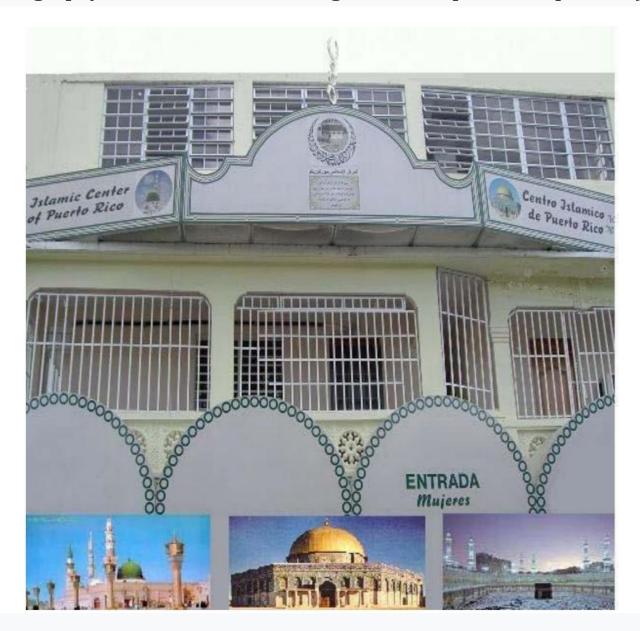
THE FIFTH MESSAGE OF Islam is the Religion of the First and the Last (Biography of Muhammad: Messenger of Allah, peace be upon him)



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In the name of Allah, the Compassionate, the Merciful

Many people from the island call us, especially professors and university students, asking about Islam. Because I don't speak English I decided to write these messages clarifying the meaning of Islam so that it is available to everyone. That's why there were the last four messages.

When the enemies of Islam among the Europeans and others dared to publish cartoons insulting the messenger Muhammad, peace be upon him, I decided to write these messages (fifth and sixth) related to a short biography of him, so that he may be known by those who are not Muslims. Taking into account that the brevity does not affect the content, I present the fifth message of:

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Introduction

We give thanks to Allah, Lord of the Universe and may peace and blessings be with our prophet Muhammad, the Messenger and Mercy for humanity and prayer and peace to all his family and his followers and those who will follow them until the end.

Dear reader:

The human being did not come to this life voluntarily nor was he given a choice because his mother involuntarily carried him and she gave birth to him involuntarily. Then he feels hungry, thirsty, tired and sleepy, all involuntarily. Even our departure from this life will be involuntary. Well, whoever has these qualities does not have absolute freedom because his freedom is limited between what Allah ordered or prohibited. Between his arrival and his departure from this world he is obliged to follow orders and prohibitions.

- * Among the orders:
- 1. Deeds related to the heart
- 2. Deeds related to the limbs

Deeds related to the heart include believing in Allah as God, His angels, His holy books, His messengers, the last day, the destiny, be it good or bad, love your neighbor as yourself, fear Allah and have hope, patience, humility and all others good qualities.

Deeds related to the limbs, such as bearing witness that Allah is the only God that exists and that Muhammad is his messenger, acquiring religious and scientific knowledge. Speak the truth and protect your hearing, vision, tongue and your private parts from everything that may cause Allah's wrath.

Prohibitions:

- 1. Deeds related to the heart
- 2. Deeds related to the limbs

Deeds related to the heart include harmful suspicion, pride, malice, envy, hypocrisy and all other bad qualities.

Deeds related to the limbs include lying, spying, backbiting and everything that displeases Allah.

So where is the freedom of the human being, with these orders and prohibitions?

To those who say that Human beings do not have freedom of expression about what they see.

We say yes, but not absolute, because freedom of expression does not mean accusing others without evidence, it does not mean humiliating others directly, in their beliefs, nor does it mean damaging the image of others as the West does today with the image of the messenger Muhammad (peace be upon him) and before with Islam and Muslims. Those who integrated these facts and the previous ones want to accuse Islam and Muslims as terrorists. They are only serving Islam, how? We will talk about this in the following.

Preface

Dear reader,

When the events of September 11 occurred, the president of the United States of America threatened the terrorists and promised to bring them to justice as soon as possible. So he declared war on terrorism requesting cooperation from the whole world. And he said: who is not with us is with them. He got the solidarity and cooperation of the world. He made no secret of his purpose and accused the Muslims by declaring war on them as crusades, then he retracted and apologized to the Muslims. The Muslims accepted that apology because the events were hard and painful and they collaborated with him like everyone else. Well, a war arose in Afghanistan to eliminate the Al Qaeda organization and the war in Iraq with the alleged weapons of mass destruction. It had never crossed the minds of Muslims that they are targeted, yet everything that happened to them after 9/11 pointed out and affirmed so. Because:

- 1. What American and British soldiers did to humiliate the dignity of Muslims, attack and injure their personality in the American prisons in Iraq Abu Ghraib, Guantánamo and Afghanistan and the violent humiliation by soldiers to young people in Iraq including Israeli prisons with the Palestinians thus violating all international prisoner law.
- 2. They dared in those previously mentioned jails to disrespect the Qur'an by throwing it in inappropriate places (toilets), trampling on it and insultingly tearing it in a way that is not suitable for a holy book.
- 3. Some European countries published insulting caricatures of the Prophet in their newspapers, such as Norway, Denmark and Sweden, and when Muslims protested against that by boycotting their products, the European Union protested against the boycott and supported those countries. It is enough that some countries of the union such as Germany, France and Italy dared to publish them again.

