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# THE PUREST PEARLS

The Life of the *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُنَّ :

**Refuting Western Concepts**

إِنَّ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ وَالْقَانِتِينَ وَالْقَانِتَاتِ  
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وَالْحَافِظَاتِ وَالذَّاكِرِينَ اللَّهَ كَثِيرًا وَالذَّاكِرَاتِ  
أَعَدَّ اللَّهُ لَهُمْ مَغْفِرَةً وَأَجْرًا عَظِيمًا.

Indeed, the Muslim men and Muslim women, the believing men and believing women, the devoutly obedient men and devoutly obedient women, the truthful men and truthful women, the patient men and patient women, the humble men and humble women, the charitable men and charitable women, the fasting men and fasting women, the men and women who guard their chastity, and the men and women who remember Allāh abundantly- for all of them,

**Allāh has prepared forgiveness and a great reward.**

[Sūrah Ahzāb Verse:#35]

# وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ

## The Muslim Women and The Believing Women

- The *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُنَّ were the first women who submitted to Allāh and believed in His Messenger صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ.
- They are the best among the Muslim and believing women.

# وَأَقْبِنْتِ

## The Devoutly Obedient Women

The *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُنَّ followed  
Allāh and His Rasūl صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ in  
every aspect of their lives;  
**minor and major.**

It is therefore **imperative** to study and adopt their way of life and ideological outlook, i.e.,  
**a complete Islāmic outlook to life.**

We should not fall prey to the **liberal** belief system which creates within us an **inferiority complex** and forces us to surrender our **fundamental Islām**, practise a **liberal**, watered down version of this true religion and conform to Western practices and their **anti- religion** agenda.

The **biggest consequence** of adopting a **liberal, feminist** approach to life is the **breakdown of the family unit.**

The *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُنَّ invested their time and efforts on the family unit.

They placed great importance upon its prosperity through **marriage, homemaking, children and their upbringing.**

# The traditional roles of women are **under attack:**

- “Not doing anything with their lives.”
- “Just stay at home mums.”
- “Uneducated and ignorant.”
- “Brainwashed by the patriarchy.”

A call for women to **leave their homes** and **go out** into the world to **‘do something’** is louder than ever.

When we take a glance into the lives of our righteous predecessors and role models, we realize that:  
**the home was their main sphere.**

The responsibilities of the home, although difficult at times, were sincerely carried out because:

**Allāh ﷻ and His reward**  
were at the forefront of their minds.



Each of you is a shepherd and each of you is responsible for his flock.

A man is a shepherd in charge of the inhabitants of his household and he is responsible for his flock.

A woman is a shepherdess **in charge** of her **husband's house** and **children** and she is responsible for them.

[See: Bukhārī #7138, Muslim #1829]

The *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُنَّ fulfilled this role to its fullest capacity, leaving no room for criticism.

**Fāṭimah** رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا - The **leader of the women** in *Jannah*. Her life in this world was that of a home maker.

**ʿAsmāʾ** bint **ʿAbī Bakr** رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا - Her days were spent in domestic chores:

- Feeding the horses.
- Drawing water from the well.
- Kneading and preparing the dough.

**Umm Kulthūm** رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا - The keeper of the home and protector of ‘Umar رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ’s belongings.

She used to:

- Wash his clothes.
- Cook his food.
- Nurse their children.

**All the beloved wives** of Nabī ﷺ used to **serve him**, take care of the home and cook meals.

# Having Children and Raising them Correctly

**Individualism**, a concept stemming from liberalism has dominated and it urges us to think only of ourselves.

This concept claims:

Having little to no children is the better choice because children are:

- ‘A burden’.
- ‘Stopping us from fulfilling our dreams and ambitions’.
- ‘They take up all of our time, preventing us from living up to our fullest potential’.

Living life to our fullest potential  
is living life in **complete  
submission** to Allāh.

Childbearing and their  
upbringing was a matter of great  
importance to the *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُنَّ  
as they knew it was **a great  
investment** for their hereafter.

**Sayyidah 'Umm Sulaym رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا**

A *Ṣaḥābiyāh* who had many children  
and amongst them was

**Sayyidunā 'Anas ibn Mālik رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ .**

She placed 'Anas رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ into the service of  
Rasūlullāh صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ at the age of 10 and he  
continued this blessed service until the last  
breath of our beloved Nabī صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ .

It is only due to this sacrifice that thousands  
and thousands of 'aḥādīth  
have reached us today.

