



## Ayat of the Month

“And [mention] the one who guarded her chastity, so We blew into her [garment] through Our angel [Gabriel], and We made her and her son a sign for the worlds.” (21:91).

## Hadith of the Month

Rasulullah ﷺ said, “Women are the **twin** halves of men.”

Ahmad, Tirmidhi, Abu Dawud

## Hikmah of the Month

“The best of you are those who are **best to their wives.**”

“The best of you are those who are best to their families”

Sahih Tirmidhi and Tabrani



In Islam, women are a **source of mercy** in the world



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## Editor’s Note: A Cradle of Mercy: The Compassion of Women

Our Beloved Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) is described to have said that out of everything in this world, one of the aspects that he loved and showed the most appreciation for was women. One reason for Rasulallah’s (ﷺ) high opinion of women was for their natural inclination towards compassion, kindness, selflessness, love and mercy.

It is also for this reason Allah describes in the Qur’an Bibi Maryam (Salaamun ‘Alayha), the mother of Prophet Jesus (Alayhis Salaam), as an example of chastity, virtue, and purity for **both men and women** to learn from (66:12 and 21:91). Not only that, but it has been told that men should protect and honor women.

The virtues that women possess are sacred, thus, making women sacred as well. This is implied by an Arabic word for woman which is *hurma*– meaning that which is sacred.

This sacredness is seen in the numerous blessings and graces bestowed by women. They open a door of heaven for their fathers as a daughter, they complete half the

religion of their husband as a wife, and they have *Jannah* (heaven) lying under their feet as a mother! And this is simply in their relationship to others; imagine what their status is in relationship to God in being a devout and pious Muslimah and Ashiqah (Lover)!

Allah (Subhanahu wa taAla) further shows this as He begins the Holy Qur’an with the verse “*Bismillah hi Rahman nir Raheem*”, In the name of Allah, the most Merciful and the most Compassionate.

Allah describes Himself as merciful twice in the very first verse, but if you look at the word for mercy (*Rahmah*) in the Arabic and Hebrew languages, you can see that *Rahmah* is derived from *Rahum* which is the word for womb. This alludes to the reality that **women are a source of mercy** in the world.

So in a time when we are surrounded by negativity and harshness, women serve as a powerful reminder of the compassion and mercy we should be showing each other. May we all learn these positives virtues, and learn to appreciate and honor our cradles of mercy in the world. Ameen

## THE SPRING OF FELICITY:

### THE MARRIAGE OF RASULULLAH (ﷺ) AND SYEDAH KHADIJAH



Bibi Khadijah was very known as *Tahira* (the Pure). She was also very wealthy and well-known in the Quraysh. Many chiefs, rich, and powerful people proposed to Hadrat Khadijah for marriage; however, she refused all of them. Syedah Khadijah was wealthy and powerful herself; however, she wanted to marry someone who was spiritually wealthy, someone with the best of character, the best of lineages, and the purest of hearts: Sayyidina Rasulallah (ﷺ).

Syedah Khadijah had heard only good things about the Prophet (ﷺ). Even though he had not even started his mission of teaching and showing people Islam, he was the most truthful, honest, and upright person- always radiating light. She came to know of Rasulallah (ﷺ) more after he had done some business and trading for her in different parts of Arabia. After seeing his honesty first hand, Syedah Khadijah wanted to see if Sayyidina Rasulallah (ﷺ) was interested in marriage. So she sent her close friend, Nufaysah bin Munyah, to ask the opinion of the Prophet (ﷺ) regarding marriage. The rest of the story up until the marriage ceremony carries on from the words of Hadrat Nufaysah:

**“Khadijah was a brave, wise, and gentle lady. She was the best in her lineage, the best in her piety, and more prosperous than all of the people.** All the gentlemen from her tribe were yearning to marry her, but they were of no avail. When the Prophet (ﷺ) returned from Syria, she appointed me to get his opinion regarding his marriage. So I was sent to the Prophet (ﷺ) to ask him as to why he doesn't

get married (as Rasulallah (ﷺ) was not married at this time nor was he ever married before). The Prophet (ﷺ) told me that he had no money to spend on marriage. I said to him, ‘You need not worry about it for I take responsibility if Your Honor accepts the invitation to beauty, honor, and prosperity.’

