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# HAZRAT ASMA (R.A)

**UNIT 04** 

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# 2 MIGRATION OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD (S.A.W)

- After prelamination of prophethood and openly preaching Islam, Muhammad (S.A.W) faced numerous problems from Pagan Arabs because they viewed Islam as a threat to their centuries old beliefs and their social dominance.
- Looking at the mounting hardships, Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) decided to migrate from Makkah to Medina in the year 622 A.D.

## **3 PREPARATION FOR THE JOURNEY**

- The planning and preparation of the journey was done at the residence of Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddique (R.A).
- His daughter, Hazrat Asma offered her services while preparations for the journey were being made. She prepared the food for the journey and tied it to camel's back with two belts of her cover.
- For her services, the Holy Prophet (S.A.W) titled her ZAAT-UN-NATAQIN meaning "She of the Two Belts".

# 4 NIGHT OF DEPARTURE

- The Quraish somehow got the information that Muhammad (S.A.W) and Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddique (R.A) are planning to migrate from Makkah as a result the house was besieged by the men of Quraish tribe.
- Muhammad (S.A.W) and His companion Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddique (R.A) managed to break the siege and escape under the cover of darkness.
- When the Quraish chiefs got the news of Muhammad (S.A.W) and Abu Bakr (R.A) making a successful escape, they got infuriated for being unable to capture the two men.
- As a result of successful escape, a bounty/ reward was announced for capturing the two men dead or alive.

# 5 ARRIVAL OF ABU JEHL AT THE HOUSE OF HAZRAT ABU BAKR (R.A) ON THE NIGHT OF MIGRATION.

 Quraish somehow came to know that Muhammad (S.A.W) and Abu Bakr Siddique (R.A) have managed to escape for Medina from the besieged house in the cover of night. To get confirmation about the information, Abu Jehl, the chief of Quraish arrived at the house of Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddique (R.A).

## 6 CALMNESS OF HAZRAT ASMA (R.A) BEFORE ABU JEHL

- Upon arrival at the house of Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddique (R.A), Abu Jehl, and began knocking at the door angrily.
- When Hazrat Asma (R.A) opened the door, Abu Jehl demanded the whereabouts of her father. Hazrat Asma (R.A) calmly replied how should she know? A very logical reply since the house was surrounded by men of Quraish. This counter question infuriated Abu Jehl and he slapped Hazrat Asma (R.A) so forcefully that her ear ring fell off. Even then Hazrat Asma (R.A) remained calm and did not say or disclose any thing about her father or Hazrat Muhammad (S.A.W) to anyone.

# 7 REFUGE IN THE CAVE OF THAWR (SAWR) MOUNT BULL

- After making an escape for Medina, Muhammad (S.A.W) and his companion Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddique (R.A) took refuge in a cave of Mount Thawr (Sawr).
- Hazrat Asma (R.A) was tasked with providing food to Hazrat Muhammad (S.A.W) and her father. This task was so secret that no other person could be trusted for fear of telling their whereabouts to Quraish who were searching for them.
- Daily at night, being careful of not being followed, Hazrat Asma (R.A) moved through the difficult paths of Mount Thawr to the cave to supply food to the Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) and her father Hazrat Abu Bakr.

#### 8 WISDOM OF HAZRAT ASMA (R.A)

- On becoming aware of the sudden departure of Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddique (R.A), Abu Quhafaa, the blind father of Hazrat Abu Bakr (R.A) and grandfather of Hazrat Asma (R.A) expressed his fear that his son had left his children penniless by taking all the wealth with him.
- Taking advantage of the blindness of her grandfather, Hazrat Asma (R.A) gathered some pebbles in a cloth and put them where her father, Hazrat Abu Bakr (R.A) used to keep his wealth. She took her grandfather to the place where Hazrat Abu Bakr (R.A) kept his wealth and asked him to touch the cloth. Abu Quhafaa felt reliever that his son had not left his own children wealthless.

## 9 GENEROSITY OF HAZRAT ASMA (R.A)

- Hazrat Asma (R.A) was an open hearted and a generous lady.
- Hazrat Asma (R.A) inherited a garden after the death of her half-sister (step sister) Hazrat Ayesha (R.A) which was later sold and the money was distributed amongst the poor.
- She was so kind hearted and generous the no one ever returned empty handed from her door.

#### **10** LIFE OF HAZRAT ASMA (R.A)

- Daughter of Hazrat Abu Bakar Siddique (R.A).
- Half-sister of Hazrat Ayesha (R.A).
- Wife of Hazrat Zubair Bin Al Awwam (R.A)
- Mother of Hazrat Abdullah Bin Zubair (R.A)
- Death at the age of hundred years.

# **11** MESSAGE FROM HAZRAT ASMA (R.A)'S LIFE

 Hazrat Asma will be remembered as a brave, generous and wise lady having firm belief in God Almighty.

## 12 TASK

• Read the slides and attempt the questions given in the assignment.