

# SUMMER IMMERSION

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### Hijrah

- There were two hijrahs that took place to Abyssinia:
  - In the 7th year AH
  - A few years later, before the hijrah to Makkah
- The Prophet ﷺ asked Abu Bakr to stay back from going to Abyssinia during the second migration because he knew that he would be doing hijrah with him to Madinah.
- Abu Bakr was proactive
  - He prepared for the hijrah before he was instructed about the timing of it
  - He had two camels prepared
- The Prophet came to the house of Abu Bakr to inform him that they would be finally leaving together. The Prophet told Abu Bakr that he was given permission to make hijrah to Madinah. Abu Bakr, "Am I going to be your companion?" The Prophet said yes and Abu Bakr said, "Then, take one of these camels I prepared." The Prophet refused to take it for free and he paid for it.
  - In other narrations, it mentions that Abu Bakr cried out of happiness when the Prophet informed him of this. Aisha said she did not know that a person could cry out of happiness until she saw Abu Bakr on that day.

- The Prophet was wanted, so anyone with the Prophet would also be wanted. Abu Bakr knew this, but he was still happy. He understood the challenge and the sacrifice it was going to take, yet he was still overjoyed.
- The guide who was helping them migrate was someone who Abu Bakr had freed earlier. His name was Amir ibn Fuhayrah.
  - This shows that Allah does not waste the reward of the ones who do good.
  - Abu Bakr got to see a product of his generosity.
- The Prophet and Abu Bakr went to the Cave of Thawr first
  - This was a route that was least traveled upon because it was out of the way to Madinah.
- Abu Bakr would walk behind the Prophet, in front of him, to his right, and to his left. The Prophet asked him why he was moving in this way and Abu Bakr said, "I fear that someone will attack you from the back, so I go to the back. Then, I fear that someone will attack you from the front, so I got to the front."
  - Abu Bakr was very brave and courageous
- Abu Bakr carried the Prophet on his back up the mountain to the cave of Thawr.
- Abu Bakr asked the Prophet if he could go in first to prepare it for the Prophet. He cleaned up the cave and patched up the holes inside with his shirt so that no animals would come out of them. There was one hole that he did not have enough cloth to cover, so he put his heel over the hole to cover it. The Prophet was resting on Abu Bakr's thigh and Abu Bakr was stung in his heel by a scorpion. He was stung multiple times, but he did not move. The only thing that woke up the Prophet was the tears of Abu Bakr dropping on his face. Abu Bakr told the Prophet that he was stung and the Prophet put some of his saliva on the area. Abu Bakr said he never felt pain in that area again.

- In some isra’ili narrations, it mentions that the scorpion that stung him was from the time of Musa. The scorpion knew that a final prophet was coming and asked Allah for enough life to see his face. When the Prophet was finally there, Abu Bakr's foot was blocking the scorpion from seeing him. So, the scorpion did not want to harm Abu Bakr. It just wanted to see the Prophet ﷺ.
- They spent three days in the cave
- Abu Bakr said, "I saw the feet of the mushrikin above our heads while we were in the cave. I said, 'O Messenger of Allah! If one of them looks down, he will see us.' The Prophet ﷺ said, 'O Abu Bakr! What do you think of two people who Allah is the third of them?'"
- Surah Tawbah, Ayah 40 mentions this incident
  - There is no other companion who is mentioned using the word صاحب other than Abu Bakr.
- Sufyan ibn Uyayna said that whoever rejects the companionship of Abu Bakr rejects the Quran.
- Asmaa would bring food to them while they were in the cave
- On the way to Madinah, they stopped at the house of Umm Ma‘bad.
  - She welcomed them into their house
  - The Prophet asked her if she had any cattle that could provide them with milk. She told him that she has one but it does not produce any milk. The Prophet asked her to bring it to them.
  - The Prophet rubbed it and made dua and milk began to flow from the animal. The Prophet gave some milk to Abu Bakr to drink and Abu Bakr told him to drink first. He did this three times until the Prophet finally drank first. Abu Bakr said, "My beloved drank until I even became full."

- They stopped at Masjid al-Quba' on the way there and stayed for 14 days waiting for Ali.
  - Ali had stayed back in Makkah to take care of the Prophet's affairs.
  - The Prophet wanted to wait for Ali to reach Madinah before they enter.
- They washed up and wore new clothes before entering
  - This is a sunnah of the Prophet to meet people who have been waiting for him in a presentable manner
- They entered Madinah on a Friday
- When people first saw Abu Bakr and the Prophet, they could not tell which one of them was the Prophet.
  - True love for someone is about trying to emulate them

## **The Battle of Badr**

- Abu Bakr never missed a battle at the time of the Prophet
- In the battle of Badr, he was the first one to stand to support the Prophet.
  - When the Prophet first heard of the caravan of Quraysh and realized that there could be a potential battle happening, he asked the sahaba for their thoughts. He asked, "Who will support me?" and Abu Bakr stood up first.
- Before the battle, the Prophet was worried because of the large number of mushrikun against them. He stood up and made a very intense and emotional dua asking Allah for help. His hands were raised above his head and the rida' he had on his shoulders fell back. Abu Bakr saw this and hugged the Prophet from his back and said, "O Messenger of Allah, you have done enough. Allah will be enough for you."
  - Abu Bakr comforted the Prophet

- Abu Bakr was always next to the Prophet in battles
- Ali said that there were two instances that made Abu Bakr stronger than him.
  - When Abu Bakr climbed the mountain of Thawr with the Prophet
  - When Abu Bakr defended the Prophet in the battle of Badr