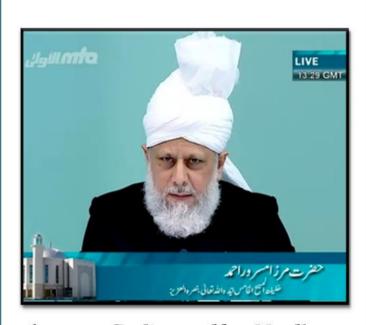
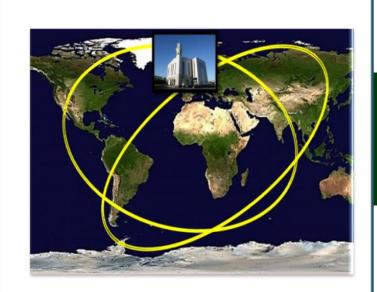
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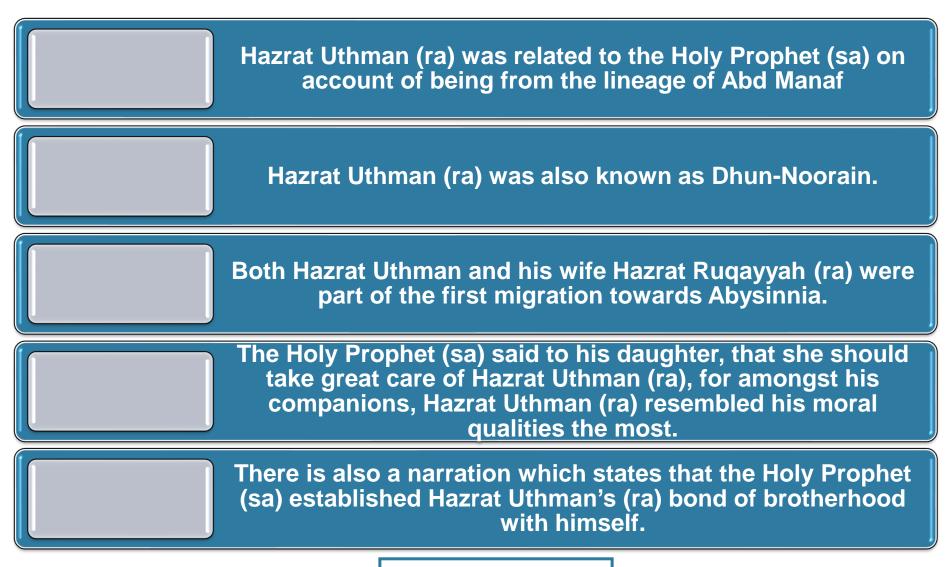
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<u>Summary</u> <u>'Rightly Guided Caliphs – Hazrat Uthman (ra)'</u>



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His Holiness (aba) said that though Hazrat Uthman (ra) did not physically take part in the Battle of Badr, however he was among those eight companions to whom the Holy Prophet (sa) gave spoils of war, thus including them amongst the participants of the Battle of Badr.

His Holiness (aba) said that his full name was Uthman bin Affan bin Abil Aas bin Umayyah bin Abd Shams bin Abd Manaf bin **Qusayy bin Qilab.**

He was related to the Holy Prophet (sa) on account of being from the lineage of Abd Manaf

His mother's name was Arwah bint Quraiz, and his maternal grandmother was the sister of the Holy Prophet's (sa) father. Hazrat Uthman's (ra) father had passed away before the advent of Islam.

The Holy Prophet (sa) married his daughter Ruqayyah to Hazrat Uthman (ra), however she passed away during the days of the Battle of Badr. Afterwards, the Holy Prophet (sa) gave another one of his daughters, Umm Kulthum, to Hazrat Uthman (ra) in marriage. Thus, Hazrat Uthman (ra) was also known as Dhun-Noorain.

Once, Hazrat Uthman (ra)
went to meet the Holy
Prophet (sa) along with
Hazrat Talhah bin Ubaidillah
(ra). The Holy Prophet (sa)
took the opportunity to
preach to them the true
message of Islam, upon
which both accepted Islam
and attested to the
truthfulness of the Holy
Prophet (sa).

Hazrat Uthman (ra) told the Holy Prophet (sa) that he had just returned from Syria, where one night, he had heard someone calling out, saying that Ahmad had manifested in Makkah.

Then when he returned to Makkah, he heard of the Holy Prophet's (sa) claim and thus went to meet him. Thus, Hazrat Uthman (ra) accepted Islam even before the time of Dar-e-Argam.

Both Hazrat Uthman and his wife Hazrat Ruqayyah (ra) were part of the first migration towards Abysinnia.

Before leaving, the Holy Prophet (sa) advised Hazrat Uthman (ra) that he should take Hazrat Ruqayyah (ra) along with him, so that both could be a means of support for one another.