What does that mean? It means that the West underestimates the Muslim world, mocks divine doctrines and humiliates Islam along with its followers.

Someone would ask, what are the reasons for the West to control the Muslim world.

We say that: because their land is full of resources that Allah provided.

Well, it controls more than 50% of the world's oil reserves and Muslim countries have a large amount of minerals and metals such as gold, silver, iron, copper, natural gas, etc. In addition to other sources of energy, rivers and water sources that help generate energy. The Islamic world is also located at strategic points that control entrances and

exits to the seas and oceans on international transportation routes. Here we mention a few:

- 1. Between the Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea, Strait Of Gibraltar and Morocco.
- 2. Between the Mediterranean and the Black Sea, two Bosporus straits and Dar Daniel and there is Türkiye.
- 3. Between the Mediterranean and the Red Sea, the Suez Canal and it is in an Islamic land that is Egypt.
- 4. Between the Indian Ocean and the Red Sea, Strait of Bab El Mandeb and there is Yemen and Djibouti.
- 5. Between the Indian Ocean and the Arabian Gulf: Strait of Hormuz and there is Iran and Hormuz.
- 6. Between the Indian Ocean and the Pacific Sea. Malacca Strait and there is Indonesia.

The policy of intimidating, humiliating and disrespecting Muslim beliefs that the West directs against Muslims, presenting Islam as a terrorist religion will increase people's hatred and anger and inflame tempers leading to igniting conflicts. The enemies of Islam will find a favorable environment and fertile ground for more terrorist attacks which would destroy everything. Now we ask, when did terrorism stop after 9/11? It never stopped and it won't stop as long as the West continues its policy of double standards, as happened to the British historian (David) who was sentenced to three years in prison for having doubted the Holocaust. Isn't this freedom of expression as accepted by the West over the publication of the cartoons insulting the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him)? Well, the world has to be fair in the affairs of humanity if there will not be discord among all.

Those who believe that this policy will benefit them the most are wrong because Islam, Muslims and the messenger of Islam will receive all the benefits and here is the proof.

1. The number of Muslims is continuously growing after the events of September 11, since around seventy thousand souls in the Americas alone have accepted Islam. Can you imagine how many have reverted in other countries around the world? Do you know why? Because Islam is the religion of the innate state of people under which they were created by Allah.

2. After September 11, for the first time in history, the Qur'an is taught in some US Universities. Because the number of students who have entered Islam has grown and it is their right to educate them about the Qur'an, just as others are educated about their Holy Books.

(These are the words of a president of one of these universities.)

3. Before the events of September 11, the Qur'an was little sought after by people, but after those events there was a large increase in readership until it was found in many places including Islamic centers and public libraries around the world. Will there be a better service for Muslims and the Qur'an itself as it is? Allah says in Surah (At-Tawbah) chapter 9, verse 32 (which means):

{ They want to extinguish the light of Allah with their mouths, but Allah refuses except to perfect His light, although the disbelievers dislike it. }

4. The whole world has served the last prophet and messenger Muhammad (peace be upon him). how?

It was impossible for the world to know the last messenger well through the pen of the muslims for no matter how great the echo of a Muslim can be, it would not be read by more than a few hundred people. Now with the slander they did, the whole world knows who Muhammad (peace be upon him) is and they are going to know him even more through Muslim literature. Allah says in surah (At-Tawbah) chapter 9, verse 33 (which means):

{ He is the One Who has sent His Messenger with 'true' guidance and the religion of truth, making it prevail over all others, even to the dismay of the polytheists. }

When these schemers dared to publish cartoons insulting the Messenger (peace be upon him) the entire Muslim world protested. Although these caricatures do not affect the Muslim world or its prophet but rather makes them grow. Everyone saw how affection for the prophet united all Muslims despite their differences of thought and sects. This matter surprised the whole world. Then the idea of destroying Shiite holy places in Iraq arose to light the fuse between Shiites and Sunnis to divert the attention of Muslims from their affection for their prophet. But they never achieved their goal, because as they say: Would the clouds care about the barking of dogs?

The prophet (peace be upon him) is the cloud and those who attack are the dogs. Each country that published these cartoons extended an invitation to the world to meet this

noble prophet and so they have no excuse before Allah in the final judgment. Now, will there be a service to the prophet person greater than what they have done?

