

The Last Will of Ali ibn Abi Talib (AS)

Amir al-Mu'minin Imām 'Alī ibn Abī Tālib (A.S)'s last will to his sons Imam Hasan (AS) and Imam Hussain (AS) after the attempt on his life by a stab from Ibn Muljam (L.A):

- ◆ My advice to you is to be conscious of Allah and steadfast in your religion. Do not yearn for the world, and do not be seduced by it. Do not resent anything you have missed in it. Proclaim the truth; work for the next world. Oppose the oppressor and support the oppressed.
- ◆ I advise you, and all my children, my relatives, and whosoever receives this message, to be conscious of Allah, to remove your differences, and to strengthen your ties. I heard your grandfather, peace be upon him, say: "Reconciliation of your differences is more worthy than all prayers and all fasting."
- ◆ Fear Allah in matters concerning orphans. Attend to their nutrition and do not forget their interests in the middle of yours.
- ◆ Fear Allah in your relations with your neighbors. Your Prophet often recommended them to you, so much so that we thought he would give them a share in inheritance.
- ◆ Remain attached to the Quran. Nobody should surpass you in being intent on it, or more sincere in implementing it.
- ◆ Fear Allah in relation to your prayers. It is the pillar of your religion.
- ◆ Fear Allah in relation to His House; do not abandon it as long as you live. It you should do that you would abandon your dignity.
- ◆ Persist in jihad in the cause of Allah, with your money, your souls, and your tongue.
- ◆ Maintain communication and exchange of opinion among yourselves. Beware of disunity and enmity. Do not desist from promoting good deeds and cautioning against bad ones. Should you do that, the worst among you would be your leaders, and you will call upon Allah without response.
- ◆ O Children of Abdul Mattaleb! Do not shed the blood of Muslims under the banner: The Imam has been assassinated! Only the assassin should be condemned to death.
- ◆ If I die of this stab of his, kill him with one similar stroke. Do not mutilate him! I have heard the Prophet, peace be upon him, say: "Mutilate not even a rabid dog."

In the 40th year of Hijri, in the small hours of the morning of 19th Ramadan, Imam Ali (AS) was struck with a poisoned sword by the Kharijite Ibn Maljam (L.A) while offering his prayers in the Masjid of Kufa. He died on the 21st day of Ramadan 40 A.H. and buried in Najaf-ul-Ashraf. He was born in the House of Allah, the Kaaba, and martyred in the House of Allah, Masjid-e-Kufa. The Lion of Allah, the most brave and gentle Muslim after the Prophet (PBUH&HF) himself, began his glorious life with devotion to Allah and His Messenger, and ended it in the service of Islam.

"And do not speak of those who are slain in the the Way of Allah as dead; nay, they are alive, but you perceive not." Al Quran 2:154

Grief of a companion of Amir al-Mu'minin Imām 'Alī ibn Abī Tālib (A.S).

Zirar bin Zamra Zibabi, known as Zirar Suda'i was one of the companions of Amir al-Mu'minin Imām 'Alī ibn Abī Tālib (A.S). After Ameerul Mo'mineen's (a.s.) martyrdom, he went to Syria where he met Mu'awiyah (l.a.). Mu'awiyah (l.a.) asked him, 'Describe Ali to me.' He replied, 'Would you please excuse me from answering this?' But Mu'awiyah (l.a.) insisted, 'You must describe him.' Whereupon Zirar said:

If there is no alternative, then you should know that Ali was a man whose personality knew no limits, terrible in power, his speech was decisive, his judgements based on justice, his knowledge spread in all directions and wisdom was manifest in all his behaviour. Among the food he liked most was the coarse kind and among the clothes, the short (and humble) ones. By Allah he was among us as one of us. He used to respond to our questions and fulfill our requests. By Allah although he used to let us get close to him, and himself was close to us, we did not dare address him due to our feeling of awe towards him, nor did we dare speak first due to his greatness in our hearts. His smile displayed a row of pearls. He used to honour the pious, be kind to the needy, *feed the orphan, the near of kin or the needy man in misery on the day of hunger*; to clothe the bare ones and to help the undefended person. He used to detest the world and its flowering. I stand witness that I have seen him on several occasions when night had spread, and he was standing in the niche (of the mosque) holding his beard, groaning like man bitten by a snake, and weeping as a grieved man saying:



O world, O world! Get away from me. Why do you present yourself to me? Or are you eager for me? You may not get that opportunity to impress me. Deceive some other person. I have no concern with you. I have divorced you thrice whereafter there is no restitution. Your life is short, your importance is little and your liking is humble. Alas! The provision is little, the way is long, the journey is far, and the goal is hard to reach.

When Mu'awiyah (l.a.) heard this from Zirar his eyes were filled with tears and he (l.a.) said, 'May Allah have mercy on Abul Hasan. He really was so.'

