. Darkness has covered their hearts and minds, and these Polytheists are in a delusion that destroys human consciousness.

The Blessed Girl heard these. words from her father. So she also hated idols and idolatry from early on. The Girl who was born and raised in a society that was religiously perverted and morally corrupt. The society worshiped idols, and praised mundane poets and indecent entertainers. Her family was unaffected by the evils of the Makkan society . They did not take pride in burying their daughters alive. And She was flawless in behavior, compassionate and benevolent. ¹ She was the best Women in her time,

Like Hadrat Mariyam. Like Hadrat Asiya. Like Hadrat Hajra 8he was An Nisah Tul Kubra. Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra

> رضي الله عنها * * *

¹ History of Arab, mawalafa

Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra, Idol Hubal and Awaiting of Prophet

Makkah ladies were once gathered around the Ka'bah during a festival. Hubal's idol was set up in the vicinity of Ka'bah along with numerous smaller idols Pilgrims not only circumambulated the Ka'bah , but also prostrated before the idols and invoked them to fulfill their needs. Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra^{**} was also present on the occasion. The gathering of women, consisting of young, old , rich and poor, assumed the idols were divine and paid them respects. A Jewish man who witnessed the occasion and observed the women for some time,

Jewish man: Respected ladies! A Messenger of Allah is due to arrive amongst you. Whoever of you finds the opportunity to marry him should do so."¹

The chitchat of the ladies was suspended for a moment They were astonished by what the Jewish man had just said . They wondered who he was and what he meant.

Then some of them said: He was not one of the Makkans. He is lying and mocked us and insulted

¹ Ibn Ishaq

our deities.

Then Some of them started yelling at him . Others picked up stones and pebbles and hurled at him . With the exception of Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra every other woman participated in scorning the man. she chose not to speak in defense of the false deities and remained silent. Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra did not sympathize with the idol worshipers, from early.

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Hadrat Khadija ^{*}. I do not know the details. I only know that the creator and The owner of the world is one. And associating anyone with him is against reason.²

Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra and Janab e Waraqah Ibn Nawfal

Janab e Waraqah Ibn Nawfal also shared this view, he was her cousins. He used to criticize the Makkans openly. He admonished the Makkans for departing from the religion of Prophet Ibrahim معليه السلام, who had built the Ka'bah for the exclusive worship of the one and only God . He invited the Makkans to one God, and condemned the worship of Hubal and other idols in the Kabah. Waraqah was surrounded by the

² Daur e jahaliyat of arab

anomalies of the Makkan society, yet adhered to the religion of Ibrahim. In keeping with the Abrahamic tradition, he abstained from alcohol and gambling. Hadrat Khadija رضي الله عنها held him in high esteem and appreciated his views.

Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid Marriages

Marriage with Abu Haallah

When Hadrat Khadija grew up, her father Khuwaylid gave her hand in marriage to Abu Haallah, son of Zaraarah. Abu Haallah was a merchant. They lived together. Then they blessed with a son named Hind. A few years later Abu Haallah became ill and died. Hadrat Khadija cried with grief at the loss of her husband Abu Haallah.

Marriage with Ateeq

Later her father chose 'Ateeq, son of 'Aaiz, a rich trader, as her husband. They were leading a life but when 'Ateeq went on a business expedition to Sham; he died on the way back. Hadrat Khadija *became a widow for the second time.

After the death of her second husband, several respected and influential men of the Quraish tried to seek her hand in marriage but she rejected their offers. She resolved that she would not marry again and decided to live an independent life. It so happened that shortly after the death of her second

husband,

Her father Khuwaylid participated in Battle of Fijar and passed away during the battle. This was a great loss to Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra , as she had to look after the business herself. It was indeed a difficult time for her.¹

The Business and Trading of Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra[®]

As Hadrat Khatija Tul Kubra grew up, she saw one sorrow after another. First, she got married; her husband died; then her father chose a second marriage; her second husband died as well; and then her father also died. Since then Hadrat Khatija Tul Kubra has decided to use this grief in her work, and she has determined that she will trade and build her business from scratch.

Trade was one of the major occupations for the Arabs. The rich among them would lend their merchandise on mudarabah (The word mudarabah signifies a business contract in which one party brings capital and the other personal effort.

¹ Ibn Jarir al-Tabari, al Tarik , 2:36.

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Hadrat Khadija inherited a great deal of wealth from her father and other members of her family. She worked hard and soon she was regarded as an intelligent merchant woman of great dignity and wealth. She invested her wealth in trade. At the time, Yemen and as Sham were two important hubs of trade. Summers in as Sham were moderate so trade caravans from Arabia headed to Busra in summers. from Damascus along the road to Jordan. Because of pleasant climate Busra attracted trade caravans from far and wide during summers. Quraish would sell products of their own region, and would buy products of other regions which they would sell a home earning profits at both ends. Hadrat Khadijah's business was on a fairly large

scale. Being a woman she did not accompany the trade caravans, but gave her goods to established traders on mudarabah basis. She had blessed her with success in business. Being a tactful businesswoman she was always looking for competent and honest men in the field who could carry her goods to distant places and trade on her behalf.

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A Trustworthy merchant in a dishonest marketplace

There were numerous markets in the area where Hadrat Khadija traded, and among them was a young guy who was (al amin) a reliable individual who founded an honest and trustworthy firm in the trading industry. As a young person was distinctly humane and kind the best in behavior pleasant in meeting and talking to people, amicable and generous as a neighbor an embodiment of patience and tolerance, truthful in speech, distant from vulgar and hurtful speech unparalleled in dignity humble to the highest degree, full of compassion and goodwill, one who kept his word, and dead honest. It was as if Allah had concentrated all good attributes in his personality That was why his people called him al Amin.¹ And this Al Amin individual was the same one to whom the Jewish individual had shared the good news with all of the women. He was the Prophet Al Amin # .

Prophet Al Amin # in Marketplace

Prophet Al Amin # used to trade in the market in

¹ Ibn Sa d. al- Tabaqat, 1:121

Akaz There used to be a business with thousands of Carpets, dates, foods, clothes, and many other things that were also kept in the market. Dishes, clothes, gold, silver, arms, and grains would have been there for buying and selling. Janab e Hakeem bin Hizam had a shop in this market. Hadrat Abu Bakr al-Siddig would also be seen here, and Abu Lahab رضي الله عبه would also be busy counting money and selling goods. Ugbah bin Rabi'ah also sat in his shop. Renowned merchants of Quraish also decorate their shops for trading. People used to come here from far away to buy and sell. Prophet Al Amin # also used To do business in this market, he was a handsome young man. Always looked diligent in clean clothes; he did not just tell the customers about the merits of the goods, and he never used any unethical tricks to sell his goods. Prophet Al Amin # hated lies. He would not be busy just making money like other shopkeepers. but he would care more about the interest of the customer than his own money. He # has sweet language and sounds; the sweetness of the call was found in his language. Always speaking in a soft tone, the customer would leave the deal satisfied. This was the reason why his goods would always be sold quickly, the businesses of other shopkeepers were mostly based on usurious transactions. They loved the interest. more than the principal, and they also earned huge profits. while Prophet's ^(#) uncle Abu Lahab became rich due to usury and other unethical business like Alcohol and more. Also there many more Traders like Abu Lahab and Uqbah bin Rabi'ah who were collecting rupees with both hands. But he ^(#) was stay far away from usury and any other immoral thing, regardless of profit or loss.

