

THE GREAT LIGHT

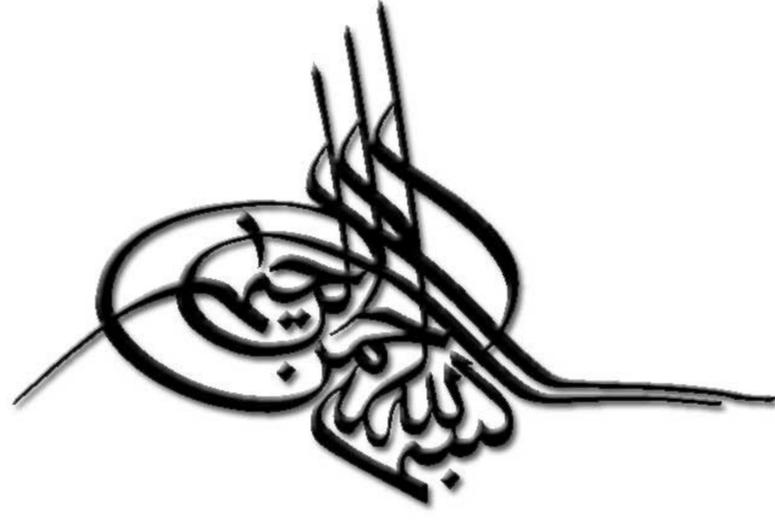
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(Who is Prophet
Mohammad?)

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

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In the middle of the **Arabian** desert, more than one thousand years ago, there was a great trib named **Quraish** who livwd in an old city called **Makkah**. **Quriash** is the tribe of **Prophet Mohammad** (may peace be upon him)

فِي وَسْطِ الصَّحْرَاءِ الْعَرَبِيَّةِ، مُنْذُ أَكْثَرُ مِنْ أَلْفِ عَامٍ،
عَاشَتْ قَبِيلَةٌ كَبِيرَةٌ اسْمُهَا (قُرَيْشٌ) فِي مَدِينَةِ (مَكَّةَ)
وَقُرَيْشٌ هِيَ قَبِيلَةُ النَّبِيِّ مُحَمَّدٍ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ -



Mohammed's grandfather, Abdul Muttalib, was the chief of Quraish, People loved and respected him.

He had ten sons. The youngest son, Abdullah, was The Proophet Mohammed's father.

وَكَانَ عَبْدُ الْمُطَّلِبِ جَدُّ مُحَمَّدٍ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ -
سَيِّدُ (قُرَيْشٍ)، وَكَانَ النَّاسُ يُحِبُّونَهُ وَيَحْتَرِمُونَهُ.
وَكَانَ لِعَبْدِ الْمُطَّلِبِ عَشْرَةُ أَبْنَاءٍ، أَصْغَرُهُمْ عَبْدُ اللَّهِ
وَالِدُ النَّبِيِّ مُحَمَّدٍ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ -



Abdullah married a kind girl from **Quraish** called **Amena Bent Wahb**.

Abdul Muttalib made a wedding party for them.

Amena was very happy with her husband, **Abdullah**.

تَزَوَّجَ عَبْدُ اللَّهِ مِنْ فَتَاةٍ طَيِّبَةٍ مِنْ قُرَيْشٍ، اسْمُهَا (آمِنَةُ
بِنْتُ وَهْبٍ)، وَأَقَامَ عَبْدُ الْمُطَّلِبِ حَفْلَ زِفَافٍ لَهُمَا.
وَكَانَتْ آمِنَةُ سَعِيدَةً بِزَوَاجِهَا مِنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ.



Soon after **Abdullah** married **Amena** (**Mohammad's** mother), he went on a business trip to **Bilad-Ashaam**. On his way back, he became sick and could not continue the journey. His friends left him in **Yathreb (Madinah)** with his relatives (his mother's family). They would take care of him until he felt better and was able to continue the journey.