The Prophet (ﷺ) asked as to whom I hinted to. I said, ‘Khadijah.’ The Prophet (ﷺ) said, ‘How is it possible for me?’ I went back to the house of Khadijah where, with pleasure, I apprised of the conversation. She promptly invited the Prophet (ﷺ) to her house. After conversing with the Prophet (ﷺ), when she believed Prophet (ﷺ) would not reject her offer, she said to him, ‘O son of my uncle! I like you for you are my kin. Your glory is high in your nation. The trust, the noble conduct, and the truthfulness are distinct virtues of you.’ And then, she disclosed to the Prophet (ﷺ) her inner intention (of marriage), to which the Prophet (ﷺ) agreed with earnestly. This was the betrothal, not the contract of marriage (that had taken place).

After mutual consent, Hadrat Khadijah urged the Prophet (ﷺ) to send his uncle Abu Ta'lib to them. On the next day, Hadrat Abu Ta'lib met Hadrat Khadijah who entreated him to contact her uncle and propose to her for his beloved nephew. Hadrat Abu Ta'lib expressed his pleasure saying, **‘This is but a miracle from God.’** Thus, with the consent of the elders of both families, the blessed marriage was (set).”

On the fixed date, the chiefs of the Mozir tribe and the gentlemen of Makkah gathered together at the house of Hadrat Khadijah. Omar bin Asad, her uncle, was appointed as her council, and Hadrat Abu Ta'lib for the Prophet (ﷺ). Hadrat Abu Ta'lib gave an eloquent and moving sermon:

“All praises are for Allah, Who made us from the descendants of Ibrahim, from the cultivation of Isma'il, from the generation of Ma'd, and from the

origin of Mozer. He appointed us as the guard and administrator of His House. He gave us a House to which people come for pilgrimage. He provided us with a *Haram*, in which is found peace and tranquility. He made us the rulers of the people.

After the praise, this is my nephew, whose name is Muhammad bin Abdullah. If he is compared with even the greatest personality of the world, the balance would go in his favor. If he is not rich, it does not matter, for richness is a shadow very prompt to disappear; it is a fast changing thing. And Muhammad whose relations you know, proposed to Khadijah bint Khuwaylid, and fixed twelve and a half *Oqiah* gold as her *Mehr* (dowry). And by God! In the future, his glory will be elevated, and he will be very highly respected.”

After Hadrat Abu Ta’lib had delivered his sermon, Waraqah bin Naufal, the first cousin of Bibi Khadijah, went and delivered a sermon in response:

“All praises are for Allah, who bestowed us with the honors and gifts you have spoken of and blessed us with the reverences you have reckoned so we are the leaders and the rulers of the entire Arabia. And all these virtues are attributed to you as well. No one, from the men of tribes, refutes your dignity and glory. We yearn to get into a relation with you. O Chiefs of the clans of Quraysh! Be witness, I have married Khadijah with Muhammad bin Abdullah.”

At this, Hadrat Abu Ta’lib said he wanted the uncles of Hadrat Khadijah to say something as well. So her uncle, Omar spoke, “O clans of Quraysh! Be witness, I have performed the *Nikkah* of Khadijah with Muhammad, and to this effect, the chiefs of the Quraysh are the witnesses.”

It was the first marriage of the Prophet (ﷺ), and it concluded in splendor and glory; it would prove a spring of blessings and bliss until the resurrection. It was at this that *al-Tahirah*-the pure-(Syedah Khadijah), married *As-Siddiq Al-Ameen*-the Truthful and the Trustworthy-(Sayyidina Rasulallah (ﷺ)).