5. What a similarity between today and yesterday! They came together against the prophet (peace be upon him) but they have not achieved anything and He was safely transferred to preach the religion of Allah on earth. Allah says in surah (At-Tawbah), chapter 9, verse 40 (which means):

{ 'It does not matter' if you 'believers' do not support him, for Allah did in fact support him when the disbelievers drove him out 'of Mecca' and he was only one of two. While they both were in the cave, he reassured his companion, "Do not worry; Allah is certainly with us." So Allah sent down His serenity upon the Prophet, supported him with forces you 'believers' did not see, and made the word of the disbelievers lowest, while the Word of Allah is supreme. And Allah is Almighty, All-Wise. }

The prophet (peace be upon him) emigrated from Makkah to Madinah with about a hundred men, then came back to Makkah after 8 years with ten thousand muslims and none of those who wanted to harm him were able to. Then he came back to Makkah in the tenth year after his emigration and specifically performed pilgrimage with more than one hundred and twenty thousand Muslims. In addition to others who remained in Medina and the Arabian Peninsula. Then Islam was spread during his lifetime and after his death until the number of Muslims in the entire world today reached more than one and a third billion Muslims. And they are continually increasing thanks to Allah. Allah says in surah (Al-Anfal) chapter 8, verse 30 (which means):

{ And [remember, O Muḥammad], when those who disbelieved plotted against you to restrain you or kill you or evict you [from Makkah]. But they plan, and Allah plans. And Allah is the best of planners. }

6. The Muslim believers will not be satisfied with the apologies from those who have caused harm to the Messenger of Allah, be it from the European Union or others and our comfort is patience and faith as Allah tells us in surah (Al' Imran) chapter 3, verse 186 (which means):

{ You will surely be tested in your possessions and in yourselves. And you will surely hear from those who were given the Scripture before you and from those who associate others with Allah much abuse. But if you are patient and fear Allah - indeed, that is of the matters [worthy] of resolve. }

This is why we want in this message, if Allah allows it, that you know this noble prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him). Perhaps you believe in him and follow his message so that he may be your intercessor on the day of final judgment, when neither your wealth nor your offspring will benefit you, except if you come with a clean heart. Because to talk about the prophet (peace be upon him), many books are needed which will exhaust the reader. So we are going to mention some scenes and short pieces of his life for those who want to follow him or accept him as a guide.

This includes the following and the first is:

- 1. His lineage, birth and childhood.
- 2. His situation before the prophecy and preaching and the reaction of his people (Quraish) to his message.
- 3. The reaction of his followers about the persecution of Quraish and the Quraish repercussions to the emigration of muslims to Medina.
- 4. His emigration to Medina and his actions after the emigration.
- 5. Scenes and notes of his life and his mercy even with animals.

Because of these matters few Muslims have enough knowledge about them and other non-Muslims do not even know about them. I decided to write the fifth message on these matters so that Muslims and non-Muslims can benefit if Allah wills, I will take into account the brevity so as not to bore the respectful readers.

There are also other highlights and examples from the life of the prophet (peace be upon him), which are the second part (sixth message) as:

- 1. Miracles and evidences that presented proof of the truthfulness of this prophet.
- 2. Examples of the affection of the first and the last towards the prophet.
- 3. Prophesy, future events and scientific miracles in the sunnah.
- 4. Why was the last messenger and prophet (Muhammad-peace be upon him) illiterate?

| For those who seek the truth, interested in wisdom, careful in faith, listeners towards salvation, I present the Fifth message, |
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Chapter 1

His Lineage, Birth and Childhood

- His lineage from father and mother

He is the most noble among mankind and the best messenger of Allah. (Muhammad, peace be upon him) son of Abdullah, son of Abdul Mutalib, son of Hashem and his ancestry goes back to Ishmael (peace be upon him), eldest son of Ibrahim (peace be upon him), this is his paternal lineage. His maternal ancestry as his mother is Amina, daughter of Wahb, son of Abd Manaf, son of Zahrah and his ancestry goes back to Ishmael (peace be upon him), so his father and mother come from the same origin.

There was no prophet nor messenger between Muhammad and Ishmael. Allah says in (surah As-Sajdah) Chapter 32, verse 3 (which means):

{ Or do they say, "He has fabricated it!"? No! It is the truth from your Lord in order for you to warn a people to whom no warner has come before you, so they may be 'rightly' guided.}

And the prophet (peace be upon him) says of himself (I am the plea of my father Ibrahim, the announcement of my brother Jesus and I am the son of the two chosen to sacrifice.

The supplication of his father Ibrahim when he built the kaaba, he supplicated Allah as it came in the Qur'an itself in (surah Al-Baqarah) Chapter 2, verse 129 (which means):

{ Our Lord! Raise from among them a messenger who will recite to them Your revelations, teach them the Book and wisdom, and purify them. Indeed, You 'alone' are the Almighty, All-Wise.}

You notice that he said a messenger, not messengers, so in the descendants of Ishmael there was only one messenger (peace be upon him).

