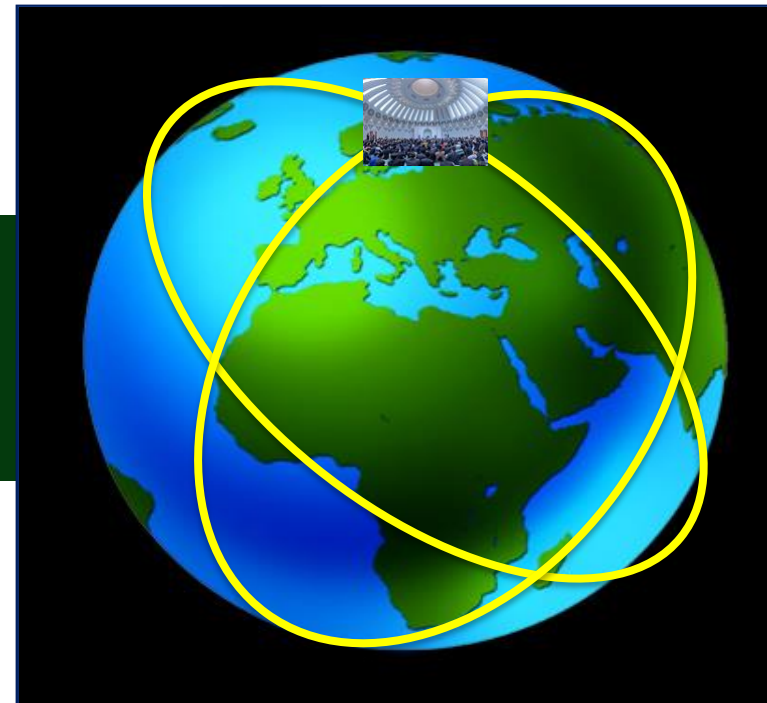


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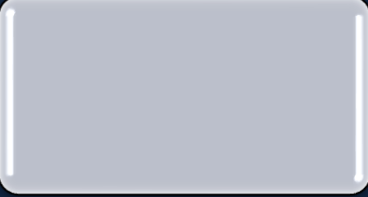


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# Summary

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**Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (aba) stated:**

**His Holiness, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba) said that he would begin highlighting incidents from the lives of the Khulafa-e-Rashidin, beginning with Hazrat Ali (ra) bin Abi Talib bin Abdil Muttalib.**

**Hazrat Ali's (ra) father's name was Abd Manaf who was better known as Abu Talib, and his mother's name was Fatimah bint Asad bint Hashim. Hazrat Ali (ra) was born ten years before the prophethood of Muhammad (sa).**

# Hazrat Ali (ra)

**His Holiness (aba) said that initially, Hazrat Ali (ra) had been named Asad by his mother, however his father Abu Talib later named him Ali. Hazrat Ali (ra) had three brothers and two sisters.**

**Hazrat Ali (ra) was also known by the titles Abul Hassan, Abus Sibtain and Abu Turab.**

**He was known as Abu Turab because once, the Holy Prophet (sa) saw him sleeping on the floor of the mosque and some dirt had come onto his body.**

**The Holy Prophet (sa) went to him and said, ‘O Abu Turab, wake up.’**

# Acceptance of Islam

One day, Hazrat Ali (ra) saw the Holy Prophet (sa) and Hazrat Khadijah (ra) offering prayers. Hazrat Ali (ra) inquired as to what they were doing, upon which the Holy Prophet (sa) explained, and invited him to believe in the One, True God.

Hazrat Ali (ra) wished to first consult his father Abu Talib, however the Holy Prophet (sa) did not wish for this news to spread before his formal claim to prophethood. Thus, he asked Hazrat Ali (ra) that even if he did not wish to accept this message, he should not make mention of it to anyone.

Later on that night, God placed the truthfulness of Islam in Hazrat Ali's (ra) heart, and the next day he decided to accept Islam and pledge allegiance to the Holy Prophet (sa).

His Holiness (aba) said that at the time of his acceptance, Hazrat Ali (ra) was thirteen years of age, whilst according to some other narrations, his age was 11 years. According to historians, Hazrat Ali (ra) was the first child to accept Islam.

# Invitation of Islam to Abu Talib

Once Hazrat Ali (ra) was offering prayers alongside the Holy Prophet (sa). During this time, Abu Talib passed by and saw this.

He asked the Holy Prophet (sa) what they were doing, to which the Holy Prophet (sa) relayed to him the message of Islam and invited him to accept it.

Abu Talib said that he could not leave the practice of his forefathers, but then he looked at Hazrat Ali (ra) and said that he should remain with the Holy Prophet (sa) in his faith.

Abu Talib also said that despite not formally accepting Islam, he would ensure that no harm reached the Holy Prophet (sa).

# Invitation of Islam to Family

Once, according to the divine command that he should warn his family and invite them to Islam, the Holy Prophet (sa) instructed Hazrat Ali (ra) to invite the family of Abdul Muttalib for a meal.

After the meal, the Holy Prophet (sa) wished to give a speech, inviting everyone to the religion of Islam. However, the treacherous Abu Lahab said something whereby everyone who was present dispersed.

**Then the Holy Prophet (sa) asked Hazrat Ali (ra) to invite his family again, and on that occasion, he invited his family to accept Islam and the One, True God. The Holy Prophet (sa) asked if they would support him in this mission**

**Everyone remained silent, except for the thirteen-year-old Hazrat Ali (ra), who spoke up and said that though he was the youngest and the weakest present, he would support the Holy Prophet (sa).**

# Pivotal Role During the Migration

His Holiness (aba) said that amidst the increasing opposition of the Makkans, the Holy Prophet (sa) was informed by God regarding the Makkans plans to assassinate him. He was then divinely commanded

to migrate from Makkah to Madinah. Thus, the Holy Prophet (sa) left his home at night, even as it was surrounded by Makkans. He left Hazrat Ali (ra) in his home, ensuring him that by the grace of God,

nothing would happen to him. The Holy Prophet (sa) instructed Hazrat Ali (ra) to lay in his bed, so that when the Makkans would look inside, they would not suspect that he had left.

**When the Makkans closed in, instead of the Holy Prophet (sa) they found Hazrat Ali (ra). He was captured, beaten and held prisoner and would be released some time later.**