

THE GREAT LIGHT

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(Mohammad's
Wisdom)

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**This is my present
to every Muslim
girl and boy all
around the world.**

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Mohammad (may peace be upon him) was well known in Makkah. All Quraish respected him for his truthfulness, honesty, and his fair judgement.

When Mohammad was about thirty five years old, people in Makkah decided to rebuild Kaaba. They worked seriously for days.

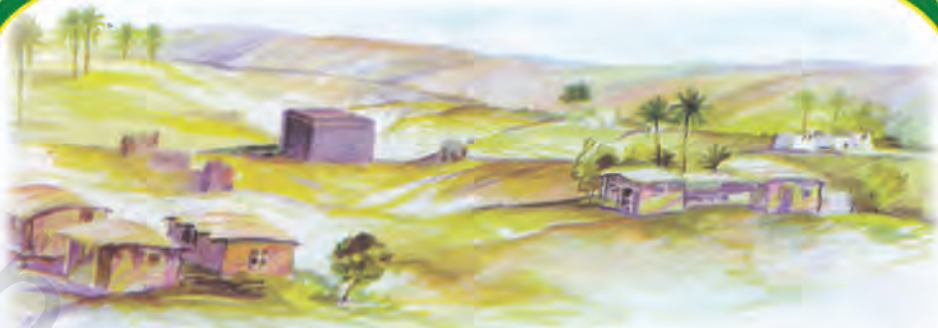
كَانَ مُحَمَّدٌ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - مَعْرُوفًا فِي مَكَّةَ؛
يَحْتَرِمُهُ الْجَمِيعُ لِيَصْدَقَهُ وَأَمَانَتِهِ وَعَدْلِهِ. وَعِنْدَمَا كَانَ فِي
الْخَامِسَةِ وَالثَّلَاثِينَ مِنْ عُمْرِهِ، قَرَّرَ أَهْلُ مَكَّةَ إِعَادَةَ بِنَاءِ الْكَعْبَةِ،
فَعَمَلُوا بِجِدٍّ لِعِدَّةِ أَيَّامٍ.



After the work was finished ,the tribes could not agree as to which tribe should have the honor to put the **Black Stone** in its place.

While they were arguing among themselves, one of them said: " Instead of quarreling who should have the honor of setting the **Black Stone** in its place, let us agree on one thing".

وَبَعْدَ انْتِهَاءِ الْعَمَلِ، اخْتَلَفَتِ الْقَبَائِلُ حَوْلَ مَنْ يَنَالُ شَرَفَ وَضْعِ الْحَجَرِ الْأَسْوَدِ فِي مَكَانِهِ، وَأَثْنَاءَ جَدَالِهِمْ، قَالَ وَاحِدٌ مِنْهُمْ: "بَدَلًا مِنَ الْعِرَاكِ حَوْلَ مَنْ يَنَالُ شَرَفَ وَضْعِ الْحَجَرِ الْأَسْوَدِ فِي مَكَانِهِ، عَلَيْنَا أَنْ نَتَّفِقَ عَلَى شَيْءٍ وَاحِدٍ".



Every body became quiet as he continued: "We will wait until the frist persone passes by here. We will ask his opinion, and all of us will listen to his suggestion".

This seemed reasonable and every one agree.

They waited to see who would pass by.

وَأَنْصَتَ الْجَمِيعُ إِلَى كَلَامِ الرَّجُلِ الَّذِي أَضَافَ: "عَلَيْنَا أَنْ نَنْتَظِرَ حَتَّى يَمُرَّ عَلَيْنَا أَوَّلُ قَادِمٍ وَنَسْأَلَهُ رَأْيَهُ، وَعَلَيْنَا جَمِيعًا أَنْ نَقْبَلَ اقْتِرَاحَهُ". وَافَقَ الْجَمِيعُ عَلَى هَذَا الرَّأْيِ، وَانْتَظَرُوا مَنْ سَيَكُونُ أَوَّلَ قَادِمٍ.



After a few minutes, **Mohammad** was walking by. All of them started shouting together: "**Tis is the honest man, Mohammad**".

They toled him the problem and asked him for advice. **Mohammad** thought for a while. All the tribes were looking at him to see which tribe he would grant the honor.

وَبَعْدَ عِدَّةٍ دَقَائِقَ، دَخَلَ مُحَمَّدٌ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ -
فَصَاحُوا جَمِيعًا فَرَحِينَ لَمَّا رَأَوْهُ: "هَذَا هُوَ الْأَمِينُ مُحَمَّدٌ".
وَذَكَرُوا لَهُ الْمَشْكِلَةَ، وَطَلَبُوا مِنْهُ الْمَشُورَةَ، فَفَكَّرَ مُحَمَّدٌ
لِلْحِظَةِ، وَهُمْ يَنْتَظِرُونَ حُكْمَهُ؛ يُرِيدُونَ أَنْ يَعْرِفُوا أَيَّ قَبِيلَةٍ
سَيَخْتَارُهَا مُحَمَّدٌ لِحُوزِ هَذَا الشَّرَفِ.