- The announcement of his brother Jesus

Allah says in surah (As-Saf) chapter 61, verse 6 (which means):

{ And [mention] when Jesus, the son of Mary, said, "O Children of Israel, indeed I am the messenger of Allah to you confirming what came before me of the Torah and

bringing good tidings of a messenger to come after me, whose name is Aḥmad." But when he came to them with clear evidences, they said, "This is obvious magic. }

The first sacrificed: It was Ishmael (peace be upon him). When Ibrahim asked Allah to give him a son, he promised to present to Allah the most valuable thing he had and when Allah granted him Ishmael whom he loved with all his heart, Allah ordered him to sacrifice Ishmael (the most precious thing). And when Ibrahim went to fulfill the command, his obedience to Allah was evidenced and he praised him by calling him the fulfiler. So Allah saved Ishmael and replaced him with a big lamb.

The second to be sacrificed was his own father Abdullah when Abdul Mutalib asked God if he gave him ten children he would sacrifice one of them. And when Allah granted him his request, he wanted to draw a lot among his children to see who would get it, leaving Abdullah in the draw and he wanted to comply if it was not for the people of Quraish who said that he would draw between him and ten camels. And drawing lots between Abdullah and the ten camels always came out Abdullah. Until they reached a hundred camels. For that the messenger (peace be upon him) is the son of the two chosen to sacrifice:

Ishmael and Abdullah.

The Birth of the Prophet (Peace be with him)

Muhammad (peace be upon him) was born in Mecca at dawn on Monday the 12th of Rabi I (April 20, AD 570). In the same year when Abraha (King of Yemen), intended to invade Mecca and destroy the Kaaba Sanctuary, his army was stopped and dragged away by a flock of birds that threw stones at them, this made the Quraishites famous as "Protected by Allah". " and as "Lords of the house of Allah" Allah wanted to call the attention of the world at that time to the east of the earth, yes, of course, and from there the last prophet Muhammad "peace be upon him" would come out with the purpose of bringing humanity out of darkness into light.

His Childhood (Peace be with him)

Muhammad (peace be upon him) grew up in Mecca, he was an orphan, his father, Abdulah died shortly before his birth, Amina (Muhammad's mother), could not feed her son for more than a few weeks, because her breast dried up then she had to look for a Bedouin nurse named Halima, who took him to the town of Baní Saed and he lived there for approximately four years and when he returned with his mother Amina two years later, he traveled with the mother towards Medina to visit her father's grave accompanied by his grandfather (Abdul Muttalib) and a maid (Umm Ayman) and on her return, her mother Amina was ill and died, she is buried in Alabwa (a place between Mecca and Al -Medina), leaving Muhammad (peace be upon him), orphaned of father and mother at the age of six, his grandfather (Abdul Muttalib) stayed with the child, but when Muhammad (peace be upon him) turned eight years old, his grandfather and first guardian also died, leaving the child alone again. His uncle Abu Talib received him at his home and when Abu Talib wanted to travel to Alsham (Palestine, Jordan, Syria and Lebanon) to trade and since Abu Talib adored his nephew very much, he was sorry to part with him and for this reason Muhammad (peace be upon him) traveled with his uncle.

On the way they passed through a place called Bahaira where they met a famous and great shepherd who advised Abu Talib to return with the child to Mecca for fear that the Jews would harm Muhammad (peace be upon him) if they come to see him they will kill him, Abu Talib asked him: << and how do you know? >> The shepherd replied we have this written in our Bible. This made Abu Talib turn back towards Makkah.

What did Abu Talib do after this?

This is what we are going to explain in the next chapter, Allah willing, his life before the revelation, the revelation and the preaching and the reaction of his people towards his preaching.

Chapter 2

His life before the revelation, The Revelation, The Preaching And The Reaction Of His People About His Preaching

HIS LIFE (PEACE BE UPON HIM) BEFORE THE REVELATION

We already know that the prophet "peace be upon him" was born an orphan and grew up in the custody of his uncle and inherited absolutely nothing from his father. When he was a teenager and could work, he dedicated himself as a shepherd of the sheep of his town (the job of shepherding the sheep was the job of every prophet (peace be upon him) and the prophet "peace be upon him" said after the revelation (All the messengers before me were shepherds) later he worked in commerce, he was a good example of honesty.

He was a good example of honesty, dignity and humility. He never lied, his people witnessed his loyalty and even his enemies did not accuse him of lying, he spoke courteously, never used obscene language. His personality and manners were charming. The entire community called him "the Amin, the sincere and trustworthy one."

Kadijah, daughter of Kuailed, was one of the best descendants of Quraish women, from a famous and rich family. When she found out about his dignity she offered him a job and he accepted the job.