Part 2

A Bright sun in her house

Hadrat Khadija Marriage

Prophet Al Amin # was hired by Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid*

When Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid heard of the truthfulness, trustworthy nature and fine character and business and trading style of the Prophet Al Amin #, she sent for him and proposed that he should take some of her goods on a trading venture to Sham; she would give him more than she gave other men who traded for her and also a worker of hers called Maysarah .This proposal reached Janeb e Abu Talib, and he went to Messenger of Allah # with this offer.

Janeb e Abu Talib: I am a man without wealth, and we are passing through hard days, here is a caravan of your people going to Syria. Khadija Bint Khuwaylid sends men from among your people with her commodities; if you go and offer your services to her, she will readily accept them. Khadijah has appointed so and so on (a wage of) two camels, will you like to have a talk with her ?

Prophet Al Amin #: (You may) If you so like.

Then he (Abu Talib) went to her and said

Janeb e Abu Talib: O Khadija ? we have learnt that you have appointed so and so for two camels; if you will like to engage (Prophet) Muhammad # for this job, we will not agree for less than four camels (for him).

Hadrat Khadija : I would have accepted it even if you had demanded it for a distant enemy, and now you have done it for a near friend.¹

Janeb e Abu Talib turn towards prophet and said: This is the provision that Lord has made for you

Prophet AI Amin # accepted this offer and set off with her goods,

Hadrat Khadija turn towards Maysarah and said: Do not disobey him in any matter, and never disagree with his opinion.

Prophet Al Amin # went to trade with

¹ Kitab_al_Tabaqat_al_Kabir_Ibn_Sad, Volume 1 p 146

Maysara.

Thereupon the Prophet # set out in the company of Maysarah. He was continuously observing Prophet Al Amin # very closely. When they reached Sham, the Messenger of Allah # made a halt beneath the shade of a tree near the cell of a certain monk Nastur. Thereupon the Monk Nastur came out and said

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Monk Nastur: None except a Prophet has ever taken rest under this tree.

The monk looked out at Maysara and said : Who is that man resting beneath the tree?'

Maysara: 'He is of Quraish, those who guard the sanctuary.' (Haram)

Monk Nastur: No one but a prophet has ever stopped beneath that tree.²

Then Prophet Al Amin # sold his goods there was some difference between him and the customer who asked him to take an oath of al-Lwat and al-"Uzza.

² AlSiraAlNabawiyyaVolume1 p 189, Dala ' il al Nubuwah 1 :173

Prophet Al Amin # : I never take an oath by them, and when I happen to pass by them I turn my face.³

"Rasulullah (Sallallahu alaihe wasallam) was so clean, clear and handsome, as though his body was covered and moulded in silver. His hair was slightly curled."He Sallallahu 'Alayhi Wasallam walked, he lifted his leg with vigor. He did not drag his feet on the ground. When he walked, because of the speed and force of the legs, it seemed as if he was descending from a high place".⁴ All these things were watched by Maysara

Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid Dream of Upcoming Noor

The Prophet of Allah a was doing business with Maysara in Sham, and on the other hand, Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid in Makkah was thinking about what was happening there—what was that young person doing? Does Mahsra check on him or not?. One night, the stars set, darkness fell, and

³ Ibn Sad al Tabaqat, 1:130

⁴ Shamail At Tirmidhi p61

Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid was sitting in her house after circumambulating Baitullah several times. Then she went to her bed in such a state that there were signs of happiness and a smile on his face. His mind did not know what thoughts entered his heart at that moment. She went to sleep in a calm manner. Then she had a dream.

"A huge sun is coming down from the sky and has come and stayed in the courtyard of his house and is illuminating the door wall of the house. Then this light has started to spread out from the house, benefiting the hearts and eyes of the people. And the intensity of this light is dominating the eyes and hearts."

Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid woke up from her sleep and started rolling her eyes around nervously. The world was still covered with the darkness of night, and everything was covered by darkness. In the dream, the emotions that prevailed over Noor were at their peak, deep in the heart. She laid down on the bed to go back to sleep, but her eyes could not sleep again. His mind became clear. Heartbeat and intellect was enlightened, and he started to feel the voice of his dream again.

Hadrat Khadija started asking herself: Is the sun in

my house? Is the Noor emanating from this house illuminating the whole world? It is indeed a very strange thing!

Then she went sleep and when the night passed, Hadrat Khadija left her bed, involved in her morning routine usual.⁵

Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra رضي الله عنها Saw Prophet Al Amin ﷺ

Thereafter Prophet set off in a caravan for Makkah, Maysara accompanying him.

During travel at midday when it was fiercely hot, Maysara would see, two angels shading him from the sun as he traveled forward on his camel. All this appealed Maysara heart, and Allah put his love in Maysara's heart, as if he was his slave. They sold their merchandise and earned profit double of what they were earning before. When they returned and reached Marr al-Zahran, Maysara said to him :

Maysara: O (Prophet) Muhammad #! I made more than forty business trips for Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra" are I have never seen more profit than today.

⁵ Siyar A'lam al-Nubala' (2/111), Fath al-Bari (7/147), Women Promised Paradise: 1/17.

These are because of your blessings. Now go to Hadrat Khadija and inform her what Lord has bestowed on her because of you, so that she may know that this profit has been because of you.

Two camels got tired. Maysara stayed behind with them. The Holy Prophet moved ahead of the main caravan. Then the New Camels started to feel threatened. Maysara came running to the service of the Holy Prophet # Maysara. And told him the whole situation. The Holy Prophet # came to these two camels. He placed his healing hand on their bodies, and then They went ahead of the whole caravan. Thereupon the Apostle of Allah' # proceeded and entered Makkah in the afternoon. Hadrat Khadija* was sitting in the attic. She saw the Apostle of Allah, may Allah bless him, riding his camel with two angels casting a shadow over him. She let other women see this, and they wondered at it. Soon the Apostle of Allah, #, reached there and informed her of what they had gained because of him, The goods back to Hadrat Khadija, he sold them for twice their cost or thereabouts, bringing double profit in the

table. She was much pleased.⁶ Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra had twice the profit before. He offered the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) twice the stipulated portion.

Then Maysara arrived, she told him what she had seen. Thereupon Maysarah said: I have been noticing it since we set out from Syria, and informed her of what the monk Nastur had said, and the person, who had a dispute in bargaining, had said. The Apostle of Allah, may Allah bless him, brought his merchandise ; she had earned double the profit she used to earn, and so she doubled the wages that she had settled.

Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra informed Janab e Waraqah Ibn Nawfal about Prophet

Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid^{*}, had informed Janab e Waraqah bin Nawfal of what Maysara had told her of what the monk had said, and how she had seen the two angels shading him. When Janab e Waraqah bin Nawfal heard this from Hadrat Khadija, he got up from his place, and suddenly an emotion and excitement started to emerge in his heart. He

⁶ Kitab_al_Tabaqat_al_Kabir_Ibn_Sad, Volume 1 p 147

was from those who sought humility in ignorance and spent their lives in search of the truth, and from those who were scholars of the Christian scriptures and knew that a prophet would come, whose time was near and for which he had been waiting for many years. Waraqa had then told her,

If this is true, Khadija, "then Muhammad ﷺ is the Prophet of this time. I learned that a prophet was expected for this nation, and his time has come." I persisted, being persistent in recalling both a worry that often inspired my tears and And a description from Khadija," following description; my waiting has been long, O Khadija in the heart of Makkah, I was hoping, because of your words, that I would see some solution. From what you related as

the words of a priest who was a monk whom I would hate to be wrong, that (prophet) Muhammad will one day prevail and defeat whomever opposes him, making a light appear in the land by which he will bring change to all creation. Those who oppose him will meet defeat, while those who aid him will achieve success. Would that I be there to witness, for I'll be the first of them to participate? Participating in

that which Quraish will hate, however much they bluster in their Makkah, I aspire, through him, whom they all hate, to reach the Enthroned One, even if they descend. Is it not folly to disbelieve Him who chooses, He who raised the stars? If they and I survive, things will happen at a time when the disbelievers will be sorely discomfited. Even if I perish, so does every man meet his fate with destruction and death."

Abdullah's son, Ahmad, is being sent to all people everywhere. My belief is that he will be sent to tell the truth, just as God's two servants (the prophets) Hud and Salih were sent. And (Prophet) Moses and Abraham, until his glory shall he witness and widely spread abroad by report, very clear; and there shall follow him the tribes of Lu'ayy and Ghalib, their young and their gray leaders alike. If I survive till his era reaches the people, then I will give glad tidings of love. If not, O Khadija, then you should know that I shall be traveling the wide earth, far from your

land."⁷

The shining sun in Hadrat Khadija's courtyard

Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid Send Marriage Proposal

Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid was of the noblest descent, highest in dignity and the wealthiest of the Quraish. Every member of her tribe desired to take her into marriage. They had made proposals and spent money for this purpose. Then Hadrat Khadija, called her sister Nafisah

Then Hadrat Khadija, : Go to (Prophet) Muhammad and mention me before him

She sent me (Nafisah) secretly to Prophet Al Amin #, after his return with the caravan from Sham.

Nafisah: (Prophet) O Muhammad swhat prevents you from marriage?

Prophet Al Amin # : I can't afford the marriage.

Nafisah: If you get enough resources, and you get a proposal from (a lady of) beauty, wealth, dignity and equal status, will you accept ?

Prophet Al Amin #: who is she ?

Nafisah: Khadija bint e Khuwaylid

Prophet Al Amin #: How will it be possible ?

Nafisah: I shall arrange that.

Nafisah went and informed Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid^{*}. Then she sent for him at such and such a time and called her uncle 'Amr Ibn Asad to give her in marriage. He came in and the Apostle of Allah, # arrived with his uncles, Hadrat Hamza and Abu talib ibn abdul-al muttalib to arrange this marriage.¹

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Wedding Ceremonies of the Greatest Prophet with the Greatest Women

The members of Muhammad's family Banu Hashim, happily proceeded to Khadijah's home for the **Marriage** ceremony. Prophet's uncles Hadrat Hamza, 'Abbas, and Abu Talib, and and **Sadeeq e Rasul Abu Bakr Siddiq** ^{*}are known to have attended the ceremony. From Hadrat Khadija's side,

¹ Kitab_al_Tabaqat_al_Kabir_Ibn_Sad, Volume 1 p 148

Waraqah Ibn Nawfal (Her cousin), 'Amr Ibn Asad (Her uncle), 'Amr Ibn Khuwaylid (Her brother), Hakim Ibn Hazim (Her nephew), and some ladies of the family attended the ceremony. "Messenger of Allah are was 25 years of age when he married Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid² and she was either 35 or 40 years old

Hadrat Halima Sadiya, the Foster Mother of the Holy Prophet also attended the marriage. When she appeared in front of holy prophet and the stand and says while moving forward: my mother, my mother. Then he spread his blessed cloak and make her sat on it. After some talk she told him about some poverty. Then Holy Prophet spoke this matter to Hadrat Khadija and she gave forty goats and a camel in her service. ³

Janab e Abu Talib addressed the gathering on the occasion:

Thanks be to Lord of kaaba, Who has created us from the offspring of (Prophet) Ibrahim, the progeny of (Prophet) Ismail, the essence of Ma'd and the element of Mudar. He ordained us as the guardians

² ibn Hisham

³ Tabqat ul saad vol 1 p 132

of the Ka'bah and thus made us rulers and leaders of men. Coming to the matter in hand; the son of my brother (Prophet) Muhammad bin Abdullah surpasses all the youth of the Quraish with regard to lineage, wisdom and merits, whomever you compare him to. Although he is not wealthy, this should not be taken into account, because, like a shadow, possession is provisional; it is taken and given. I swear by Lord that in future his fame will be exalted. Now as you see, he has requested to marry your honourable daughter, Khadija bint e Khuwaylid * . I have set aside such and such an amount as mahr (dowry)

Janab e Waraqah Ibn Nawfal addressed the gathering

We thank Lord, Who created us in the (same) manner as you have described. He made us pereminent with more than what you have stated. Hence, we are the nobles and leaders of the Arabs, as are you. The ascendancy of your tribe is undeniable; no one can refuse to acknowledge your righteousness or honour. We, too wish to be related to you! O people! Bear witness that I have married Khadija, the daughter of khuwaylid, to (Prophet) Muhammad bin Abdullah.".4

A camel was slaughtered to treat the guests and needy members of the society.⁵

First Ummul momineen

Following his marriage, the Messenger of Allah relocated to the home of Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid, where he has stayed ever since. This union had created a prestigious family in Makkah that was blessed with calm and harmony. Whatever wealth Allah had bestowed upon the couple. Both publicly and privately, they provided aid to the needy and impoverished, widows and orphans. They also looked after their family members.

Along with being the wife of the Messenger of Allah ﷺ, Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra[®] Became the First Mother of the Believers

⁴ Ahmad Ibn Abi Ya 'qub Ishaq 2:14

⁵ bsan al-'Uyunm 1 :227

Married life of Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra[®] Begun

Birth of the Prophet's # Children

The Prophet Al-Amin # and Ummul momineen Hadrat Khadija ul Kubra had a boy as their first child. Hadrat Qasim was his name. Following his birth, people gave the Messenger of Allah # the additional title of Abdul Qasim.¹ The Holy Prophet # lost his father before he was born, his mother after his birth, and then his grandfather. He married one of the best women in the world today. However, when his first kid was born, he was just two years old, and Prophet Al-Amin # witnessed his death as well. Hadrat Qasim started walking, and then he passed away.²

After that, Allah Subhanahu wa Ta'ala blessed them with four daughters. In the years to come, Prophet Al-Amin ، الطوعة daughter was named Hadrat Zainab (رضي الله عنها; after that, he ، gave birth to Hadrat Ruqayyah (رضي الله عنها; and after that, he ، and Hadrat Khadija ħad a third daughter, Umm Kulsum رضي الله عنها and in last Hadrat Fatima tuz zahra

¹ AlSiraAlNabawiyyaVolume1 p 187

² Zarqani vol. 3 p. 194

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Hadrat Ali in the house of Hadrat Khadija ul Kubra

A terrible famine struck Makkah a year, making it extremely difficult for the inhabitants to survive. The Janabe Abu Talib family is large. As a result, Rasulullah # took Hadrat Ali as his sponsor for his upbringing. The Holy Prophet # had looked after the Boy Ali since his birth and he developed a great liking for him. Janab e Abu Talib agreed as he felt that the Holy Prophet # would look after Hadrat Ali in a much better way than he could. Prophet # and Hadrat Khatija Tul Kubra take care of him.