Mohammad spread his cloak on the ground and put the **Black Stone** on it.

Then he asked one person from each tribe to hold a corner of the cloak.

Thus, they all shared the honor of carrying the **Black Stone**.

بَسَطَ مُحَمَّدٌ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - عِبَائَتَهُ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ
وَوَضَعَ الْحَجَرَ الْأَسْوَدَ عَلَيْهَا، وَطَلَبَ أَنْ يُمَسِكَ وَاحِدٌ مِنْ
كُلِّ قَبِيلَةٍ بِطَرَفِ الْعِبَاءَةِ؛ وَبِذَلِكَ شَارَكَتْ جَمِيعُ الْقَبَائِلِ فِي
شَرَفِ حَمْلِ الْحَجَرِ الْأَسْوَدِ.



When they reached the place where the stone was to be put, **Mohammad** himself took the Black Stone and set it on its place. Everybody became happy. This way, he taught them the joy of sharing and team work.

Mohammad with his wisdom solved the problem which may have caused a fight among the tribes of **Makkah**.

وَحِينَمَا وَصَلُوا إِلَى مَكَانِ الْحَجَرِ، أَمْسَكَ **مُحَمَّدٌ** الْحَجَرَ،
وَوَضَعَهُ فِي مَكَانِهِ، وَكَانَ الْجَمِيعُ رَاضِينَ سَعْدَاءَ بِهَذَا الْحَلِّ.
وَهَكَذَا عَلَّمَهُمْ **مُحَمَّدٌ** - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - مُتَعَةً
مُشَارَكَةِ الْآخَرِينَ وَالْعَمَلَ الْجَمَاعِيَّ. وَاسْتَطَاعَ **مُحَمَّدٌ** بِحِكْمَتِهِ
أَنْ يَحُلَّ الْمُسْكِلَةَ الَّتِي كَادَتْ تُسَبِّبُ صِرَاعًا بَيْنَ قَبَائِلِ مَكَّةَ.



Mohammad had all the respect and admiration of the people in **Makkah**. He was successful in his work, satisfied and happy with his wife, **Khadija**, and his children.

However, deep inside, he was unhappy with the way people lived.

كَانَ مُحَمَّدٌ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - يَنَالُ احْتِرَامَ
وَإِعْجَابَ أَهْلِ مَكَّةَ، وَكَانَ نَاجِحًا فِي عَمَلِهِ، رَاضِيًا سَعِيدًا
مَعَ زَوْجَتِهِ السَّيِّدَةِ خَدِيجَةَ وَأَبْنَائِهِ. وَرَغْمَ ذَلِكَ، لَمْ يَكُنْ
رَاضِيًا عَنِ الْحَيَاةِ الَّتِي يَحْيَاهَا النَّاسُ مِنْ حَوْلِهِ.



Most of time, the people in **Makkah** were fighting one another, cheating in business, taking money from the weak, getting drunk, and behaving badly.

What bothered him most was to see people ask the idols (gods they made!) for help. The idols were not able to help them.

فَفِي أَغْلَبِ الْأَحْيَانِ كَانَ أَهْلُ مَكَّةَ يَتَعَارَكُونَ، وَيَغْشَوْنَ فِي
تِجَارَتِهِمْ، وَيَغْتَصِبُونَ مَالَ الضَّعِيفِ، وَيَشْرَبُونَ الْخَمْرَ،
وَيَتَعَامَلُونَ بِقَسْوَةٍ. وَكَانَ أَكْثَرُ مَا أَرْعَجَ **مُحَمَّدًا** أَنْ يَرَى النَّاسَ
يَطْلُبُونَ الْعَوْنَ مِنَ الْأَصْنَامِ (الَّتِي صَنَعُوهَا لِيَعْبُدُوهَا) وَهَذِهِ
الْأَصْنَامُ - طَبْعًا - غَيْرُ قَادِرَةٍ عَلَى مُسَاعَدَتِهِمْ.



He thought that the people in **Makkah** and other **Arab** tribes in the area needed to change their bad habits. But he did not know how it was possible for people to change. Up in the mountains, far from **Makkah** there was a cave called **Cave Hira**.

أَذْرَكَ مُحَمَّدٌ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - أَنَّ النَّاسَ فِي
مَكَّةَ وَالْقَبَائِلِ الْمُجَاوِرَةِ فِي حَاجَةٍ إِلَى تَغْيِيرِ عَادَاتِهِمْ
السَّيِّئَةِ، وَلَكِنَّهُ لَمْ يَعْرِفْ كَيْفَ يَأْتِي هَذَا التَّغْيِيرُ. وَكَانَ
فِي أَعْلَى الْجِبَالِ بَعِيدًا عَنِ مَكَّةَ غَارٌ اسْمُهُ (غَارُ حِرَاءِ).