Muhammad (peace be upon him) went out with her assistant "Maisara" to trade, they made great profits; Maisara told Kadijah what she observed of Muhammad "peace be upon him" this made her more interested and she offered him marriage and he agreed and they got married. He was twenty five years old and Kadijah was forty years old.

They had six children (Al Qaseem, Zainab, Rukai'a, Umm Kalthum, Fatimah and Abdullah). The males died at an early age, except the females. Allah gave the females more life and they reached the revelation of their father, they followed his beliefs and they had to emigrate, but they all passed away before the prophet (peace be upon him).

When the prophet (peace be upon him) was thirty-five years old, there was a strong flood that caused cracks in the Kaaba, the people of Quraish decided to tear down the Kaaba to build it again, the prophet "peace be upon him" participated in the construction and carried the stones on his shoulder.

When they arrived at the construction site where the black stone is located, there was a lot of controversy, aggravating it to the level of a war between groups, because each of those groups wanted to be the ones to place that stone in its place. After so much conflict and controversy they decided that the first person to enter the Mosque would be the one to make the decision, this person was the prophet "peace be upon him". When they saw that it was him, they said we accept that he be the worthy one as judge, then he took a piece of cloth and placed the black stone in the middle of that piece, and told each of the groups that one person from each group should hold a corner of the piece and thus all the groups participated in the placement of the stone.

The prophet "peace be upon him" developed from his childhood healthy, honest, just, merciful, compassionate, trustworthy, and courageous, he was far from any evil characteristics, he never worshiped idols, never drank alcohol or visited evil places until he received divine revelation.

The revelation and preaching of the Prophet "Peace be with him"

Yes, Allah has protected the prophet (peace be upon him) from all those bad customs of the town where he grew up and kept him away from the town of Makkah (Mecca). Allah's revelation came to Muhammad (peace be upon him) when he was 40 years old, during one of his frequent retreats and meditations in the cave of Hira' known today as the Mountain of Nur (light) which is two miles away from Mecca. One day the Angel Gabriel arrived, he told him: << Read >>, Muhammad (peace be upon him) answered: "I don't know how to read", "I don't know how to read". Then Gabriel told him (which means): << Read in the name of your Lord, the one who created; created man from a sperm: Read! your Lord is the most generous, who has taught man what he did not know. >>

The prophet (peace be upon him) returned to Khadijah, he was trembling with fear and when he calmed down he told her what had happened to him, he went to his cousin (Woraka Ibn Nawfal) who had a lot of knowledge about the previous books. When he heard what had happened, he told him: It's the same thing that had happened to Moses. I wish if I were alive when your people expel you, the prophet (peace be upon him) asked, would they do that? He answered yes! Because no one has brought what you bring and has not been rejected by his people, and if I get to be there I will support you. But he passed away before the revelation of the prophet (peace be upon him).

The people's reaction to his preaching "Peace be with him"

When Allah ordered his prophet (peace be upon him) to spread Islam, he started to bring the message to his people and as his people were worshiping idols and used to resolve everything by force. Allah ordered him to start spreading the message in secret.

The prophet (peace be upon him) therefore began his mission cautiously, entrusting it to his family and friends. It was immediately a success when his wife reverted only after hearing about the revelation from Allah. Then came his cousin Ali and his freed slave Zaid immediately accepted the news of faith in Islam, (Submission to the will of Allah). The fourth was Abu Bakr and they all reverted the same day.

After them several men and women have been reverted, they all were practicing secretly, until he was discovered and with all that, his people (the Quraish) did not give it much importance, because the prophet (peace be upon him) did not attack their beliefs.

Slowly the message was spreading, during the first few years he gained only a few followers. But despite the concern and care that was taken, Quraish realized everything that was happening. At first, they did not notice much and only mocked the prophet (Peace be upon him) and his followers, but the time had come to proclaim the will of Allah in public.

Quraish Started to say that he was a sorcerer, and they doubted the mental health of the prophet (peace be upon him), but as people were still entering Islam, the audacity of Quraish increased until the time came when they announced war against him. They strongly punished his followers in different ways, such as verbally, physically until it was time to migrate to Al Habasha. Some of the Muslims who did not want to emigrate were punished to death. But with all that, several people who were respected, such as Hamza Ibn Abdul Mutalib and Omar Ibn Al Khatab, and others, entered Islam, which made Islam stronger. When Quraish realized that they failed to prevent people from entering Islam, they started a new plan to assassinate the prophet (peace be upon him)

We will present this in the third chapter.

Chapter 3

The reaction of Muslims towards Quraish And The Quraish reaction to the emigration of Muslims

As the punishment of Quraish against the Muslims was increasing every day, the prophet (peace be upon him) had to find another way to carry the message, for that he would go out at the time of pilgrimage and meet different tribes and invite them to Islam. Which made these tribes easily enter Islam, because they have heard from the Jews who lived nearby about a prophet who was going to be from Makkah.