Hadrat Zayd bin Haritha in the house of Hadrat Khadija ul Kubra

A boy who was separated from his mother's gentle lap, from his father protections and bandits took him as a slave, dress him like a slave then took him to the 'Ukaz market and offered him for sale, to make some mon, Ummul momineen Hadrat Khadija ul Kubra.^{*}But Hadrat Khadija ul Kubra ^{*}does not keep him to her service but she present him as a gift to her Husband Rasulullah ^{*}. This high-spirited young man was blessed to be a slave in the presence of a

holy prophet 📽 who was Amin, Hadrat Zayd's good ey. Similar to him were several boys and girls, Arabs and non-Arabs, who were apprehended and taken to the city's slave market to be sold. Some met a dreadful end at the hands of ruthless mistresses or masters who took full advantage of their work and treated them with extreme cruelty. In that inhumane setting, some people had it slightly better. In this market Janabe Hakim bin Hizam was searching for a purchase, He wanted to buy a good slave as a gift to present to someone close. His eyes fell upon a young boy who was Hadrat Zayd bin Haritha." Quickly, Janabe Hakim purchased him for 400 dirhams.³ Then Janabe Hakim bin Hizam present him as a gift to Wife of Al Amin # character and immense sincerity made him close to the Holy Prophet's # compassion and grace.

³ Umdatul Qari Sharh Sahih al-Bukhari

Part 3 The First Lady Muslim

The Divine Mission is near

Amid all of this, there is idolatry, debauchery, adultery, thievery, murder, illiteracy, Kufr, and polytheism. Prophet Al Amin # distanced himself from society as a result. He directed his life, day, and night toward Allah subhanahu wa ta'ala, the creator of the universe, with the intention of withdrawing from the outside world.

Prophet Al Amin # in Cave Hira

On Mount An-Noor. A small cave called Hira was just two kilometers from Makkah. Prophet Al Amin became comfortable of being alone. Daily, the Messenger of Allah would spend time alone in the cave Hira', where he would seek religious purification via devotions, He was used to spending long hours alone, thinking and contemplating different aspects of the world around him. He then spent a few days in this cave without going back to his home. Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid, and the daughters would welcome him. He would sort out pending affairs at home take some food, and go back to the cave again. and repeat the same. He would always go there and feed any poor people who came to him. It was an intense period of privacy which lasted for three years prior¹, he would not reenter his own home without first circumambulating the ka'ba."²

Hadrat Khadija looked after the children and raised them in the best possible way. In Makkan society, girls were married at a relatively young age. Girls would get engaged as they grew up; They would marry soon after reaching puberty.

Dreams of breaking of dawn

While the Messenger of Allah # slept, he experienced genuine visions that served as an indicator of Great Divine Mission. Its came in the form of true visions in his sleep. Every vision he had came like the breaking of dawn.³ Messenger of Allah # Told Ummul momineen Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid^{*} about these dreams

Messenger of Allah #: O Khadija, I see light and hear sounds and I fear if I am attack by sooth-sayer or devil.

¹ Ibn Hisham 1/235-236

² al- Baqial Zurqani Sharh

[,]ala al- Mawahib al- Ladunniyah bi al- Minah al-Muhammadiyah, n .d., 1 :392.) ³ Al-Bukhari

Hadrat Khadija ^{*}. Verily, Allah will not let this happen to you, O son of 'Abdullah. Verily, you speak the truth, return things entrusted to you and fulfill (obligations of) relationship⁴

⁴ Kitab_al_Tabaqat_al_Kabir_Ibn_Sad, Volume 1 p 225

Finally The First Wahi Arrived

Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid^{*} counseling

Days continued to go by in the same manner until Hadrat Khadija noticed one day that the Prophet of Allah ﷺ had hurried to his home. He was also exhausted and shocked because he had just met Angel Jibril عبد السلام for the first time and had just been asked to recite the igra verse. This was the first time

in Prophet # life, a wahi had been revealed. After that He # came back to his house in a condition of fear. his heart was beating fast, he was feeling cold, he was still shivering

Messenger of Allah #: Wrap me up! Wrap me up!

Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid saw from his face that something had happened, and that scared her. She arose to him and when close, began wiping his face # wrapping him in shawal and saying,

Hadrat Khadija ^{*} Where were you, O father of alqasim? I swear, I sent my messengers all the way to Makkah and back looking for you. Messenger of Allah :: I'm scared right now, something has happened to me

Hadrat Khadija ^{*} Oh no! I swear by Lord, He would never leave you. You maintain family ties, you are hospitable to guests, you support the weak, provide for the poor and help out when tragedy strikes.'

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Messenger of Allah : You remember what I told you I saw in a vision? you know what I've been seeing in my sleep and the voice I've been hearing while awake and that so disturbed me?

Hadrat Khadija : Yes I remembered

Messenger of Allah ﷺ: Well, It was Jibril عليه السلام, who has now appeared plainly before me. My Khaliq, Almighty and Glorious is He, sent him to me. He has appeared plainly before me, spoken to me and made me read some words that gave me fear. He then came back to me and told me that I am the prophet of this era. So I came back home and on my way trees and rocks turned to me and said, "Peace be upon you, O Messenger of Allah!

Hadrat Khadija : Rejoice and be brave; Rejoice! For

Allah has never done anything but good, by Him in whose hands Khadija is, I hope you will be the prophet of this era.

Messenger of Allah #: i had seen my stomach split open, and it had been washed and cleaned and all restored as before. (He tell her how he had seen his stomach split open in childhood because something like this again happened now)

Hadrat Khadija ^{*}. By Lord, I swear that this is good; so rejoice!¹ I bear witness that you are the prophet of this era whom the Jews await. My servant Nasih and the monk Bahira both told this and advised us more than 20 years ago to marry you.'

Then Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid continue counseling him, stayed with the Messenger of God suntil he had eaten, drunk.

Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid rushed to Hadrat Waraqa bin Nawfal

Hadrat Khadija then hurried off to Hadrat Waraqah bin Nawfal, who by now was reached in old age

¹ AlSiraAlNabawiyyaVolume1 p 292, al zuhri

Hadrat Khadija : 'O cousin! Listen to your nephew!' he says that Angel Jibril به سلام came down to him in Hira and told him he was the prophet of this era, and made him recite some verses he had been sent with.

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Hadrat Waraqah bin Nawfal: If Angel Jibril has actually placed his feet upon earth, he has done so for the best of people thereupon. And he never came down for anyone except a prophet. For he is the

companion of aal the prophets and messengers, the one whom Allah sends down to them. I believe what you tell me of him. Send for 'Abdullah's son, so that I may question him,

Hadrat Khadija arose and left him, confident that Allah would never do anything but good to her husband. So she returned to the Messenger of Allah and told him what Waraqa had said.

Hadrat Khadija : 'I'd like you to go to him and inform Waraqah, so that Allah might give him guidance.

The Messenger of Allah # did go with his wife to Waraqah

Hadrat Waraqah bin Nawfal: 'O nephew, what did

Hadrat Zaid ibn Amr

you see?