Hazrat Uthman (ra) and his wife Hazrat Ruqayyah (ra) were known for their great beauty. Once, the Holy Prophet (sa) visited their home, and the Holy Prophet (sa) said to his daughter, that she should take great care of Hazrat Uthman (ra), for amongst his companions, Hazrat Uthman (ra) resembled his moral qualities the most.

After their departure, the Holy Prophet (sa) inquired as to the status of their journey. Upon receiving news of their departure, the Holy Prophet (sa) said that after Lot (as) and Abraham (as), they were the foremost in migration.

His Holiness
(aba)
presented a
narration as to
why it was
believed that
the Quraish
accepted
Islam.

Hazrat Uthman (ra) remained in Abysinnia for some time and returned to Makkah along with other companions only after hearing news that the Quraish had accepted Islam.

However upon reaching Makkah, they learned that this news was false. Later, Hazrat Uthman (ra) and Hazrat Ruqayyah (ra) also took part in the migration from Makkah to Madinah.

It is stated in a narration that once, the Holy Prophet (sa) was standing near the Holy Ka'bah and was reciting Surah Najm in a profound and heartfelt manner.

After completing his recitation, the Holy Prophet (sa) fell into prostration, upon which all the Muslims, and even the Quraish present also fell into prostration.

His Holiness (aba) explained that at times, in light of certain circumstances, hearing or seeing certain things, the heart becomes influenced to such a degree that a person does something which is seemingly out of their control.

They may do something, though they may not believe in it, such as the Quraish who fell in prostration alongside the Muslims, because of the manner in which the Holy Prophet (sa) had been reciting the Qur'an and the verses which he was reciting.

His Holiness (aba) commented that this is something we see even today, that at times even atheists will call out to God without even realising. His Holiness (aba) said that he himself has asked atheists about this and they have said that this is absolutely true.

His Holiness (aba) said that after the migration to Madinah, there are various narrations as to who Hazrat Uthman's (ra) bond of brotherhood was established with. There is also a narration which states that the Holy Prophet (sa) established Hazrat Uthman's (ra) bond of brotherhood with himself.

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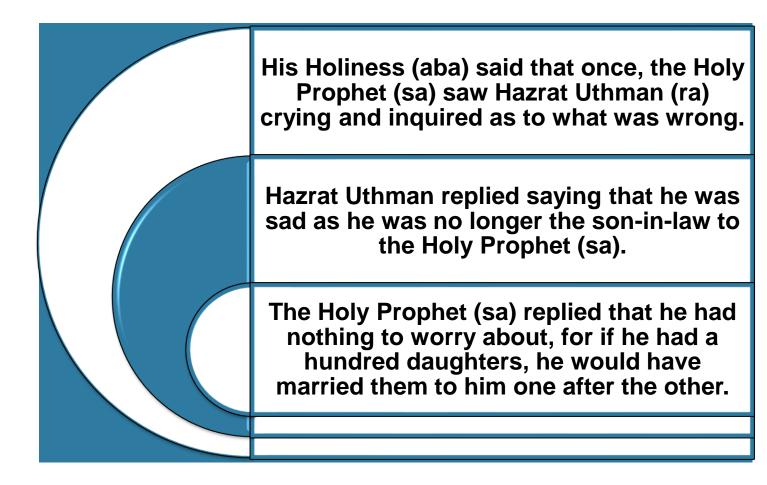
His Holiness
(aba) said that
when the Holy
Prophet (sa) set
out for the
Battle of Badr,
he instructed
Hazrat Uthman
(ra) to stay
behind and
tend to Hazrat
Ruqayyah (ra)
who was ill.

Later, after returning from the Battle of Badr, the Holy Prophet (sa) set a portion of the spoils for Hazrat Uthman (ra), which was equal to those who participated in the war. Hazrat Ruqayyah (ra) passed away during the days of the Battle of Badr.

After her demise, one day, the Holy Prophet (sa) met Hazrat Uthman (ra) in the mosque, and told him that Gabriel had informed him that God had decreed for his daughter Umm Kulthum to be married to Hazrat Uthman (ra).

Once, the Holy Prophet (sa) asked Umm Kulthum how Hazrat Uthman (ra) was as a husband, to which she replied that he was an excellent husband.

Hazrat Umm Kulthum (ra) passed away in the ninth year after migration. The Holy Prophet (sa) led her funeral prayer, and it is narrated afterwards, the Holy Prophet (sa) became emotional as he stood by her grave.



A Request for Prayers for Ahmadis

His Holiness (aba) once again made an appeal for prayers for Ahmadis in Pakistan.

Though the opponents continue in their attempts, they forget that there is a Higher Being Who is watching over them and taking account.

His Holiness (aba) prayed that may they see reason and act with justice. His Holiness (aba) similarly prayed for the Ahmadis of Algeria and all those in other places who are facing such hardships.