When the prophet (peace be upon him) met with these tribes they talked among themselves that he was the one they heard about from the Jews; and they promised to carry the message and meet him next year, they remembered of the (Bait Al Kaaba) the first time and they swore to protect it, support the prophet (peace be upon him), be faithful, follow him through good and bad times.

And as the number of people who entered Islam increased, they decided not to leave the prophet "peace be upon him" in Mecca, suffering the punishments, they communicated with him in secret and that's when they made the promise. How did it happen?

After the Second Promise, the emigration of Muslims to Medina began, only the people who could not emigrate remained in Mecca, and the prophet (peace be upon him) also remained, waiting for Allah's order to emigrate.

The reaction of Quraish towards Muslims and their emigration and the decision to Kill the Prophet "Peace be upon him"

The people of Quraish went crazy to see the emigration of the Muslims and that the Muslims found where they could live in peace. So they found the threat that if the Muslims unite in Medina they would cause danger to their businesses, therefore they reunited in (Dar Al Nadwa) in order to plan how they can put an end to this danger, especially that the prophet (peace be upon him) was still in Makkah and had not emigrated. Several opined to expel him from his town, others wanted to assassinate him, others wanted to throw him in jail and lock him up until death.

Abu Jahel opined to choose the strongest man from each tribe and give each one a sword in order to kill him with a single blow. This opinion found the acceptance of all and they began the preparation to carry out the assassination. They plotted. How did Allah plot? How did Allah help him to come out in front of them safely? We are going to narrate these in chapter four, Allah willing.

Chapter 4

His emigration (Peace be upon him) and what he managed to do after the emigration

His emigration (Peace be upon him)

The day after the Quraish men met and took the decision to assassinate the prophet (Peace be upon him), they woke up like any other day hiding what they had planned. This was their part in scheming, but Allah prevented what they had planned without them realizing it.

Allah sent the Angel Gabriel and told the prophet what the Quraish had planned and assigned him the time of departure and pointed out to him how he is going to make Allah's answer to what the Quraish had plotted and told him that nothing bad will happen to him. When the dark came, the men of Quraish came secretly and surrounded the prophet's house and made sure that he was inside. They saw a person lying in bed but as this person was covered with the prophet's sheet they thought it was the prophet. But when the night came, and the prophet had to leave, he came out reading verse 9 of Chapter 36 (Surah Yasin) which means:

{ We have put up a barrier in front of them and another one behind them and we have watched over them, they cannot see. }

Allah clouded the sight of the men who were surrounding the house of the prophet (peace be upon him) and thus he managed to get out in front of them safely. The prophet (Peace be upon him) goes to Abu Bakr's house and both of them went to the cave of (Thawr) to stay there for three nights, the people of Quraish went crazy when they realized that he had left, they started looking for him everywhere until they reached the cave at which time it caused Abu Bakr to fear that some harm would happen to the prophet (Peace be upon him). For that the prophet (peace be upon him) told him: << What do you think of two people and the third is Allah accompanying them! do not fear, Allah is with us >>. After the three nights, the prophet (peace be upon him) came out with Abu Bakr and they headed towards Medina and there the people welcomed him (on the road from Mecca to Medina several events happened that we are not going to present at this moment).

What the Prophet Achieved after the emigration

Once the prophet (Peace be upon him) arrived in Medina, the first step was that the construction of the first Mosque in Islam began, the prophet (Peace be upon him) worked as a bricklayer for several hours a day, he worked as any other person.

The Mosque held a great position on equality among Muslims and that there was no difference, no preference among Muslims, and no difference between whites and blacks.

The second step was to unite the residents (Alansar) and those who immigrated as brothers, the residents (Alansar) competed among themselves to see who gives more to serve the emigrants. Allah was satisfied for how they behaved towards the emigrants and revealed the verse 9 of Chapter 59 from the Surah (Al-Hashr) which means:

{ As for those who had settled in the city and 'embraced' the faith before 'the arrival of' the emigrants, they love whoever immigrated to them, never having a desire in their hearts for whatever 'of the gains' is given to the emigrants. They give 'the emigrants' preference over themselves even though they may be in need. And whoever is saved from the selfishness of their own souls, it is they who are 'truly' successful. }

They were merciful to each other. We will narrate this in chapter five.

Chapter 5

Views on the prophet's life (Peace be upon him)

Muhammad (peace be upon him) as a great example:

We have observed in the previous chapter that the prophet (peace be upon him) participated in the construction of the Mosque just like any other person. This sharing left a great effect between the prophet (peace be upon him) and his friends and caused affection, friendship and trust among them. So we want to present examples of him as a great friend.