Messenger of Allah # described Angel Jibril a.s to him and his majesty, and what he had revealed to him.

Hadrat Waraqah bin Nawfal: This was the Angel Jibril a.s who used to come down to Prophet Musa a.s. How I wish I were a young man again! I hope I am still alive when your people will exile you!' 'Rejoice, 0 son of 'Abdul al-Muttalib!'

Messenger of Allah #: Are they to exile me?

Hadrat Waraqah bin Nawfal: Yes,' no one has ever received what you have without being treated as an enemy. If I am alive when your that time comes, I will give you every help.

Then Hadrat Waraqah bin Nawfal brought his # head close and kissed the top of his blessed head. Then the Messenger of Allah # went home with some strength.²

Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid And Archangel Jibril میسر

² Tabari_Volume_06 p73

Glory of Hadrat Jibril عليه السلام

In the way Hadrat Khadija met a Christian scholar

Hadrat Khadija : O scholar! I remind you Allah and say that you give me the news that you have any news about Jibril عبه السلام, do you have any knowledge?

Christian scholar: Holy, Holy, how great is the glory of Jibril مله السلام. Why on earth is it being mentioned? This land is the land of idolaters. Why is this holy person(Jibril a.s.) being asked by you or how can he come here?

Hadrat Khadija : tell me about him from your knowledge.

Christian scholar: Hadrat Jibril عليه السلام is the Amin between Allah and His Prophets, He is the companion of Prophet Musa عليه السلام and of Prophet Isa عليه السلام

Hadrat Khadija went to another monk. When she got closer, the monk recognized her and said, Monk: what brought the leader of the Quraishi Hadrat Zaid ibn Amr

women to me?

Hadrat Khadija : ا have come to you so that you can tell me something about Jibril عبه السلام

Monk: Glory be to Lord! Our Lord is holy. What's the matter? Why is Jibril به المار being mentioned in these cities where the residents are priests of idols?

Hadrat Khadija : tell me about him from your knowledge.

Monk: Hadrat Jibril عبه السلام is the Amin between Allah and His Prophets, He is Messenger of Allah towards his Ambiya a.s³

Angel Jibril عليه السلام in the house of Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid [®]

Upon their return, Messenger of Allah ﷺ was surprise upon seeing Hadrat Jibril عبه السلام inside their home. He ﷺ informed his wife that Angel Jibril عبه السلام is indeed here, in-front of them.

Hadrat Khadija : O my husband, are you able to tell

³ DALAIL_UN_NUBOWAH_VOL_1 p49

me about your angel companion, when he comes to you?" Messenger of Allah #: i could,

Hadrat Khadija : tell me when he came.

Messenger of Allah ﷺ: "This is Angel Jibril عبه السلام who has just come to me, just standing in front us right here.'

Hadrat Khadija : Get up, O my husband, and sit by my side'. (The Messenger of Allah # did so,)

Hadrat Khadija : Can you see him?'

Messenger of Allah #: Yes,'

Hadrat Khadija : "Then turn round and sit more close to me. (he did so,)

Hadrat Khadija : 'Can you still see him?"

Messenger of Allah #: I could still see him

Hadrat Khadija : move more close and sit in my thigh. (he done this)

Hadrat Khadija if you could see him,

Messenger of Allah #: yes i can.

Then she disclosed her head and cast aside her veil while the apostle was sitting in her thigh. Then she said,

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Hadrat Khadija : 'Can you see him, is he here still?

Messenger of Allah #: No, now he fly away.'

Hadrat Khadija : 'O my husband, rejoice and be of good heart, by Allah he is an angel and not a Devil.'⁴

A momentous journey was about to start following the first revelation and the first encounter with Angel Jibril عيد السلام

⁴ Ibn Ishaq p 107

The Beginning of Divine Mission

The Prophet of Allah # will now begin to softly and gently draw people to Islam, the only real and definitive religion. Because they have faith in the Last Supreme Prophet #, whom Ambiya and the Angels were waiting for, those who believe in the Prophet of Allah # would be the best people on the planet.

Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra^{*} Awwalin Sahabiyah. The First Muslims. The First Lady Momina

First Prayer with Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra

She was the first person to believe in Allah and His Messenger, and to believe in Allah's message to him. Hadrat Jibril عبه السلام came to the Messenger of Allah ﷺ , in a very beautiful appearance and a fragrant body.

Hadrat Jibril عبه السلام : O (Prophet) Muhammad ﷺ, Allah Al Quddus greets you and says that you are the Messenger of Allah ﷺ to the jinn and whole mankind. That's why they say لا إلـه إلا لله you that is, there is no one worthy of worship except Allah.¹

The very early Salat was made incumbent upon him; Hadrat Jibril عليه السلام struck his foot on the ground, from which a spring of water from zamzam gushed forth. performed the عليه السلام Then Hadrat Jibril ablution(Wadu), Prophet # watch how Hadrat Jibril making wadu, then along with him Prophet Al Muddathir also # performed the ablution. He then bowed in prayer twice and made four prostrations. Thereafter the Prophet # went home, Allah al Quddus having much comforted him and brought him what he wanted. Prophet # took Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra^{*}s hand and led her to the well and there performed the ablution as Hadrat Jibril had done. He made Wadu in front of Hadrat Khadija, she was looking her husband doing Wudu then Hadrat Khadija made the Wudu. Rasullullah # taught the prayer to her. she performed Salat with Rasullullah #. Thereafter Hadrat Khadija and he would perform the prayer in secret.²

Salaam of Allah al Quddus and His Angel Jibril عبه السلام

Hadrat Jibril عليه السلام came to the Prophet Al Muddathir

¹ Seerat-e-Halbiya-Volume 2 p187

² AlSiraAlNabawiyyaVolume1 p 310, Ibn Ishaq

Hadrat Jibril المجالية: Yah Rasullullah عجالية, Khadija is approaching. She has a pot of food. When she approaches you, then convey to her the Salam of your Rab and mine and give her the good news of a home, made of a case-like (hollow) pearl in Paradise that has neither any noise nor any other inconvenience.³

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Prophet Al Muddathir # : Allah and his his angel Jibril conveyed the Salam to you o Khadija.

Hadrat Khadija humbly: Allah Himself is 'Salam' [Peace] and peace is from Him and peace be also upon Hadrat Jibril-e-Ameen عليه السلام

This is a great virtue to Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra^{*}, Hadrat Jibril عبه السلام not only conveyed his Salam but also the Salaam of Allah Al Quddus

This was the first prayer of Last Ummah on the earth

³ Sahih Bukhari, vol. 2, pp. 565, Hadees 3820

Regular Harassment on the Family of Hadrat Khadija Khadija

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Kuffar e Quraish used to tease Prophet Al Muddathir at first, then they began to regularly torment him, and some leaders even went so far as to be quite harsh. As a result, the call was more widely accepted, and one by one, people started to convert to Allah's faith. This led to animosity between the Muslim converts and their family members, and the Quraish were appalled by what they witnessed.