Then turning to Zirar he said, 'How do you feel in his absence, O Zirar !'

Zirar replied, 'My grief is like that of a woman whose only child is butchered in her arms.'

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STORY OF IBNE MULJUM MALOON

Amir al-Mu'minin Imām 'Alī ibn Abī Tālib (A.S) sent a message to his governor in Yemen to send ten of the selected shias from his nation to him in Kufa for training, so that when they are trained, these then will help you in a better Islamised running of Yemen .

Ten selected persons reached Kufa. Imam (AS) met them in Masjid and took an intro from them. One of them introduced himself as Abdur Rehman. Imam (AS) asked him thrice, are you son of Muljum? He replied Yes. Third time he enquired, Maula is there any thing special about me?

Imam (AS) replied, yes; you are my murderer.

He took out his sword and requested Maula Please kill me right now, I should not be allowed to live a single moment more. Imam (AS) calmed him.

Time passed, it was the end of the battle in Siffeen. Ibne Muljum maloon came to Imam (AS) and requested "Kindly allow me to rush to Kufa and tell the people that Amir al-Mu'minin Imām 'Alī ibn Abī Tālib (A.S) has won the battle and is returning". He was allowed.

While he was walking through the streets of Kufa and announcing he passed through the mohalla of the enemies of Imam (AS). There lived a beautiful girl named Quttam. Her father and brother had gone to Siffeen and were fighting against Imam (AS). She called ibne Muljum and asked about her father and brother. She was told that both of them were killed before his eyes.

She screamed, cried and got unconscious. He took her head in his couch and tried to make her conscious. During this he played some foul games with her face and body. Her servant was watching. When she got conscious, he returned back, the servant told her that during her unconsciousness, he had been playing with her. She said ok. Call him again and tell him that I want to listen more about my father and brother. Next day he went again and told her more about her father and brother. She acted as she has gone unconscious and threw herself on him. He once again started playing with her body. Right at that time, she opened her eyes and asked, do you like me?

He said yes.

She asked, would you like to marry me?

He said yes. She said I have huge haq mahr, will you pay

He said, I shall work day and night to earn the money you will demand.

She said I am not demanding for money but my haq mhr is the head of Amir al-Mu'minin Imām 'Alī ibn Abī Tālib (A.S).

He got silent, thought for a while, and then replied OK. Then she sent her to Damascus to get training and support. In Damascus he met with Muaavia and got his support and approval. He and Marvan master minded the project. They were looking for a man who was from the army of Imam (AS) to do this job and now they has got the one. When returned from Damascus, he was passing through bazaar of Kufa and Imam (AS) were sitting with Maesum e Tammar. Imam (AS) asked Maesum! Do you know this man?

Maesum Replied No. Imam (AS) told him that he is my murderer.

Maesum took his sword and tried to rush after him, but Imam (AS) said a historic sentence, “ *Stop. You can not punish him before he commits the crime*”.

Ibne Muljum maloon stayed with qutam maloona and briefed her about the decisions of Muaavia and the plan. She installed a tent out side the gate of Masjid e Kufa to monitor the whole plan being implemented and pretended as she was sitting in Aitikaf.

First part of the 19th Ramadan night, Ibne Muljam stayed with her in the tent. She served him wine and..?? Late night he entered the mosque and did the most heinous crime.

Lesson for us:

ONE MUST LOVE IMAM MUCH MORE THAN ANY THING ELSE. IBNE MULJUM LOVED IMAM (AS) BUT NOT MORE THAN HE LOVED A BEAUTIFUL GIRL. IBLEES CAUGHT HIM FROM THE WEAKNESS AND HE WENT TO HELL, FOR EVER.

If we look in our surroundings, we will find hundreds of thousands of such examples where a so called momin will prefer a female (may be wife or a girl friend) over his Holy Imam (AS). In fact Iblees catches him from this weakness of sexual desires.

Those who want to be a Nasir of Maula Imam e Zamaan (ajtfs), must keep a very close watch on their weakness so that they do not get detracked by Iblees Maloon.

Imām Ja'far ibn Muhammad al-Sādiq (AS) said:

"After this, a time of such doubt will befall you that you will be without the visible signs and a guiding Imam. And no one shall be able to achieve salvation from this except those who recite "Dua-e-Ghareeq." [*I.e.Supplication of the drowning man*]

Bismilla-heer-Rahmaneer-Raheem

O Allah! O Beneficent! O
Merciful.O One who changes
the hearts (of people)Give me
steadfastness upon Your
religion

يَا اللَّهُ يَا رَحْمَنُ يَا رَحِيمُ يَا مُقَلِّبَ الْقُلُوبِ
ثَبِّتْ قَلْبِي عَلَى دِينِكَ-

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