Muhammad (Peace be upon him) The Friend

Friendship is not complete without real feelings, good habits and strong relationships. The prophet (peace be upon him) was a great example of all these feelings. Examples about that:

There is no more beautiful nor charitable relationship in the record of humanity than the one between the prophet (peace be upon him) and Halima (she is the woman who breastfed him), because whenever he met her he called her mother and always he took what he had to give to her. When the prophet (peace be upon him) won the Hunain war, and at the end of the battle, Havazen brought him an uncle from Halima (Halima is the woman who breastfed and that man was her relative). By that man the prophet (peace be upon him) intervened so that the Muslims return their children, women and belongings to them.

The prophet (peace be upon him) had been taken care of by a servant, he never forgot that favor and always every time he met her he called her mother and worried about her, and told his friends whoever wants to marry a woman from paradise to marry Umm Ayman.

His friendship was not limited to the elderly only, but also to the minors, he said (he who is not merciful to the minors, and does not know the rights of the elders, is not one of ours).

Muhammad "Peace be upon him" The Leader

No administration is straightened out without sincerity, and sincere support, Muhammad (peace be upon him) was a great leader and friend of his people. He shared his opinions with his friends, he never took advantage of his position to choose the best, an example of this:

One day when he was traveling, his friends wanted to sacrifice a lamb, he ordered his friends to sacrifice it and while they were doing it he began to look for firewood, when they told him that he did not have to do it, he said that he did not like being preferred. He helped his friends to prepare the trench surrounding Medina and always chose the most difficult tasks for himself. He carried the stones on his shoulder for the construction of the Mosque.

He said: whoever provides help to the needy will be protected from the punishment of Allah. He also said: Allah chose some followers who are dedicated to helping people, those who are protected from Allah's punishment.

Muhammad "Peace be upon him" Husband

The prophet (peace be upon him), as a husband, was the best of husbands. Examples of this:

- 1. He dressed up at home and liked to look good for his wives.
- 2. He played with his wives.
- 3. When he sacrificed sheep at home he gave meat to his wife's family (Khadijah). After her death. He always spoke highly of her.
- 4. He never mistreated his wives. Besides, he hated the mistreatment of women. He said: << How can a man who hits his wife in the morning, as if she were a slave, and at night sleeps with her not be ashamed>>?
- 5. He treated his wives all equally.
- 6. When he traveled he raffled among his wives.
- 7. He shared with them, made them feel happy.

Note: See the Third Message where you can find more details about women before and after Islam.

Muhammad "Peace be upon him" The father

The prophet (Peace be upon him), as a father, overcame a great pain which one can never overcome except the prophets (Peace be upon them). Because Allah gave him six children with Khadijah. All of them passed away except one, "Fatima". In the last part of his life, Allah gave him a son, from his wife (Maria Alkubtia) He named him Ibrahim. When the prophet (peace be upon him) looked at him, he was very happy and hopeful thinking that he was going to have a heir, that he was going to continue on his way, but this hope did not last long, because his son died. His Quraish people called him (Abtar) meaning the man who has no male heir, and they thought that the prophet (Peace be upon him) would finish his preaching when he died. So Allah said to him (which means): << Therefore pray to your lord and offer sacrifices because the one who hates you, that one who will have no posterity >>

When his granddaughter (Zainab) passed away he hugged her and began to cry. When asked (why are you crying) he replied, This is a mercy that Allah gives to whomever he chooses from His slaves, and Allah is Merciful to the merciful.

Muhammad "Peace be upon him" The Master

The prophet "peace be upon him" was very merciful, especially with the slaves and the weak. This special and humble treatment that he gave these people reflects a man with noble feelings because this treatment comes voluntarily and is not an order from another person. The father's love towards his son is by nature and it is with all beings, but if that love reaches the level of feeling it towards the poor and weak, it means that the person became merciful. Example of this:

Zaid Ibn Haretha was kidnapped as a child, he was sold as a slave and later they gave him as a gift to the prophet (peace be upon him) and after several years, his father, after looking for him so much, found him. He was missing him a lot and wanted to buy him from the prophet. Then the prophet (peace be upon him) asked Zaid (the son) if he wanted to stay with him or return to his father.

Zaid chose to stay with the prophet, when the prophet saw Zaid made that decision, he released him and gave him his last name and married him to his cousin.

Later, he kept that love for his son (Usama Ibn Zaid) and gave him the command of the army even though he was not yet 20 years old and there were people in the army who were older than him and were friends with him.

If the prophet (peace be upon him) had a son, he would not do more with him than he did with Osama.

His mercy towards the slaves of others was equal to the mercy he had for his slaves, he treated them with great affection and gave them gifts and accepted their invitations when they invited him to eat. He disliked that they kissed his hands so that it is not a custom among people like to humiliate people.