The arrival of Syedah Khadijah sparked a very joyous revolution in the blessed life of Rasulallah (ﷺ). The love and service Hadrat Khadijah rendered to the Prophet (ﷺ) filled the vacuum that the passing of his mother, Bibi Aminah, had left in his life. Bibi Khadijah loved Rasulallah (ﷺ) so much that she eagerly offered her property and life for him. She was always thankful to Rasulallah (ﷺ) for his kindness in accepting her. Allah had selected Bibi Khadijah to be the other half of His beloved Prophet (ﷺ), and from her pure womb were born 3 sons and 4 daughters, the last of whom was the only one to outlive her father: The Queen of the Women of Paradise– Bibi Fatimah Az-Zahra Al-Batool (Salaamun ‘Alayha).

## WOMEN IN ISLAM



Rasulallah (ﷺ) said, “The whole world is a provision, and the best object of benefit of the world is the pious woman.”

“If a woman obeys her lord, offers her five daily prayers, and preserves her honor, she will enter the paradise of her Lord.”

“A strong woman is the one who feels deeply, and loves fiercely. Her tears flows just as abundantly as her smile. A strong woman is both soft and powerful; she is both practical and spiritual”

“A strong woman in her essence is a gift to the whole world.”

“A Muslim woman: she conceals her beauty, cloaks her seductivity, refuses to submit to the worldly desires, preserves her attractiveness and charm, protects the diamond within, she remains veiled.”

“Women are spiritually powerful and sacred. It is in men’s imitation of the positive virtues of women that the ranks of men are raised, and they feel compelled to honor and protect women.”

## THE DAYS TURNED INTO NIGHTS:

### THE PASSING OF SYEDAH FATIMAH AZ ZAHRA



Bibi Fatimah Az Zahra is the youngest of the noble daughters of Sayyidina Rasulallah (ﷺ). She was born from Bibi Khadijah before Sayyidina Rasulallah (ﷺ) started teaching the message of Islam. Bibi Fatimah had gone through many difficulties in her life. Even though she grew up in the household of her mother *al-Tahira* (the Pure Khadijah) and her father the best of creation she witnessed many of her father's hardships and trials. She had even witnessed the Quraysh pouring camel entrails on the sacred back of Rasulallah (ﷺ) and men stepping on his neck while he prayed in Makkah Mukarramah. At that time she was less than 10 years old; however, she was the only one out of the Muslims at that time who went up to her father and cleaned the entrails from his sacred back and silver-like neck and protected him. Furthermore, she would walk around with Rasulallah (ﷺ) as a young girl and witness how the people would look down on her father even though he had the best of character, was from the best of lineages, and had the purest of hearts simply for speaking the truth.

In these times of hardship, before the *Hijra* to Madinah Munawwarah Shareef had occurred, Bibi Khadijah would comfort and support Rasulallah (ﷺ) with every ounce of her being. Bibi Fatimah saw how much Rasulallah (ﷺ) loved Bibi Khadijah and how much he would rely on her, but she also saw the pain Rasulallah (ﷺ) felt when Bibi Khadijah passed away.

Despite all of this, Bibi Fatimah Az Zahra remained patient and supported her father. Bibi Fatimah loved Rasulallah (ﷺ) with every ounce of her heart

having learned this from the example of her pure mother who would always pour out love for Rasulallah (ﷺ). Her love was a beacon of strength for her as she would devote herself to pleasing her father. It is this strength that her children, Imam al-Hasan and Imam al-Hussain, later take from as they become leaders of the youth of paradise, and after them, all of her descendants to this very day.

She would take care of Rasulallah (ﷺ) and provide for him to such an extent where Bibi Fatimah received the nickname, *Umm Abiha*, the Mother of her Father. Such was the love and compassion Bibi Fatimah had for the Prophet (ﷺ)- her beloved father. Sayyidina Rasulallah (ﷺ) and Bibi Fatimah had a very special bond. In an era where having a daughter was usually frowned upon, Rasulallah (ﷺ) changed that by showing the companions what his own daughter meant to him- further elevating the status of women and appreciating the virtues and mercy they hold.



