

Ramadan Immersion



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Hadith #2

- The narrator of this hadith is Abdullah ibn Abbas (RA)
- The Prophet (SAW) was the most generous person, and he was even more generous in Ramadan
 - The Prophet (SAW) never said “no” when he was asked for something
 - The Prophet (SAW) was generous overall - with his knowledge, time, attention, etc.
 - Allah (SWT) had to remind him (SAW) to not be too generous
- Jibreel (AS) would meet Prophet (SAW) every night of Ramadan
 - The nights of Ramadan are greater and more special than the days
 - It is important to recite Qur’an during the nights of Ramadan in particular
- There are two main methods of Qur’an transmission:
- اقرأ
 - This is when the Prophet (SAW) recited Qur’an to a companion who recited the same thing back to him
- يعرض
 - This was when a companion recited what they previously learnt from the Prophet (SAW) to verify
 - This was the primary method of transmitting the Qur’an
- The most common way the Prophet (SAW) would recite Qur’an with Jibreel (AS) is repetition - Jibreel (AS) would recite, and then the Prophet (SAW) would recite it back to him

- The example used in the hadith compares the Prophet's (SAW) generosity with fast wind
 - His generosity would make people feel good
- Every good deed is multiplied in Ramadan, including generosity
- When someone is in a good mood, it's easier to give
 - The Prophet (SAW) felt amazing when Jibreel (AS) would visit him so often
 - The joy the Prophet (SAW) felt was through his spiritual connection to Allah through Jibreel (AS)

Hadith #3

- This was narrated by Masrooq from Abdullah ibn 'Amr (RA)
 - Masrooq was the adopted son of Aisha (RA)
 - The name Masrooq means 'abducted' - he was stolen and found later
 - Masrooq says that he grew up under Aisha (RA) during the time of Abu Bakr (RA)
 - He analyzed all the sahaba and found all of the knowledge with six people primarily: Ali (RA), Umar (RA), Abdullah ibn Masud (RA), Zaid ibn Thabit (RA), Ubayy ibn Kab (RA), and Abu Dardaa (RA)
 - Amongst these people, two of them had it all: Ali (RA) and Ibn Masud (RA)
 - Masrooq's wife would cry when he prayed tahajjud because his feet would swell
 - There is a famous statement from him - "It is enough for a person to be called a scholar if they fear Allah (SWT). It is enough for a person to be called ignorant if they are amazed by their own deeds."
 - Abdullah ibn 'Amr (RA) mentions his love for Ibn Masud before narrating the hadith

- The Prophet (SAW) said to learn the Qur'an from four sahaba. Abdullah ibn Masud is amongst them
- Ibn Masud accepted Islam after a miracle of the Prophet (SAW). He (SAW) milked a goat that had no milk after saying "bismillah"
 - Ibn Masud was amazed at the miracle and wanted to learn more about Islam
 - The Prophet (SAW) touched his head and told him: You are a small, intelligent young boy.
 - There are many miracles and blessings that came out of the Prophet's (SAW) hands
- Abdullah ibn Masud (RA) was amongst the group of people that the disbelievers of Quraysh looked down upon
 - They requested to have their own time with the Prophet (SAW) void of the presence of the poor believers
 - The Prophet (SAW) considered doing this in order to help them accept Islam
 - Allah (SWT) revealed not to accept this request so that he (SAW) wouldn't turn away the strong believers
 - This is Surah An'am Ayah 52

وَلَا تَطْرُدِ الَّذِينَ يَدْعُونَ رَبَّهُمْ بِالْغَدَاةِ وَالْعَشِيِّ يُرِيدُونَ وَجْهَهُۥٓ

Do not dismiss those (poor believers) who invoke their Lord morning and evening, seeking His pleasure.

- Ibn Masud was so close to the Prophet (SAW) that others would think he was a part of the Prophet's (SAW) family
- Muadh ibn Jabal (RA) and Salim (RA) dedicated their lives to Islam
- Once, the Prophet (SAW) told Ubayy ibn Kab (RA) that Allah told him (SAW) to recite Qur'an to Ubayy
 - Ubayy asked him (SAW): Did Allah say my name?
 - When the Prophet (SAW) said yes, Ubayy weeped out of the excitement of Allah mentioning him by name

- When it comes to learning the din, learn it from the right people
 - In teachers of din, we should look for good character, actions that align with their words, and the ability to trace back their teachers
 - Learning from the wrong people can be toxic

Hadith #4

- This hadith is narrated by Abdullah ibn Masud (RA)
 - He is inseparable from his immense knowledge of the Qur'an
- Ibn Masud (RA) heard and learnt seventy surahs directly from the Prophet (SAW)
- In one incident, The Prophet (SAW) asked Ibn Masud to recite Qur'an to him.
 - Ibn Masud asked: Should I recite it to you and it was revealed to you? The Prophet (SAW) said that he liked to hear the Qur'an from someone else.
 - Ibn Masud recited Surah Nisaa until the ayah:

فَكَيْفَ إِذَا جِئْنَا مِنْ كُلِّ أُمَّةٍ بِشَهِيدٍ وَجِئْنَا بِكَ عَلَى هَؤُلَاءِ شَهِيدًا

So how will it be when We bring a witness from every faith-community and bring you (O Prophet) as a witness against yours.

- When Ibn Masud (RA) was told by the Prophet (SAW) to make a dua and it would be accepted, he made this dua:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ إِيمَانًا لَا يَرْتَدُّ وَ نَعِيمًا لَا يَنْفَدُ وَ مُرَافَقَةً مُحَمَّدٍ فِي أَعْلَى جَنَّةِ الْخُلْدِ

O Allah, I ask you for firm faith that does not revert, and bliss that never ends, and then companionship of Muhammad at the highest (level) of eternal Paradise.

- The Prophet (SAW) said that Ibn Masud's (RA) recitation of Qur'an was the way it was revealed to him (SAW) through Jibreel (AS).
 - Umar (RA) went to tell Ibn Masud about this compliment, only to find out that Abu Bakr (RA) had already told him.
 - In our tradition, we are encouraged to give good news to people and spread positivity