وَبَعْدَ أَشْهُرٍ قَلِيلَةٍ مِنْ زَوَاجِ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بِأَمْنَةَ سَافَرَ مَعَ قَافِلَةٍ إِلَى
بِلَادِ الشَّامِ. وَفِي طَرِيقِ عَوْدَتِهِ إِلَى مَكَّةَ أَصَابَهُ مَرَضٌ شَدِيدٌ، وَلَمْ
يَسْتَطِعْ اسْتِكْمَالَ الرَّحْلَةِ. فَتَرَكَهُ أَصْحَابُهُ فِي يَثْرَبَ (الْمَدِينَةِ)
عِنْدَ أَخْوَالِهِ؛ لِيَرْعُوهُ حَتَّى يُشْفَى، وَيَسْتَطِيعَ اسْتِكْمَالَ رِحْلَتِهِ.



However, **Abdullah's** health became worse. Soon after, he died leaving his young wife waiting for him in **Makkah**.

Amena, who was pregnant, cried very much when she heard of her husband's death. She felt sad and lonely.

وَاشْتَدَّ مَرَضُ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ، فَضَعُفَتْ صِحَّتُهُ، ثُمَّ مَاتَ بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ تَارِكًا زَوْجَتَهُ الشَّابَّةَ تَنْتَظِرُهُ فِي مَكَّةَ.
كَانَتْ آمِنَةُ تَنْتَظِرُ مَوْلُودًا، وَعِنْدَمَا عَلِمَتْ بِمَوْتِ زَوْجِهَا، بَكَتْ بُكَاءً شَدِيدًا وَأَحْسَتْ بِالْحُزْنِ وَالْوَحْدَةِ.



On night, **Amena** had a beautiful dream. She dreamed of a great light coming out of her tummy shining all the way to the places in **Bilad-Ashaam (syria)**. After the dream she slept peacefully.

وَفِي إِحْدَى اللَّيَالِي، رَأَتْ **آمِنَةُ** حُلْمًا جَمِيلًا، رَأَتْ
نُورًا عَظِيمًا يَشِعُّ مِنْ بَطْنِهَا وَيَكْبُرُ، حَتَّى أَضَاءَ قُصُورَ
الشَّامِ، وَنَامَتْ بَعْدَ هَذَا الْحُلْمِ نَوْمًا عَمِيقًا هَادِنًا.



The next morning, **Amena** told her father-in-law, **Abdul Muttalib**, about her dream. He became happy and kept waiting for the birth of his grand-child whom he expected to have a great future.

وَفِي صَبَاحِ الْيَوْمِ التَّالِي، أُخْبِرَتْ **أَمِنَةُ** حَمَاهَا **عَبْدُ**
الْمُطَّلِبِ بِالْحُلْمِ الْجَمِيلِ، فَأَصْبَحَ سَعِيدًا، وَانْتَظَرَ
حَفِيدَهُ الَّذِي كَانَ يَتَوَقَّعُ لَهُ مُسْتَقْبَلًا عَظِيمًا.



When **Amena** felt that she was going to have the baby, she looked at the sky and remembered her dream.

Amena was both crying and smiling. She was crying because her baby's father had died, and she was smiling because of that unforgettable dream that her son would have a great future. That, our **Prophet** was born.

وَلَمَّا شَعَرَتْ **آمِنَةٌ** بِأَنَّهَا سَتَلِدُ، نَظَرَتْ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ، وَتَذَكَّرَتْ
الْحُلْمَ. كَانَتْ **آمِنَةٌ** تَبْكِي وَتَبْتَسِمُ فِي آنٍ وَاحِدٍ؛ تَبْكِي لِمَوْتِ وَالِدِ
طِفْلِهَا، وَتَبْتَسِمُ فَرِحَةً بِحُلْمِهَا الَّذِي لَا يُنْسَى وَبِأَنَّ وَلَدَهَا سَيَكُونُ
لَهُ مُسْتَقْبَلٌ عَظِيمٌ. هَكَذَا وُلِدَ **رَسُولُنَا الْكَرِيمِ** - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ -



Amena sent Um-Ayman, the nanny, to tell Abdul Muttalib the good news.