In fact, Rasulallah (ﷺ) was reported that have said that among many narrations:

**“Fatimah is a part of me. Therefore, whosoever angers her, angers me” (Sahih Bukhari).**

**“My daughter is part of me. He who disturbs her in fact disturbs me, and he who offends her offends me” (Sahih Bukhari).**

Bibi Fatimah was very similar to the Beloved of Allah (*HabibAllah*) in manners, habits, and even walking. Bibi Aisha said that, “By Allah, her (Bibi Fatimah's) walk does not differ from the walk of the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ).” Bibi Fatimah was the closest to Rasulallah (ﷺ) in resembling him in all his characteristics, even in his manner, his speech, his noble character, and his beautiful radi-

ance of light. Just as Rasulallah (ﷺ) was described as *Azhar ul-Lawn*— brightness in color; as such, in her similar radiance of light **Bibi Fatimah was called Az Zahra— the Blossoming Flower of Brightness!** Bibi Aisha also narrated that, “I have not seen any one of Allah’s (Subhanahu wa ta’Ala’s) creation resemble the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) more in speech, conversation, and manner of sitting than Fatimah (RadiAllah ‘Anha).”

Rasulallah (ﷺ), the Master of all the worlds, would even stand up for Bibi Fatimah, kiss her, and then seat her in his own place of seating whenever she would come in his presence! Such was the bond of love, affection, and compassion between father and daughter— between the leader of the universes and the leader of the women of paradise!

No amount of words could do justice in properly portraying the infinite love Bibi Fatimah had for her father. As such, no amount of words could properly describe the heartbreak she went through when her foundational support her whole life, role model, and beloved father passed away.

When Rasulallah (ﷺ) had completed the revelation and his duty as messenger, he passed away from this world. Bibi Fatimah felt as if she had lost a part of herself, or even her whole self. Her pure heart was broken, and the father whom she loved so much was no longer present in this world. She lost her mother, she lost her sisters, and now she lost her most beloved father (ﷺ). All those she had grown up with in her household had passed away, and Bibi Fatimah’s heart was having much difficulty losing those bonds of love. Her heart was cut into pieces, and her tears were a testament to her sorrow.

After the companions (RadiAllah ‘Anhum) buried the body of Rasulallah (ﷺ), Bibi Fatimah walked to her father’s sacred grave side. She put her hand on the grave, picked up some soil, and then wiped it over her eyes as she said,

*“What does it harm one who has smelt the dust of the tomb of Ahmad*

*To never for the rest of time smell perfumes?*

*Calamities have been poured upon me*

*Had they been poured upon the days, they would have turned into nights.”*

She suffered a pain no one would be able to feel. Smiling no longer knew Bibi Fatimah. She used to smile a lot just like her father (ﷺ), but she was never seen smiling after that. Bibi Fatimah knew her time was also coming close as her strength slowly left her. As her beloved sons al-Hasan and al-Hussain would cry over the state of their mother, Bibi Fatimah said to her husband Imam Ali, “O Ali, when I die, wash me...If you bury me, bury me at night.” And she even requested that when her body would be wrapped, that a hard cover be placed around her so no one would be able to tell the shape of her body. **Even in her final moments, Bibi Fatimah was concerned about her modesty.**



Within only 6 months, she passed away of a broken heart, and joined her father (ﷺ). Even though she passed away in this world, the legacy she left behind lives on to this day and is a sign of the oneness of God: the family of Rasulallah (ﷺ). They are living breathing examples of Qur’an and Sunnah, and it is by their

sacrifice, scholarship, and leadership that we have still have Islam. Her sons learned from their radiant mother strength, patience, courage, and leadership and they continue to pass those traits down to their descendants. This was the life of Bibi Fatimah, but as for the day of Judgment, the pain she went through will be compensated for as she will rise with her father, and enter into paradise to live with him (ﷺ), her blessed family, and those who love them- forever. And her heart will be at peace eternally, as would the heart of anyone who is with their beloved.

