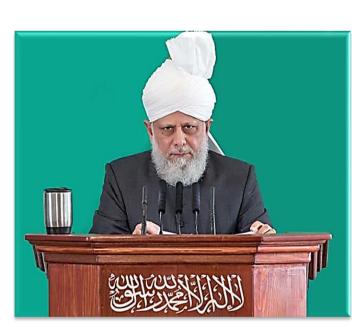
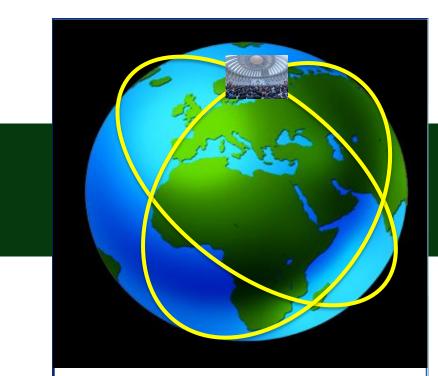
<u>Men of Excellence :</u> Hazrat Umar ibn al-Khaţţāb (ra)



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Hazrat Uthman (ra) wrote that Hazrat Umar (ra) would be the next Khalifa. When Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) regained consciousness, he asked Hazrat Uthman (ra) to read out what had been written. Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) agreed with what had been written.

Hazrat Abu Bakr's (ra) will was read out to the people, and Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) asked them whether they agreed with the decision he had made, to which everyone replied that they would obey this decision and the next Khalifa.

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Rightly Guided Caliphs – Hazrat Umar(ra)

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The Will of Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra)

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Before he passed away, Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) called Hazrat Uthman (ra) so that he could write down his will. As Hazrat Uthman (ra) was just beginning to write, Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) fell unconscious.

During this time, Hazrat Uthman (ra) wrote that Hazrat Umar (ra) would be the next Khalifa. Then when Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) regained consciousness, he asked Hazrat Uthman (ra) to read out what had been written. Hence he read out what he had written about Hazrat Umar (ra), and Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) did not change it, rather he said that he had rendered a great service.

The Will of Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) – Cont'd

Men of Excellence : Hazrat Umar ibn al-Khaţţāb (ra) Hazrat Abu Bakr's (ra) will was read out to the people, and Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) asked them whether they agreed with the decision he had made, to which everyone replied that they would obey this decision and the next Khalifa.

Once, someone asked Hazrat Umar (ra) about his anger and that it no longer seems to show. Hazrat Umar (ra) replied that it was still there, but it only manifested against the disbelievers.

Hazrat Umar's (ra) First Address As the Khalifa

Hazrat Umar (ra) said that any matter that came to him he would decide himself. And any matter that was distant, he would appoint representatives to deal with it. He said that whoever did good would be rewarded, but anyone who did evil, then he would be treated accordingly.

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after becoming the Khalifa, Hazrat Umar (ra) delivered a speech in which he said that he had heard people were afraid of his fiery temperament and that people felt he would be harsh as a leader.

On the third day

Hazrat Umar (ra) said that during the time of the Holy Prophet (sa) no one could match the Holy Prophet's (sa) kindness and compassion, and at the time of his demise, the Holy Prophet (sa) was pleased with Hazrat Umar (ra). Then regarding Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra), he said that everyone was aware that he was very kind and he was his servant and helper. And at the time of his demise, Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) was pleased with Hazrat Umar (ra). Hazrat Umar (ra) said that he would be extremely kind, yet at the same time he would be firm in ensuring that justice was always served.

Great Humility of Hazrat Umar (ra)

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The Second Caliph, Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad(ra) stated regarding the Khilafat of Hazrat Umar (ra), that he strove extremely hard in ensuring that the values and teachings of Islam were upheld. Hazrat Umar (ra) used to pray to God, that he had been entrusted with a great task, and would pray for forgiveness in case he had not done justice in carrying this duty out.

When Iran was conquered, flour mills were brought to Madinah, and Hazrat Umar (ra) said that the first flour from the mills should be sent to Hazrat A'ishah (ra). This showed the great respect he had for the wives and family of the Holy Prophet (sa). The women of Madinah had never seen such fine flour before, and so they gathered around Hazrat A'ishah (ra) to see it.

<u>Great Humility of Hazrat Umar (ra)</u> <u>– Cont'd</u>

The Second Caliph (ra) said that this wasn't any special flour, rather it was of even less quality than the flour which the poorest of the poor had to eat.

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When Hazrat A'ishah (ra) placed the cooked flour in her mouth, she began to cry. When asked why she was crying, she said she was thinking of the Holy Prophet (sa) who even in his final days of life did not have much to eat. The person due to whom all the bounties were possible was gone, yet they were able to benefit from this bounty and favour. Later Hazrat A'ishah (ra) said she could not eat anymore.

Hazoor (aba) said he would continue highlighting the life

of Hazrat Umar(ra) in the future.

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- 1. Suhaila Mahbob Sahiba
- 2. Raja Khurshid Ahmad Munir Sahib
- 3. Zameer Ahmad Nadeem Sahib
- 4. Isa Muakitilima Sahib
- 4. Sheikh Mubashar Ahmad Sahib
- 5. Saif Ali Shahid Sahib
- 6. Masood Ahmad Hayat Sahib.

Inna lillahi wa inna ilaihi raji'un

[Surely To Allah do we belong and to Him do we return].