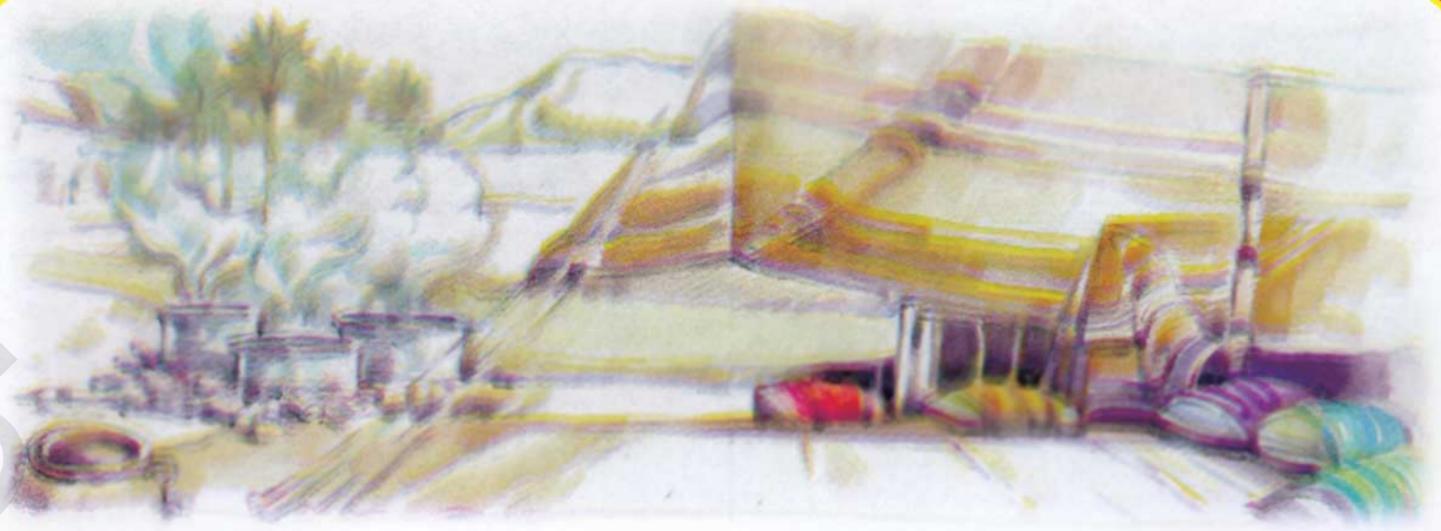
Abdul Muttalib immediately came to see his newly born grandson.

He felt so grateful, that he took the little baby to the Holy kaaba, and he named him Mohammad.

أَرْسَلَتْ أَمِنَةُ الْحَاضِنَةَ أُمَّ أَيْمَانَ إِلَى جَدِّهِ لِتُخْبِرَهُ بِالْخَبْرِ الْجَمِيلِ.

فَرِحَ عَبْدُ الْمُطَّلِبِ أَشَدَّ الْفَرَحِ، وَأَسْرَعَ لِيَرَى حَفِيدَهُ، ثُمَّ حَمَلَ

الطِّفْلَ وَأَسْرَعَ بِهِ إِلَى الْكَعْبَةِ يَطُوفُ بِهِ، وَسَمَّاهُ مُحَمَّدًا.



When **Mohammad** was one week old, his grandfather, **Abdul Motalib**, gave a big feast, inviting all the **Quraish** nobility.

During his festivity, **Abdul Motalib** was asked: "What is the baby's name?". He answered: "**Mohammad**". With surprise, they asked: "Why didn't you give him a common name we use in **Quraish**?".

وَعِنْدَمَا أَتَمَّ مُحَمَّدٌ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - الْأُسْبُوعَ الْأَوَّلَ مِنْ عُمُرِهِ، أَقَامَ جَدُّهُ وَلِيْمَةً كَبِيرَةً دَعَا إِلَيْهَا الْأَقَارِبَ، وَأَشْرَافَ قُرَيْشٍ، وَأَتْنَاءِ الْوَلِيْمَةِ، سَأَلُوهُ: مَا اسْمُ الرَّضِيعِ؟ فَأَجَابَ: مُحَمَّدًا. وَسَأَلَهُ الْقَوْمُ: لِمَاذَا لَمْ تُسَمِّهِ اسْمًا مِنَ الْأَسْمَاءِ الشَّائِعَةِ فِي قُرَيْشٍ؟



Abdul Muttalib answered: " I named him **Mohammad (the Praised)** because I want him to be the praised one on **Earth**". **Quraish** men looked at one another and gathered that **Abdul Muttalib** had a feeling that his grandson was the "**Expected Prophet**" that many people talked about.