May Allah all grant us a place in the presence of Rasulallah (ﷺ), his family, and his companions so we may also experience that love, and the love of Allah. Ameen

## THE QUEENS OF JANNAH

### ♥ Bibi Khadijah ul-Kubra ♥

Bibi Khadijah was known as **Tahira**, the pure one, the clean one, even before the coming of Islam. When she married Rasulullah (ﷺ), she was a millionaire and extremely wealthy; however, she eventually gave all her wealth away to charity out of love for her husband (ﷺ). Many powerful and wealthy people wanted her hand in marriage; however, she was compelled by the honesty and trustworthiness of Rasulullah (ﷺ). Bibi Khadijah believed in Rasulullah (ﷺ) when people disbelieved. She accepted him, comforted him, and consoled him in his most difficult times. She was the coolness of his eyes, and a treasure for him in this world. In love, she passed away by his side, supporting him even in her last breaths.

*“The best women in the world are Asiya, Maryam, Khadijah bint Khuwaalid, and Fatimah bint Muhammad.”*

-Sayyidina Rasulullah (ﷺ)

### ♥ Bibi Maryam bint Imran ♥

Bibi Maryam, Mary, is the mother of Prophet Isa, Jesus. She was a very chaste and devout servant of God. She would spend all her time praying and worshipping Allah. Her story is one that shows us the true meaning of Tawwakal, reliance on Allah. Having never married, Bibi Maryam could not have a child; however, through a miracle of Allah, He placed a baby in her womb. Everyone at that time thought Bibi Maryam had become pregnant from committing a bad deed; however, this was not the case. Having no means of supporting herself, Zakariyya would often check on her to see if she needed any food. Instead, whenever he went to see her, there would be piles of food and fruit already in front of her! When he asked where this came from, she would reply, “It is all from Allah.”

### ♥ Bibi Fatimah az-Zahra ♥

When the companions looked at Bibi Fatimah, they would see Rasulullah (ﷺ). She resembled him in character, manners, and radiation of light. Syedah Fatimah was the most beloved person to Rasulullah (ﷺ). She was the youngest of Rasulullah’s (ﷺ) four daughters, and learned Islam ever since she was a child. Whatever pleased Syedah Fatimah, pleased Rasulullah (ﷺ), and whatever angered Syedah Fatimah, angered him as well. Allah Azawajal mentions her purity in the Qur’an and asks us to love her and her family. Not only that, but her rank is such that she is called the **Syedul Nisa un Jannah**, the Leader of the Women of Paradise. Indeed, it is no surprise that the Princes of Jannah, Imam Hasan and Imam Hussain, were born and raised by her.

### ♥ Bibi Asiya wife of Fir’oun (Pharaoh) ♥

The duniya can blind people with money, status, or beauty; however, Bibi Asiya had all of these as the wife of Pharaoh; yet, she rejected them all and turned to Allah. She saved Prophet Musa (Moses) when he was a baby and brought him up during the time when Pharaoh was killing every infant. Her faith was so strong that she was unaffected by his evil presence, and believed in Prophet Musa. When Pharaoh found out about her faith, he tortured her, asking her to give up her belief in Allah. She could have had anything she wanted if she listened to Pharaoh, but she chose the pleasures of the afterlife over the pleasure of this world. Bibi Asiya loved Allah so much, she couldn’t bear giving up her belief in Him, so she never gave in. Pharaoh tortured her to death; however, Allah granted her a house near Himself in Jannah.

## YA NOOR AL 'AYN

Ya Noor al 'Ayn

You are the light of my eyes

That enters my soul

And to my heart brings life

How could you not

Be to me most Beloved?

When the Best of Creation said

That you are a part of him?

From him you took your Light

and you were taught Islam

Raised by Tahira the bright

With your Father al-Imam

Even the Hoor 'Ayn envy

the beauty you possess,

the Light you carry,

And the Kawthar you represent

The spring of strength of Asadullah

Raising a Shaheed who sacrificed all for truth

Indeed, only an Empress of Jannah

could make and raise a house so pure

So strong was your bond

between yourself and Rasulallah (ﷺ)

That when he departed this world

Your pure heart was torn apart



*Fatimah is a part of me, and whatever pleases her pleases me*  
 -Sajjidiyah Rasulallah (ﷺ) by Sakhawi and others

The agony of a lover from separation  
 from her beloved is the worst pain indeed  
 Allah put you through the most difficult test  
 Your tears, a witness to your creed