Mohammad, started to go to **Cave Hira**, thinking about everything he saw around him. He would spend many days and nights alone there.

Khadija noticed tha **Mohammad** was gradually spending more and more time up the mountains alone. He was taking enough food for him.

بَدَأَ مُحَمَّدٌ يَذْهَبُ إِلَى غَارِ حِرَاءٍ، يُفَكِّرُ فِي كُلِّ مَا يَرَاهُ حَوْلَهُ،
وَكَانَ يَقْضِي أَيَّامًا وَلَيَالِي وَحِيدًا هُنَاكَ. وَلَا حَظَّتْ خَدِيجَةُ
أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا يَقْضِي وَقْتًا طَوِيلًا فِي الْجِبَالِ وَحِيدًا، وَكَانَ يَأْخُذُ
مِنَ الطَّعَامِ مَا يَكْفِيهِ لِمُدَّةٍ طَوِيلَةٍ.



He was living with nature, feeding the birds and other small animals, and watching creatures around him.

By and by, **Mohammad** spent longer and longer time in **Cave Hira**. Sometimes he spent a whole month there.

كَانَ مُحَمَّدٌ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - يَتَأَمَّلُ الطَّبِيعَةَ،
وَيُطْعِمُ الطُّيُورَ وَالْحَيَوَانَاتِ الصَّغِيرَةَ، وَيَتَأَمَّلُ عَجَائِبَ
الْمَخْلُوقَاتِ مِنْ حَوْلِهِ وَأَصْبَحَ يَقْضِي وَقْتًا أَطْوَلَ فِي غَارِ
حِرَاءٍ، وَأَحْيَانًا كَانَ يَقْضِي شَهْرًا كَامِلًا هُنَاكَ.



Khadija, his wife, and **Abu Bakr**, his best friend were worried about him. They both were wondering what **Mohammad** was doing up in the mountains?

Mohammad had many questions on his mind. He was thinking about the world around him.

وَكَانَتْ زَوْجَتُهُ **خَدِيجَةَ**، وَكَذَلِكَ صَدِيقُهُ الْمُخْلِصُ
أَبُو بَكْرٍ قَلَقَيْنِ عَلَيْهِ، كَانَا يَتَسَاءَلَانِ: مَاذَا يَفْعَلُ **مُحَمَّدٌ** -
صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - فِي الْجِبَالِ؟! وَكَانَ هُنَاكَ أَسْئَلَةً عَدِيدَةً
تَدُورُ فِي رَأْسِ **مُحَمَّدٍ**، وَكَانَ يُفَكِّرُ فِي الْكُونِ مِنْ حَوْلِهِ.



What was botherind him the most was that people were busy worshipping idols. Ther were many idols in **Kaaba**. He thoughtet the idols could not help any one. He knew the story that **Kaaba** was built by **Ibrahim**, father of the prophets, and was a holy place. How did worshipping idols started?!

وَكَانَ أَكْثَرُ مَا يُضَايِقُهُ أَنْ يَرَى النَّاسَ يَعْبُدُونَ الْأَصْنَامَ؛ فَقَدْ
كَانَ فِي الْكَعْبَةِ الْعَدِيدُ مِنَ الْأَصْنَامِ. وَكَانَ **صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ**
يَعْتَقِدُ أَنَّ هَذِهِ الْأَصْنَامَ لَا تَسْتَطِيعُ مُسَاعَدَةَ أَحَدٍ. وَكَانَ يَعْرِفُ
أَنَّ **إِبْرَاهِيمَ** أَبَا الْأَنْبِيَاءِ - **عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ** - بَنَى هَذِهِ الْكَعْبَةَ، وَأَنَّهَا
مَكَانٌ مُقَدَّسٌ، فَكَيْفَ بَدَأَتْ عِبَادَةُ الْأَصْنَامِ؟!



His wife, his friends, and relatives were wondering what had happened to **Mohammad**. But only those who had read the holy books (**Tawra and Ingeel**) had an idea that maybe **Mohammad** was the "**Expected Messenger**" that these books mentioned.

كَانَتْ زَوْجَةُ مُحَمَّدٍ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - وَأَصْدِقَاؤُهُ وَأَقَارِبُهُ
مُتَعَجِّبِينَ مِمَّا حَدَّثَ لِمُحَمَّدٍ، لَكِنَّ الَّذِينَ قَرَأُوا الْكُتُبَ
الْمُقَدَّسَةَ (التَّوْرَةَ وَالْإِنْجِيلَ) كَانُوا يَعْرِفُونَ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا رُبَّمَا
يَكُونُ هُوَ (النَّبِيُّ الْمُنْتَظَرُ) الَّذِي بَشَّرَتْ بِهِ هَذِهِ الْكُتُبُ.