

INTRODUCTION

Under the dark skies of Khaybar, after the clashing swords had quieted and a decisive battle between the Jews and Muslims ended with the victory of 1,800 Muslim fighters over 10,000 Jewish fighters, the plots began to thicken.

What they could not take by force, they sought to obtain through conspiracy!

THE DEEP HATRED AND THE POISONED SHEEP

Zaynab bint al-Harith, a Jewish woman known for her cooking skills, wandered through Khaybar searching for the Prophet until she was directed to him.

She asked, “What is the most beloved food to him?”
They replied, “The shoulder of lamb.”

She immediately went to a sheep, slaughtered it, cooked it, and prepared it in the best way possible.

Then, she invited the Prophet and his companions to dine.

One of the ingredients she added to the dish was a lethal poison that would destroy the intestines as soon as it reached them.

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However, Allah revealed to him that the lamb was poisoned, and he immediately stopped the companions from eating. One of them had already swallowed a piece, and the poison entered his body, causing him to die.

The Prophet ﷺ called for the woman and asked her why she had done such a thing.

With hatred in her voice, she replied:
“I wanted to see if you were truly a prophet; if you were a prophet, it wouldn’t harm you, and if you were just a king, we would have been rid of you.”

She intended to test whether he was truly a prophet. If the poison did not harm him, he was a prophet; if he died, they would be free of him.

In his magnanimity, the Prophet ﷺ forgave her and set her free.

However, in fairness, when Bishr ibn al-Bara’, the companion who ate from the poisoned lamb, died, the Prophet ﷺ ordered her execution in retaliation for his death.

This was not the only attempt to kill the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ; numerous assassination attempts were made, but in every instance, the protection of the Lord of the heavens was evident.

“WHO WILL PROTECT YOU FROM ME?”

One night, during the Muslim army’s rest on their journey to Tabuk, the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ lay asleep under a tree, a little distance from his companions.

At that moment, a pagan approached him quietly, holding a sword with the intent to kill him.

Confident in his ability to kill the man whom all of Arabia was struggling to eliminate, the pagan asked arrogantly, “Who will protect you from me?”

The Prophet ﷺ remained calm and composed, and with just one word, he said, “Allah.”

This single word, though brief, carried a tremendous weight that made the pagan’s hand tremble, causing the sword to fall from his grasp.

Quickly and with composure, the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ picked up the sword and directed it toward the pagan, asking,
“Who will protect you from me now?”

The pagan was astonished and terrified by the power of Allah and the majesty of the Prophet ﷺ.

He begged for mercy and pardon. Indeed, the Prophet ﷺ forgave him and let him go, on the condition that he would not fight him in battle again.

This was not an act of weakness or submission but a lesson to teach us that we must control our emotions and not let anger or the desire for revenge drive us to extinguish a life.

How truly great is the Prophet of Islam!

THE SATANIC PLOT

Labid ibn al-A’sam, a polytheist who collaborated with Satan, was a master of magic and sorcery.

His hatred for the Prophet ﷺ was intense, and he prepared a complicated magical spell.

He used a comb of the Prophet ﷺ and some of his hair to create knots, which he then buried in a remote well.

The Prophet ﷺ began to experience unnatural symptoms, things that he had not actually done.

Despite this, the magic only affected his body and outward behavior—it did not touch his heart, mind, or belief.

The magic did not hinder his mission of calling to Islam.

He would imagine himself doing tThe Prophet ﷺ made heartfelt supplications to Allah, and Allah sent two angels to him. They sat by him, and the Prophet ﷺ said:

"Two men came to me, one sat by my head and the other by my feet."

The angels informed him who had performed the magic, where it was, and how to undo it.

The Prophet ﷺ, along with some of his companions, went to the well and found the magical knots.

He recited the Mu'awwidhatayn (Surahs al-Falaq and al-Nas), and with each verse he recited, one of the knots unraveled until the magic was completely nullified, and his health and vitality were restored.

Glory be to the miraculous words of Allah—so precise in their expressions, so powerful in their effects.

How great is the Prophet of Islam, who endured all kinds of trials to comfort us and teach us how to overcome sorrows and griefs.

THE DARK PLAN (THE ATTEMPT TO STRANGLE THE PROPHET

ﷺ)

Within the walls of the Ka'bah, the Prophet ﷺ was performing his prayers with devotion and serenity, paying no attention to the hateful eyes that watched him intently.

Nearby, the leaders of Quraysh, headed by Abu Jahl ibn Hisham, gathered in a shadowy corner, plotting and casting envious glances at him.

They felt deeply threatened by this man, whose call continued to grow stronger, gaining followers from both the noble and the enslaved.

'Uqbah ibn Abi Mu'ayt, leaning forward with a wicked tone, suggested,

"Why don't we go and strangle him while he is praying?"

With unparalleled boldness, 'Uqbah approached what no one had dared before.

While the Prophet ﷺ was praying in front of the Ka'bah, 'Uqbah quietly moved closer to him, as if he were a ghost creeping in the dark.

He wrapped his cloak around the Prophet's neck and began to pull it tightly, attempting to strangle him.

At this critical moment, the onlookers were frozen in fear.

But Allah, the Almighty, did not leave His Prophet unprotected.

Immediately, Abu Bakr al-Siddiq (may Allah be pleased with him) rushed forward like an arrow, pushing 'Uqbah away from the Prophet ﷺ with force, saying,

"Do you kill a man because he says, 'My Lord is Allah,' when he has brought you clear proofs from your Lord?" [Qur'an, 40:28]

'Uqbah and his cohorts were momentarily stunned by Abu Bakr's bravery and intervention.

The people gathered around them, expressing their outrage at such a barbaric act—against none other than the truthful and trustworthy Muhammad.

Faced with public condemnation,

'Uqbah and his companions retreated, fearful of the reaction of the people of Mecca, who had witnessed the Prophet's courage and steadfastness.

They realized that Allah was protecting His Messenger and that no matter how hard they tried, the Prophet's message would continue to spread, and his mission would persist, despite the enemies' best efforts.

Even in modern times, you may have seen the offensive cartoons published in France mocking the Prophet of Islam, which only increased his honor in the eyes of the people and highlighted the truth of his message and the nobility of his purpose, even 1,400 years after his death.

It is natural that the leaders of capitalism and the mouthpieces of Satan hate him because he calls people to worship the one Almighty God and directs them away from indulgence in worldly desires.

And it is natural that the leaders of Quraysh and idol worshippers conspired against him because he freed people from the worship of idols and brought them to a life of peace, without oppression or tyranny.

Despite all this conspiracy over time, Allah has protected the Prophet and his message from the evil of people: {And Allah will protect you from the people.} [Qur'an, 5:67]

Isn't it time to learn more about the Prophet of Islam?



ATTEMPTS TO ASSASSINATE

THE PROPHET OF ISLAM!