Never will I forget the du'a you would make  
 How you spent all your time asking for others  
 Asking forgiveness for their mistakes  
 Forgetting yourself, as would a mother

Ya Tayyibah, Ya Zahra

Oh how I pray to be close to you  
 A guiding light that grants me peace  
 As a servant of the lineage from you

You are mercy from mercy

You are a light from light

You are as your name suggests

The one who sifts wrong from right

So show me mercy

and grant me a place near your heart  
 serving your children till the end

A part of your family, saving me from the dark



## UMMUL HATIL MU'MINEEN

The Ummul Hatil Mu'mineen, also known as the Azwaje Mutaharat, are the blessed wives of Rasulullah (ﷺ). Allah has revealed ayat about their status, in Suratul Ahzaab ayahs 6, 32, and 53. As they are considered to be "The Mothers of the Believers," as such, it is obligated that we show our utmost respect and love for them as this was the practice of Sahabah Karam as well.

It is reported that there are a total of eleven, two of which passed away before Rasulullah (ﷺ) did.

Our mother's names are:

- **Khadijah bint Khuwailad**



She was the first wife of Rasulullah (ﷺ). When he was married to her, he married no one else. They supported each other and loved each other deeply. Bibi Khadijah was a billionaire; however, she gave all her money to charity. She was so generous that she would often act as if she was healthy in front of Rasulullah (ﷺ) even though she was ill from starvation just so he wouldn't feel hurt. During the 3-year embargo on Rasulullah (ﷺ) and his clan, Bibi Khadijah passed away from starvation, even though she

supported and strengthened Rasulullah (ﷺ) even with her final breaths. After she passed away, Rasulullah (ﷺ) would often talk about her and treat her friends well in honor of her. **Rasulullah (ﷺ) said that the love of Khadijah was his rizq (wealth or reward) in this world!** SubhanAllah a true love story!

- **Aisha bint Abu Bakr**

She was the youngest of Rasulullah (ﷺ)'s wives. She was the daughter of Hadrat Abu Bakr, one of the greatest companions of Rasulullah (ﷺ). Rasulullah (ﷺ) took care of Aisha with great love and care, and it was through Bibi Aisha that many of our ahadith are narrated. It was through her narrations that we learned how Rasulullah (ﷺ) was so kind to his wives, how he partook in completing the house work, and how he would even wash the dishes to let Bibi Aisha rest. Her status is further exemplified by the fact that Rasulullah (ﷺ) passed away in her arms, in her home, tending to her husband's need until his last breath.

- **Hafsa bint Umar**

Bibi Hafsa was Hadrat Umar's daughter, another of Rasulullah's closest companions. Initially, she was widowed as her first husband passed away after participating in the battle of Badr. Rasulullah (ﷺ) then married her to provide for her and ease her grief. She was truly the daughter of Hadrat Umar as she would fast often, read much Qur'an, and engage in lots of ibadat. She was recognized as a scholar of ahadith and fiqh as was extremely intelligent as well.

- **Umme Habiba bint Abu Sufyaan**

Umme Habiba was the daughter of the leader of Mecca. She and her husband originally migrated to Habsha to preserve their faith in Islam, as they were early supporters of Islam; however, her husband lost his faith and drunk himself to death. Now, she was alone in a foreign land with no one to support her. Hearing her

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condition deeply concerned Rasulullah (ﷺ) so he proposed to marry her. Umme Habiba went through many trials, but this shows how great her iman was. Even though her father was one of the biggest enemies of Islam before he converted, and her husband became misled and drank alcohol to death, she still held onto her faith in Allah and stayed optimistic. Allah rewarded her optimism and faith by giving her a better husband that will help her in this life and the hereafter: the Rasul of Allah (ﷺ).



### • Umme Salmah bint Abu Umayya



Umme Salmah is also known as Hind. She and her husband embraced Islam early in the start of its mission, and participated in the hijra to Habsha. When they came back to Mecca and were prepared to make another hijra to Madinah Munawarra, they were stopped by the clan Umme Salmah belonged to. They didn't want her to leave them and join Islam, so they made her and her child stay behind while her husband migrated to Madinah Munawarra. She was eventually able to convince them to let her join her husband in Madinah Shareef. After her husband passed away, Rasulullah (ﷺ) married her to support her and her children. Umme Salmah was known for her beauty and

intelligence. It's said that she never gave an opinion except that which was correct.