Muhammad "Peace be upon him" The Gentleman

The prophet (peace be upon him) was a unique example of courtesy in receiving people, they described him as having a lot of energy, that he was fast, he was so strong and that he would defeat any strong man. He tamed horses and accepted jokes. Examples of this:

One day a man came riding a camel to visit the prophet (peace be upon him) and there was a man named Noeiman Ibn Amr (This was a man known for good humor and he liked jokes) and they told him to kill the camel so that they can eat its meat and so the prophet would pay for it. Noeiman killed the camel, and when the man came out and found his camel in pieces, he called the prophet. When the prophet (peace be upon him) came out and asked who did this, they told him it was Noeiman. The prophet looked for him and when he asked him: << why did you do this >>? He laughed and told him what happened, then the prophet (peace be upon him) smiled and paid the camel.

Her aunt Safia was an old woman. She asked him one day if the elderly enter paradise, the prophet answered her: No old man enters paradise, she cried, then he smiled and told her that everyone enters young, and women enter virgins, she understood what he meant and left quietly.

One time, one of his companions asked him to carry him on a male camel, so he replied humorously that he would carry him on the son of a she-camel. The companion replied that he wanted a male-camel. To that the prophet replied that male-camels are born by none other than she-camels!

Muhammad "Peace be upon him" The servant

The prophet (peace be upon him) was an honest servant, of course, and was brought up in the house (Abdul Mutalib) one of the rich of Mecca, he grew up as an orphan which made him ponder about the creation of the universe. Allah protected him from everything that the children of Mecca did, he preferred to be alone, away from the noise, in the cave of Hira. He was a guide in preaching. Examples of this:

- 1. The prophet (peace be upon him) prayed a lot at night, he prayed so much that his feet swelled from standing so much. His wife (Aisha) asked him why did he pray a lot if Allah forgave all his sins? He replied: << for that I have to be grateful >>. When he did the prayers with his friends, he didn't take long so as not to tire them out too much. The prophet (peace be upon him) fasted a lot and invited his friends to do the same.
- 2.He had dignity and good manners. He never stretched out his feet in front of his friends and when he visited them, he didn't get up before asking permission. He never blew on his food, drink, and never breathed on a plate. When he sneezed, he covered his mouth, perfumed himself, brushed his teeth, he was very clean and he said: << If it wasn't so difficult, I would make cleaning the teeth obligatory before each prayer >>.
- 3. He was not very fond of enjoying life; (although everything he wanted he could have), he never stayed three days in a row without going hungry, at some point during these three days he was very hungry. His wife Aisha said that she cried seeing him suffer so much and asked why are you doing this? He answered; that he did not want to enjoy life and told her that the previous prophets suffered a lot and had patience and endured more.

One day Omar saw him lying on a hard carpet that left marks on his back. Omar cried for him and told him that Kisra and Kaisar (they were Kings in those days) lie on rugs made of the best soft yarns and they are no better than you and you lie on a rug made of rough yarn, the prophet (peace be with him) got up and asked him: << do you have any doubt that they have the enjoyment of the present life and that Allah will compensate us in the final day >>?

Yes, the prophet was noble and kind, he united love and trust. His friends and even his enemies were witnesses that he was a man of his word and trustworthy. But that person, who had these qualities, such as: friendship, mercy and generosity, is currently judged as a terrorist.

All the examples describe the prophet (peace be upon him) and there are other examples about him such as the messenger, the soldier, the politician and the leader and the administrator. In the story there are other descriptions about him that serve as a guide for those people who want to follow him, to follow a great example of everything that means a good person who unites all the qualities for these people who want to be safe.

Examples of his mercy with animals

His affection was so abundant that it included all living beings, and it was not only with people, but also with animals.

If we are going to present the examples, there are many, but we are going to present only three:

He provided containers for the animals so they could drink water and he was the one who said: <<A woman fell into hell for mistreating a cat, she locked it up, did not feed it and did not let it look for food either!>>. One day he saw a friend carrying a cat, he called him the cat's father until this man became famous with this nickname and all his friends identified him with this nickname.

He forced the Muslims to be merciful to animals, right? And he was the one who said: <<Whoever rides an animal has to give it its rights and does not behave like the devil!>>. And he repeated this several times and said: <
be merciful to the animals, take care of them so that they remain healthy and so that you can eat them good and healthy>>.

He gave an example of a man who entered paradise through a dog that was very thirsty and he gave it water.

He further said that Allah forgave an adulterous woman who walked past a dog that was dying of thirst, took off her shoes, fetched water for the dog and gave it to drink, for that Allah forgave her great sin.

He comforted the death of a bird that belonged to Anas's brother.

His servant Anas Ibn Malik related that one day the prophet (peace be upon him) visited his mother and found his brother (Anas's brother) sad, and he asked the mother of Anas why he (Anas' brother) was sad. She replied telling that his bird with which he was playing died. The prophet (Peace be upon him) went to him and tried to encourage and comfort him and every time he met him he comforted him.

This is a simple example full of affection and humility, because the prophet (peace be upon him) would visit his servant's house and also worry about his brother's sadness and comfort him too. Allah said, which means:

(And we have not sent you except as a mercy to all the worlds)

Until we meet in another message, we leave you with Allah and may His peace, mercy and blessings be upon you.

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