أَجَابَهُمْ عَبْدُ الْمُطَّلِبِ : " سَمَّيْتُهُ مُحَمَّدًا لِأَنِّي أُرِيدُ أَنْ
يَكُونَ مَحْمُودًا فِي السَّمَاءِ وَفِي الْأَرْضِ ". فَنَظَرَ الرَّجَالُ
بَعْضُهُمْ إِلَى بَعْضٍ، وَأَحْسَبُوا بِأَنَّ عَبْدَ الْمُطَّلِبِ يَعْتَقِدُ أَنَّ
حَفِيدَهُ هُوَ النَّبِيُّ الْمُنْتَظَرُ، الَّذِي يَتَحَدَّثُ عَنْهُ النَّاسُ.



It was customary for the well-off families to send their babies to wet nurses in **Badia** . **Halima Assadia**, a wet nurse, was asked to take care of **Mohammad**. When she saw **Mohammad**, She liked him . She asked her husband : He seeme like a blessed child. Shall we take him? he said: Let us take him. Maybe he will bring us blessing and good fortune.

وَكَانَ مِنْ عَادَةِ أَشْرَافِ قُرَيْشٍ أَنْ يُرْسَلُوا الْأَطْفَالَ مَعَ الْمُرْضِعَاتِ
إِلَى الْبَادِيَةِ ؛ لِيُصْبِحُوا أَصِحَّاءَ . وَلَمَّا دَخَلَتْ الْمُرْضِعَةُ **حَلِيمَةُ**
السَّعْدِيَّةُ عِنْدَ **آمِنَةَ** وَرَأَتْ **مُحَمَّدًا** ؛ أَحَبَّتْهُ وَقَالَتْ لِزَوْجِهَا : إِنَّهُ يَبْدُو
رَضِيعًا مُبَارَكًا . هَلْ نَأْخُذُهُ مَعَنَا؟ فَقَالَ زَوْجُهَا لَهَا : اأَحْمِلِيهِ يَا
حَلِيمَةُ ، لَعَلَّهُ يَجْلِبُ لَنَا الْخَيْرَ وَالْبَرَكَاتَةَ .



Halima took the baby **Mohammad** to **Badia** and nursed him with her own little boy. She felt that she had more than enough milk for both of them. in the clean and fresh air of **Badia, Halima raised Mohammad** as a strong and healthy boy.

وَأَخَذَتْ حَلِيمَةُ الطُّفْلَ الرَّضِيعَ مُحَمَّدًا - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - وَأَرْضَعَتْهُ مَعَ ابْنِهَا، وَأَحَسَّتْ بِأَنَّ تَدْيِيهَا يَفِضَانِ لَبَنًا يَكْفِي مُحَمَّدًا - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - وَابْنَهَا. وَفِي أَحْضَانِ الْبَادِيَةِ وَالْهَوَاءِ النَّقِيِّ؛ كَبُرَ مُحَمَّدٌ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - وَكَانَتْ حَلِيمَةُ تَرْعَاهُ وَتَحْنُو عَلَيْهِ، وَأَصْبَحَ قَوِيَّ الْجِسْمِ، وَبِصِحَّةٍ جَيِّدَةٍ.



As a little boy **Mohammad** played with children in **Badaia**, but **Halima** was always worried about him. Strangers who saw him would say: This little boy has a great future. She was afraid that someone would hurt him. So, she returned him to his mother when he was about three years old.

كَانَ مُحَمَّدٌ - صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - يَلْعَبُ مَعَ الْأَطْفَالِ فِي الْبَادِيَةِ،
ثُمَّ قَرَّرَتْ حَلِيمَةُ أَنْ تَعُودَ بِهِ إِلَى أُمِّهِ؛ لِأَنَّهَا تَخْشَى عَلَيْهِ مِنَ
الْغُرَبَاءِ الَّذِينَ كَانُوا يَقُولُونَ: إِنَّ لِهَذَا الطِّفْلِ مُسْتَقْبَلًا عَظِيمًا.
فَأَعَادَتْهُ إِلَى أُمِّهِ فِي مَكَّةَ وَهُوَ فِي الثَّلَاثَةِ مِنْ عُمُرِهِ.