### • Saudah bint Zam'ah

Bibi Saudah was the first person Rasulullah (ﷺ) married after Bibi Khadijah passed away. Rasulullah (ﷺ) was extremely saddened by her passing, so one companion suggested to him that he marry Bibi Saudah. Rasulullah (ﷺ) had his daughters to care for, so having Bibi Saudah help him and support him would lighten his work load and give him time to steady his heart.

### • Zainab bint Jahsh

Bibi Zainab was originally married to Hadrat Zaid bin Haarith; however, although they both had much taqwa, they came from very different backgrounds. There was a large difference in personalities, and they could not live with each other any longer; they divorced. Rasulullah (ﷺ) was disheartened by this, but he sent a proposal to Bibi Zainab to try and ease the trial she was going through. When Bibi Zainab discovered that the Best of Creation (ﷺ) was proposing to her, she became extremely happy and prayed 2 nafil salaats. She made du'a to Allah that, "Oh Allah! Your beloved has sent me a proposal for marriage. If I am worthy of being his wife, then make my nikaah to him."

Allah responded by revealing the ayat in the Qur'an, "Then when Zaid had accomplished his purpose with her, we gave her in your marriage" (33:37). Bibi Zainab was extremely generous and always gave sadaqah and charity. In addition, Bibi Zainab had the unique honor of being wed to Rasulullah (ﷺ) through Allah Himself!

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### • Maimoonah bint Haarith



Maimoonah means, “one that gives barakat.” Rasulallah (ﷺ) himself gave her this name. Previously, it was Barah, “the virtuous person.” Bibi Maimoonah had many familial relations with other sahabah. In addition, her mother, Bibi Hind bin Auf, had 6 powerful and pious son-in-laws including: Rasulallah (ﷺ), Mawla Ali, Hadrat Abu Bakr, Hadrat Hamza, Hadrat Abbas, and Hadrat Shadaad bin Al-Haad. Bibi Maimoonah had the honor of being the last of the Azwaaaje

Mutaharaat as Rasulallah (ﷺ) did not marry anyone after her.

### • Zainab bint Khuzaimah

Bibi Zainab bint Kuzaimah was also know as the Mother of the Orphans, Ummul Masaakeen. She was also the step-sister of Bibi Maimoonah. Even in the era before Islam, she still fed and took much care of orphans. Her husband was martyred in the battle of Uhud so Rasulallah (ﷺ) sent a proposal of marriage to her to support her; however, she passed away only 2-3 months later.

### • Juwairiyah bint Haarith

Bibi Juwairiyah was originally named Barah; however, it was changed to Juwairiyah, “small girl,” in order to emphasize humility. Bibi Juwairiyah once saw a dream that the moon was coming towards her from Madinah Munawara Shareef. The moon then fell onto her lap. At first, Bibi Juwairiyah was confused as to the meaning of the dream; however, 3 days later, Rasulallah (ﷺ) proposed to her and the meaning became clear. She would often spend much of her time in ibadat, especially between Fajr and salatul Duha, reading dua’, and making dhikr.

### • Bibi Safiya

Bibi Safiya is unique in two aspects in regards to the other Ummal Hatil Mu’mineen. The first is that she was not from the Quraysh tribe, nor was she from any other Arab tribe. She belonged to the Jewish tribe of Banu Nadeer.

Rasulallah (ﷺ) married Bibi Safiya after the battle with their tribe in order to ease relations. The second unique aspect is that she was related to Rasulallah (ﷺ) by two ways. The first was as being his wife. The second was their relationship through Prophet Haroon (Alayhis Salaam). The people of the Banu Nadeer tribe were descendents of Prophet Haroon while Rasulallah (ﷺ) was a



descendent of Prophet Musa (Alayhis Salaam). Since Prophet Musa and Prophet Haroon were brothers, Bibi Safiya had a blood lineage with Rasulallah (ﷺ)! Rasulallah (ﷺ) treated Bibi Safiya with great love and care. She was truly special!

## SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN THESE MONTHS:

### A STROLL THROUGH HISTORY

## JUMADA AL-ULA AND JUMADA AL-AKHIR

### Jumada Al-Ula (Jumada al-Awwal)

#### Important Dates:

8th of Jumada Al-Awwal

- Hadrat Ali was born
- Hadrat Zaid ibn Haritha was shaheed
- Hadrat Ja'far ibn Abi Talid was shaheed

16th Jumada Al-Awwal

- Passing of Hadrat Ibrahim ibn Adham

29th Jumada Al-Awwal

- Passing of Hadrat Khalid bin Waleed

### Jumada Al-Akhir (Jumada Ath-Thani)

#### Important Dates:

1st Jumada ath-Thani

- Passing of Hadrat Sultan Bahu Saab (Sultan-ul-Arifeen)

5th Jumada ath-Thani

- Passing of Mawlana Jalalludin Rumi

9th Jumada ath-Thani

- Hadrat Imam Jafer Sadiq was born

20th Jumada ath-Thani

- Syedah Fatimah was born

22nd Jumada ath-Thani

- Passing of Hadrat Abu Bakr As-Siddique
- Hadrat Umar became Caliph of Islam

#### Significant Events:

- Hadrat Abdul Muttalib passed away 32 before Nabuwat
- Rasulullah (ﷺ) married his first wife, Bibi Khadijatul Kubra





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Hijri Dates	Date	Day	Fajr	Sun	Zuhr	Asr	Maghrib	Isha
Jumada al-Akhir	April	Start	Begins	Rise	Begins	Begins	Begins	Begins
1	1	Tue	4:57	6:33	12:55	5:25	7:17	8:53
2	2	Wed	4:55	6:31	12:55	5:25	7:18	8:54
3	3	Thu	4:53	6:29	12:54	5:26	7:19	8:56
4	4	Fri	4:51	6:28	12:54	5:27	7:20	8:57
5	5	Sat	4:49	6:26	12:54	5:28	7:21	8:59
6	6	Sun	4:47	6:24	12:53	5:28	7:22	9:00
7	7	Mon	4:45	6:23	12:53	5:29	7:23	9:01
8	8	Tue	4:43	6:21	12:53	5:30	7:24	9:03
9	9	Wed	4:41	6:19	12:53	5:30	7:25	9:04
10	10	Thu	4:41	6:19	12:53	5:30	7:25	9:04
11	11	Fri	4:39	6:18	12:52	5:31	7:27	9:06
12	12	Sat	4:35	6:15	12:52	5:33	7:29	9:09
13	13	Sun	4:33	6:13	12:51	5:33	7:30	9:10
14	14	Mon	4:31	6:11	12:51	5:34	7:31	9:12
15	15	Tue	4:29	6:10	12:51	5:35	7:32	9:13
16	16	Wed	4:27	6:08	12:51	5:35	7:33	9:15
17	17	Thu	4:25	6:07	12:51	5:36	7:34	9:16
18	18	Fri	4:23	6:05	12:50	5:37	7:35	9:18
19	19	Sat	4:21	6:03	12:50	5:37	7:36	9:19
20	20	Sun	4:19	6:02	12:50	5:38	7:38	9:21
21	21	Mon	4:17	6:00	12:50	5:39	7:39	9:22
22	22	Tue	4:15	5:59	12:49	5:39	7:40	9:24
23	23	Wed	4:13	5:57	12:49	5:40	7:41	9:25
24	24	Thu	4:11	5:56	12:49	5:41	7:42	9:27
25	25	Fri	4:11	5:56	12:49	5:41	7:42	9:27
26	26	Sat	4:07	5:53	12:49	5:42	7:44	9:30
27	27	Sun	4:05	5:52	12:49	5:43	7:45	9:32
28	28	Mon	4:03	5:50	12:48	5:43	7:46	9:34
29	29	Tue	4:02	5:49	12:48	5:44	7:47	9:35

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