Hadrat Zainab[®], The First Daughter Hadrat Khadija[®]

The eldest daughter of the beloved Prophet ﷺ and Hadrat Khadija tul Kubra رضی لله عنها was Hadrat Zainab. She was the daughter of the highest-ranking parents in global history. Hadrat Zainab was meticulously educated by her mother, Hadrat Khadija. Hadrat Zainab, the adored firstborn, was showered with affection and possessed many noble qualities from her parents. Prior to the arrival of Islam, she was wed to Janab e Abul-As bin Rabi (The First Son of Hadrat Khadija). Janab e AbulAs bin Rabi the son of Hallah. Hallah was the sister of Hadrat Khadija ." Janab e Abul-As was in the prime of his youth, handsome and very impressive looking. He was the epitome of Arab chivalry and was endowed with all the characteristics of pride, manliness and generosity. He took great pride in the traditions of his ancestors. It was an honor for Janab e Abul al-Aas to marry the Prophet's eldest daughter and to be the first son-in-law of the messenger of Allah . On the occasion of their marriage Hadrat Khadija gave her daughter, among other things, a necklace of Yemeni carnelian as a token of love. It was probably Hadrat Khadija s own necklace. Hadrat Zainab took good care of her mother's gift.⁴

Hadrat Ruqaiya, The Second Daughter Of Hadrat Khadija

Hadrat Ruqaiya was brought up by her parents, Prophet Al Amin and Hadrat Khadija tul Kubra in her were combined all those qualities which are highly praise worthy for females. She was intelligent, witty, modest, bashful and she did all her work in a well-organized manner. Hadrat Khadija tul Kubra was that noble lady

⁴ Ibn al- Athir Asad al ,Ghabah, 5:23

who had the honour of being the very first person to embrace Islam Along with her also her daughters accepted the true faith and pledged allegiance to their august father, the Messenger of Allah #.

Before the advent of Islam, the Holy Prophet gave his daughters Hadrat Ruqaiya in marriage to his paternal uncles's Abu Lahab's son Utba.

Umm Kulthum, The Third Daughter Of Prophet

Umm Kulthum was one year junior to Hadrat Ruqaiya. She was brought up by her parents, Prophet Al Amin and the Mother of the Believers Hadrat Khadija tul Kubra about whom Allah's Messenger had said: "She was the best mother and excellent in managing the affairs of the household."

As effect of having been brought up a mother so high in rank, Allah endowed Umm Kulthum[®] with all those qualities which are essential for a perfect woman. Further Umm Kulthum[®] was extremely eloquent and of a Great akhlaq Before the advent of Islam, the Holy Prophet [®] gave his daughters Umm Kulthum[®] in marriage to his paternal uncles's Abu Lahab's younger

son Utaiba.

Reaction of Abu Lahab The Perished one

On the day of Alan e Nabuwwat, Abu Lahab's attitude toward Nabuwwah was made clear to everyone. Over the next few days, he turned into one of the most ferocious of his opponents, and he his own uncle Abu Lahab. His wife, Umm Jamil, was named Arwa, daughter of Harb ibn Umayya, Abu Lahab. The Perished served as an example of those family leaders who, regardless of right or wrong, went to great lengths to save their own interests and reputation. Any move that jeopardized his status or exposed his interests to destruction would incite him to act foolishly. Abū Lahab had a severe strain in his temperament that drove him to act in certain ways.

Reaction of Umm Jamil

She was a controlling woman who was motivated by a number of factors to hate the Prophet and his faith. She thus let her mouth run wild and slandered him with countless defamatory remarks. Her name was Umm Jamil, and she was one of the prominent Quraish women. She was notoriously irascible and had a terrible tongue. He and his kids were powerless in the face of Um Jamil, who was naturally cold-hearted, cynical, irritable, and took special pleasure in hurting people. The Quraish loved a Hadrat Khadija, *who was a very noble, dignified, well- mannered, and mild-tempered woman, and Um Jamil was exceedingly envious of her.

Divorced of Hadrat Ruqaiya and Umm Kulthum

After Alane Nabuwwat Hadrat Khadija was worried that Umm Jamil's may abuses or might harm her innocent daughter. The thought of her two girls in such a household, she can't able to live in peace for a second, The hatred towards Islam and Prophet was growing the heart Abu Lahab The Perished one day by day, So one day he called his both son Utba and Utaiba ordered him :

Abu Lahab: "Divorce your wive Ruqaiya and Umm Kuthum, the daughter of (prophet Muhammad) otherwise I will not keep any relation whatsoever with you."

Umm Jamil: both these girls have left our faith and have converted infidel, you must divorces her Utba and Utaiba ibn abu lahab both divorced their wives and both daughter of the Prophet of Allah became widows. Utaiba spat on the Prophet and divorced his daughter and returned.⁵ And he leave prophet \cong prayed against him.

All Abu Lahab wanted to attain by making Utba divorce his wife Sayyidah Ruqaiya was to trouble the Holy Prophet. He knew that it is just natural for a father to be grieved when the wedlock of his daughter breaks. But this divorce was a mercy in disguise, through it Allah the Most High saved those chaste innocent girls from being made to live in this unwholesome pagan environment. They were acutely saved from a dreadful future, from being exposed to Um Jamil's wickedness and from the evil influence of a kuffar household. And there is no doubt that Allah subhanahu wa ta'ala would not have allowed the daughters of the his Prophet to live in a house where disbelief and polytheism are prevalent and where there is oppression.

Al Ghani

A Man with high status, very wealthy, extremely modest, with eloquent manner was coming from back from sham from a successful businesses trip.

⁵ Seerat-e-Halbiya-Volume2 p268

His people loved him dearly and respected him. He never prostrated to any idols during the Jahiliyyah, He had little faith in the superstitious practices in which the people of Makkah indulged. He felt that those who worshipped the idols merely groped in the dark. He never committed any immoral action. On the return journey the caravan halted for the night at a way side station between Zarqa and Ma'an He did not drink alcohol before, it was a night time and when he saw his fellow travelers are drinking alcohol, he stand up say:

"It alcohol that destroys reason and reason is the most sublime thing that Allah has given to man, and man should elevate himself by means of reason, not try to destroy it. "I had no interest in songs, I never committed any immoral deed, I did not drink alcohol in my life, and I did not commit zina in my life.⁶" This Blessed Man was

Hadrat Uthman ibn Affan

The Prediction of Lady Saadi Bint Kuriz

Hadrat Uthman: One day, I went to the house of My aunt Saadi bint Kuriz. the prophethood of the Holy Prophet was mentioned their. My aunt Saadi Bint

⁶ Hilyat al-Awliya

Kuriz confirmed the prophethood of the Prophet by the people. And she appreciated and say good words for Holy Prophet #

Saadi Bint Kuriz: He is honest and trustworthy, and he never tells a lie."

Then She Speak in the manner of priests, looking towards Hadrat Uthman^{*}. O Uthman, you will have two wives who will be very beautiful and virtuous, and you will never have seen such beautiful women before, nor will they have seen a husband like you. These women must be the daughters of the Prophet⁷.

The Best looking couple ever

No sooner did 'Hadrat Uthman ibn affan "hear the news of the divorce of Hadrat Ruqaiya "he hastened to propose marriage to her through the Messenger of Allah . The Messenger of Allah : gave her in marriage to him, The Mother of the Believers Hadrat Khadija bint Khuwaylid prepared her and presented her to him. 'Hadrat Uthman ibn affan was one of the most handsome men of Quraish and Hadrat Ruqaiya" competed with him in beauty and gracefulness, When people look at them together.

