

Ahle Bait Pak (A.S) (Family members of the Holy Prophet, Peace be upon him)

Hazrat Khadija-bin-Khuwailid (R), the wife of the Holy Prophet (SA). was the first person to embrace Islam. The most respected, aristocratic and sagacious lady of the family of the Quraish was a boon for the Prophet (SA), confidante in adversity, a source of solace in bereavement and partner in life to share all sorrows, suffering and cruelties faced by the Prophet (SA). Often the Prophet (SA) used to remember her "as a partner in his days of adversity,"

She gave birth to two sons and four daughters of the Prophet (SA) among them, only Hazrat Syeda Fatima Tuz Zahra (A.S) survived, but she could not bear the separation of her beloved father for long and within three or six months of his demise she also left this world.

Hazrat Fatima-tuz-Zahra ,Saiyidatun-Nisa (A.S), also known as the 'Khatun-e-Jannat' 'Head of the Ladies in Paradise', was the most beloved daughter of the Prophet (SA), She was a cool headed, celebrated, accomplished and virtuous woman. She was with her father during all his years of persecution and torture perpetrated by the people of Mecca. At Medina also she silently suffered along with him. Hazrat Fatima (A.S), the upholder of truth, was a truthful, faithful and sincere lady for her husband Hazrat Ali ibn Abi Talib (AS) and support, comfort and consolation for her father, the Prophet of Islam during his preaching, suffering, bereavement etc.

The second person to embrace Islam was Hazrat Ali ibn-Abi Talib (AS), cousin of the Prophet (SA), who later on became his son in-law. Hazrat Ali (AS) is known by many titles like Amirul Mominin (the leader of the Muslim), Fourth Caliph, Lion of God and the Gate of Knowledge. He is also called the fountainhead of spiritualism. From his very birth to the demise of the Prophet (SA), he followed him most faithfully. After the martyrdom of Hazrat Uthman (R), he became the Caliph (656-661 A.D) till he was martyred on 21st of Ramadhan 661 A.D.

The Quran speaks about Ahl-ul-Bait (the people of the House of the Prophet) which includes Hazrat Ali (A.S), Hazrat Fatima (A.S), and their sons, Hazrat Imam Hasan (A.S) and Hazrat Imam Hussain (A.S), The Prophet (SA) says, "Fatima is the part of my body, he who anger her angers me." Hazrat Fatima (A.S) gave birth to two sons of Hazrat Ali (R). The Prophet (SA) named them Hazrat Hasan (A.S) and Hazrat Hussain (A.S) and kept them dearest to his heart. "They are the two leaders of the youth of Paradise" as the Prophet (SA) has described them. He exhorted the people. "I am at war with those who fight with them and at peace with those who remain in peace with them."

When the verse of "Mobahela" was revealed and God asked the Holy Prophet (SA) to challenge the Najran Christians and to say, "Come let us call our sons and your sons and our women and your women and our people and your people, then let us be earnest in prayer and pray for the curse of Allah on the liars", the Holy Prophet (SA) came with Hazrat Ali (A.S), Hazrat Fatima (A.S), Hazrat Hasan (A.S) and Hazrat Hussain (A.S) but the Christians fled away.

Both the grandsons of the Holy Prophet (SA), Imam Hasan (R) and Imam Hussain (R), passed their childhood in the lap of the Prophet (SA) and received training under his benign guidance. Gentle, sober and kind hearted, they were models of sacrifice for uprightness, justice and humanity. Imam Hasan (A.S) was poisoned under deep-rooted conspiracy of his enemies in 50

A.H/670 A.D and Imam Hussain (A.S) and his sons and family members were brutally murdered by Yazid at Karbala in 61 A.H/680 A.D. The two grandsons of the Prophet (SA) and their descendants inherited the noble qualities of spiritualism, grace, virtue of the great Prophet of Islam.

Imam Hussain (AS) sacrificed his life and also the lives of his family members to restore righteousness, virtue, love, affection, peace and order which was established by his revered grandfather, the Holy Prophet (SA) of Islam. His martyrdom was a vivid protest against Yazid, the greatest terrorist of the age whose sword had also terrorized the pious companions of the Prophet (SA).