⁷ Al Bidaya wal nihaya

They saw them as the best looking couple anyone has ever seen, is Ruqaiya and her husband 'Uthman"

On the marriage, Lady Saadi Bint Kuriz the maternal aunt of Hadrat Uthman composed some verses. She said:

"Uthman the noble souled became a Muslim; And Muhammad ﷺ the Prophet of Islam married him to his daughter; Thus, the moon and the sun were united; O son of Banu Hashim, to you I pay my tribute; You are undoubtedly the Messenger of Allah, Sent for the guidance of mankind".

Umm Jamil and her husband Abu Lahab thought that by divorcing Hadrat Ruqaiya and Umm Kulthoom that they would deal a harsh blow to the family of Prophet Al Nadhir are or at least weaken them, but Allah chose good for them, which caused a great deal of frustration and anger for Umm Jamil and her husband Abu Lahab, and they did not achieve anything. Thus Allah sufficed the household of the Prophet against their evil act. And Allah is enough for them

And now Hadrat Uthman ibn affan become

The Second Son in Law of Hadrat Khadija^{*} * * *

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Sacrifices of Hadrat Khadija " For Allah and his Rasul

Second Son of Prophet # and Hadrat Khadija

Prophet # First son, Hadrat Qasim die before Alan e Nabuwaah, The Holy Prophet # had a second son named Hadrat Abdullah. Ummul Mominin Hadrat Khadijah al-Kubra was his mother. But by the will Allah, Hadrat Abdullah lived for one year, six months and eight days after his birth and then he passed away also. When the second son of the Prophet # died, the polytheist chief of Makkah, use this matter as an attack upon Prophet #

The Shameful audacity of Kuffar e Quraish

When the second son of the Holy Prophet apassed away, the uncle of the Holy Prophet Abu Lahab was overjoyed and ran to the polytheists and gave them this good news on his behalf, Saying, That tonight Prophet Muhammad (approximately became childless or his roots were cut off. These were the most painful and heartbreaking situations , they were rejoicing over the grief of the Holy Prophet (approximately),

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Abu Lahab: He has become the inheritor. He had no surviving son.

Aas ibn Wail: (Hadrat) Qasim, the son of (Prophet) Muhammad # had passed away. Due to which, he does not have any male offspring who can be his successor. When he will die, his name will be erased from the world and you will be left behind by him.¹

Under these circumstances Surat al Kawthar

إِنَّا أَعْطَيْتَكَ ٱلْكَوْثَرِ ١ فَصَلِّ لِزِبِّكَ وَأَنْحَرْ ٢ إِنَّ شَائِئَكَ هُوَ ٱلْأَبْتَرُ ٣

Indeed, We have granted you O Prophet abundant goodness. So pray and sacrifice to your Lord alone. Only the one who hates you is truly cut off from any goodness.²

Sacrifice of Hadrat Khadija Son

Once the Prophet was in the court of Kaaba disbelievers siege him and misbehaved. When Hadrat Harith bin Abi Hala know about, he rushes to save him. They started to beat Hadrat Harith severely

¹ Al -Tabarani, al -Mujam al-Kabir, 4: 179

² Quran Surah Al-Kawthar - 1-3

and killed him. Hadrat Harith bin Abi Hala was the step-son of Prophet and the son of Hadrat Khadija from her previous husband. He was killed near Rukan-e-Yemeni. Hadrat Khadija was naturally very grieved at the death of her son but she resigned herself to the Will of Allah.

Terrible neighbors

The house of the Hadrat Khadija and Holy Prophet was close to the houses of Abu Lahab, um jamil and other kuffar leaders. They used to throw the dirt and trash of their houses in the holy shrine of Islam door. When Rasulullaah would return home after hard work with bags of insults, he used to find entrails of animals, blood and filth hanging on his door. The Holy Prophet used to pick up dirt. Bring it out and use to clean his house daily and would say, "O Quraysh! These are terrible neighbors indeed!"³

Hadrat Khadija witnessed the hardships.

Hadrat Khadija witnessed and endured a great deal. She witnessed relationships being strained, young Muslims being taken off their homes by their parents, and Muslim slaves being mistreated by their

³ Tabraani in his Awsat. Haythami (Vol.6 Pg.21)

owners. In the community she grew up in, she witnessed divorces, the separation of husbands and wives, the separation of fathers and sons, the separation of mothers and fathers, the separation of faith and doubt, and the separation of polytheism and monotheism. She also witnessed Hadrat Ruqaiya, ^{*}his daughter, and her husband migrating abroad. She witnessed Hadrat Umar and Hadrat Hamza also embracing Islam,

Social & Economic Boycott

Once Quraysh seen the dignity bestowed upon the Holy Prophet # and his companions by Allah, they also witnessed the growth of Islam among the tribes and the honor bestowed upon the Abyssinian exiles. All these losses shook the Qurayshite disbelievers for a moment, Now they quickly came to new strategies and were prepared to destroy Islam and Muslims. As a result of their bad aim, the Quraysh have now decided to kill the Prophet # in public. After realizing their intentions, Janabe Abu Talib assembled the Banu 'Abd al-Mutatlib and instructed them to include the Messenger of Allah # in their enclave and to defend him from those who would try to kill him. This was accepted by the tribe's Muslims and non-Muslims, some because they wanted to preserve their protective customs and others because they were devoted to their faith.

When Kuffar e Quraysh discovered that these were working together to protect the Messenger of Allah #, the polytheists among them agreed not to sit down with them, not do business with them, or enter their homes. They also agreed that no one would speak to them, and that their condition would soon deteriorate to the point where they would all die of malnutrition and hunger, and that this would continue until they turned over the Messenger of Allah # to be executed. Cleverly, they drafted agreements and pacts stating that they would never accept peace or reconciliation with the Banu Hashim unless they gave them the Prophet # to be executed.

In The Valley of Janabe Abu Talib

The Janabe Abu Talib carried the Prophet # to Shaab Abi Talib, also known as Shaab Bani Hashim. The mountain pass was inherited by Banu Hashim. With the exception of Abu Lahab, who reacted with the boycotters and disbelievers, Banu Hashim and Banu Muttalib, both believers and unbelievers, were with Abu Talib and the Prophet #. It was a deadly and terrible siege. The prisoners in confinement suffered greatly, and the food supply was all but cut off. The people in Ash-Shi'b were starving because the idolaters used to purchase any food items that came into Makkah in case they leaked to them. As a result of the Quraysh boycott, they lost everything they had. The Janab e Abu Talib enclave and the extreme hardships they endured there, to the extent that their children could be heard groaning in their hunger. Except for the occasional small amount of food that was smuggled by some kind Makkans, nothing edible made it to them.

Hadrat Khadija tul Kubra in most difficult phase

The Mother of the Believers Hadrat Khadija bint Khuwaylid joined Prophet AL Hashir and other members of Banu Hashim and Banu Muttalib in exile. It was probably the most difficult phase in the life of a woman who had lived in affluence since her childhood. The sayyiduna nisa was forced to leave the comfort of her home to accompany and support her husband as always, Together with Prophet and other family members, she also perished from starvation. Death threats were made against her husband regularly.

Abu Jahl stops food delivery

Once, Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra člose relative Janabe Hakim Ibn Hizam was making some food for her and bringing it to her when the Abu Jahl stopped him in the middle of the road.

Abu Jahl: 'Are you taking food to the Banu Hashim? I swear, you'll not go, you and your food, without me making a scandal about you in Mecca!

Abu al-Bakhtari then came up to him and asked : What's going on between you and him?'

Abu Jahl: 'He's carrying food into the Banu Hashim.

Abu al-Bakhtari: This is food belonging to his aunt that she had sent **him** and he had at home. Would you prevent him from taking to her her own food? Get out of the man's way!'

But Abu Jahl, God damn him, refused and they began to fight. Hadrat Hamza ibn Abdul al-Muttalib^{*} was nearby and saw all this. But they did not like to tell the Prophet AL Hashir and his Sahaba of this incident lest they gloat over them.

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For months, the companions went without food and drink during the day and night. And they grew weaker and thinner every day until Janabe Abu Talib, who was now elderly, started to lose his health, and Ummul momineen Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra health also declined extremely.

Palace made of Qasab

The kuffar makes lot of noise to annoy Hadrat Khadija and other people, Hadrat Khadija would frequently hear this, which made her very irritated and distressed when she was ill too. Plus Whenever she heard something undesirable from the disbelievers and falsifications, she became sad. As a result, the Prophet of Allah # stated:

Rasulullah : 'Give Khadija the good tidings that she will have a palace made of Qasab (i.e. pipes of precious stones and pearls in Paradise) in Paradise and there will be neither noise nor any trouble in it."

World's Greatest Women

Messenger of Allah # said, The best of women among the people of Jannah are Hadrat Khadija bint

¹ Sahih Muslim, Volume 3, Book 27, Number 19:

Khuwaylid, Maryam bint 'Imran, and 'Asiyah bint Muzahim, the wife of Pharaoh."²

Hadrat Asiyah, Maryam, and Khadijah (May Allah be pleased with them) Supported a Prophet of their time in the best possible way.

- Hadrat Asiyah raised Hadrat Musa عليه السلام her palace and later testified to his nubuwwah claim.
- Hadrat Isa عليه السلام was born to Hadrat Maryam, she raised him in the most ideal way. Later she backed him up when Hadrat Isa عليه السلام got older and declared nubuwah.
- Hadrat Khadija provided both material and moral assistance. She reassured Prophet AL Hashir # and was the first one who validated his nubuwwah.

Throughout the these period of Prophethood since alan e nabuwaah, when the Holy Prophet # returned to his home in distress from the oppression and pain inflicted on him by the Quraish, he was solaced and

² Musnad Ahmad, Bukhari, Muslim

spirited up by this faithful lady. In these difficult times, the peaceful family hearth diligently established by Sayyidah Khadîjah was his greatest comfort and support.

Year of Sorrow

The long and wide boycott that went on, in which many people became weak and sick, among them were two special people who were very close to the Prophet of Allah , whose health could not be recovered and was deteriorating day by day. And one of them was the name of Janabe Abu Talib, that the harsh conditions of living under a siege and an embargo had a deleterious effect on Janabe Abu Talib's health. The Messenger of Allah a great deal, so much so, in fact, that he supported him and protected him from his fellow Qurashi noblemen until his dying breath.

Demise of the First Muslim Woman

A few days after Janabe Abu Talib's passing, Prophet was on the verge of experiencing yet another terrible tragedy: that of the other individual who fell prey to this boycott and whose illness was unable to remedy it. She was the Wife of Prophet of Allah, Ummul Mu'mineen, Hadrat Khadija.

Messenger of Allah ﷺ: By Allah I have not found a better wife than Khadija. When everyone rejected me, she believed in me and when everyone denied

me, she bore witness to me and when no one was ready to give me anything, Khadijah gave to me all her things, and Allah has granted me children from her.¹

During all this time, Messenger of Allah and did not marry any other woman.² Hadrat Khadija remained his best companion and helper. She was always ready to do everything possible for the service of Islam. Her end was, thus, a severe blow to the Holy Prophet .

The first woman to accept	The first of the Ummul
Islam.	Mu'mineen,
The first wife of the Holy Prophet 🐲	The first person to the receive good tidings of earning Jannah
The first person to	A person to be greeted by
worship with the Holy	Allah the Almighty and
Prophet 🏽	Hadrat Jibril عليه السلام
Besieged in Shi'b-e-Abi	She presented all her
Taalib with the Beloved	wealth to the Beloved
Prophet 🐲	Prophet ^{seg}
A Successful businesswoman	Only from her did the prophet 🗯 have children.

¹ Al-Isti'aab, vol. 4, pp. 384

² Muslim , 2436.

Her Worldly Life ended here

The Greatest women in history An Nisah Tul Kubra Ummul Mu'mineen Hadrat Khadija bint e Khuwaylid^{**}

Janazah of Ummul Mu'mineen Hadrat Khadija Tul Kubra [®]

She was laid down for burial in Hajoon's Makkan cemetery. There is a mountain to the north of Makkah called Hajoon. Her funeral was attended by all Muslims. The body was buried by the Holy Prophet himself. Every eye was moist with tears as the body was lowered into the grave. The Holy Prophet is said to have sobbed as well. Her nephew Janabe Hakim Ibn Hakim also participated in the burial although he did accepted Islam yet.³

This year of hijra is known as the Year of Grief in the history of Islam because both Janabe Abu Talib and Khadija passed away during that year.

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³ Ansab al- Ashraf, n.d., 1 :273 and 2:35

Remember Her forever

Hadrat Khadija was frequently remembered by the Messenger of Allah # even after her passing. She has an unique place in his life; he # never stopped talking about her, supported her friends and family, and frequently recalled her.

The way the Prophet # treated Hadrat Khadija's family and friends

Once Hala bint Khuwailid, Hadrat Khadija's sister, asked the permission of the Prophet # to enter. On that, the Prophet remembered the way Khadija used to ask permission, Halah was not only Hadrat Khadija's sister, but also the mother-in -law' of his daughter, Hadrat Zaynab. The way she spoke from the door reminded Prophet # of Hadrat Khadija'. He welcomed Halah with excitement.¹

Whenever Messenger of Allah # slaughtered a sheep, he would cut its parts and send them to the women friends of Khadija. Messenger of Allah # also honored Hadrat Khadija *s friends. It was out of his love for Hadrat Khadija *hat, long after her death,

¹ Al- Bukhari, al Sahih, 3821.

whenever he slaughtered an animal, he continued to send meat to her friends.

An old woman used to attend the service of the Prophet and he treated her with great kindness and respected her greatly.

When asked: May my parents be sacrificed for you. The way you treat this old man, don't do it to anyone else?

Prophet #: This woman used to come to Khadija, may God be pleased with her, don't you know that maintaining friendship is a part of faith.²

On one Battle, Hadrat Zaynab sent the necklace that Hadrat Khadija had given her on the occasion of her wedding. Messenger of Allah had tears in his eyes when he saw the necklace and he remembered Hadrat Khadija again.³

² Ruwah al-Bayhaqi fi Shub al-Iman , Kanz-ul-Ummaal-Urdu-

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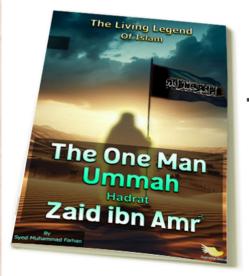
³ Ibn Hisham, al -Sirah, 2:653





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