## *Sayyidah Khawlah bint Tha'labah* رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا

The *Ṣaḥābiyah* whom Allāh responded to her concern via **revelation** in the Qur'ān.

It was due to the importance that she placed upon raising her children in the best manner, **with the presence of both parents** that she came to the Prophet ﷺ with such a complaint and Allāh himself, the Most-High, responded to her!

**Sayyidah Hind** رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا was the mother of  
ʿAmīr Muʿāwiyah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ , a great Ṣaḥābi and  
commander of the first naval fleet.

**Sayyidah ʿUmm Ayman** رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا was the mother  
of Usāmah ibn Zayd رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ , who was very dear  
to the Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ and he was like a  
grandson to him.



The Prophet ﷺ said: “The righteous among the women of Quraysh are those who are **kind to their young ones** and who look after their husband's property.”

[Bukhārī #5365]

The *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* رضي الله عنهن bore the responsibility of raising **the leaders and lions** of the 'Ummah.

Without such sacrifices and efforts, Islām would not have reached us today.

**It is now our duty to carry the torch.**

**'Asmā' bint Al-Yazīd رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا** said:

“Indeed, Allāh has sent you to men and women, and we have believed in you, and we follow you.

We (females) are responsible for **tending to the homes** and we are the place where men fulfill their desires, in addition to carrying their children (during pregnancy).

But the men are preferred over us due to the merits gained for attending the Friday congregational prayer, attending burial procedures and also fighting in the way of Allāh.

If they leave their homes, **we protect their wealth and we also raise their children.** (With this being the case) do we take part in their **tremendous reward,** O Messenger of Allāh?”

The Prophet ﷺ then replied to her:  
“Return O ‘Asmā’ and inform the group of women that being a good wife to your husband, exerting yourself to please him, and having him pleased with you is **equivalent (in reward)** to all of what you have mentioned concerning the men.”

‘Asmā’ walked away saying:  
“**Lā ilāha illallāh**” and “**Allāhu ‘Akbar**”, due to the **extreme joy** she felt after hearing the Prophet ﷺ’s reply.

## Their main concern was reward.

They envied the men because of the rewards they were earning.

However, the moment she heard that the women **earn the same amounts** of reward for being a good wife and mother, she was content, rather overjoyed.

*Subhānallāh!*

Therefore, contrary to feminist beliefs, that a woman must **'go out into the world'** and **'let her voice be loud and strong'**, for a woman to be of value, these *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُنَّ, whom many of us have not heard of until today, have proven that true value and acceptance is **following the laws of Allāh** and **raising righteous children** is **the key** to success in the hereafter.

The rewards of these *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُنَّ continue until today and this is **true success**.

**Mothers** are the backbones of **families** and in raising stable righteous children, we produce stable families.

**Stable families** create **stable communities** which in turn, creates a stable, **morally upright society**.

Therefore, a strong, present mother is **the foundation** of a **strong world!**

## Sacrificing one's

worldly hobbies and ambitions, especially those that are *ḥarām* and do not conform to the *Sharī'ah*, i.e., breaking the laws of *ḥijāb* and modesty and not fulfilling one's duties towards one's family, and **redirecting** them for Allāh's sake and to **raise the future of the 'Ummah** is **extremely rewarding** and proves **selflessness**.

Feminism, a branch of  
**liberalism**, breeds **selfishness**.

“It’s okay to be selfish sometimes,” is what  
they say.

It compels us to think only of ourselves and  
ignore everything else, including and especially  
**God**.



The following statements  
**completely contradict our  
religion.**

‘My body, my choice.’

‘*Hijāb* is my choice.’

‘As a *ḥijābī*, we can do anything that a non-*ḥijābī* / non-Muslim can do.’

‘Our *ḥijāb* or *niqāb* does not and cannot hold us back.’

# Allāh commands us to cover ourselves in the Noble Qurā'n:

{And tell the believing women to lower their gaze and guard their chastity, and *not to reveal their adornments* except what normally appears. Let them draw their veils over their chests and not reveal their [hidden] adornments.}

[Sūrah Nūr: Verse #31]

It is not 'our bodies' and 'our choices'.

Rather, our body is an  
*ʿamānah*- a trust from Allāh.

It is **imperative** that we fulfill this trust by  
dressing in accordance with the *Sharīʿah*.

The **primary reason** for which we wear our  
*ḥijāb* is because it is an **obligation** from Allāh  
and **we must obey Him**.

When Allāh revealed: “... and to draw their veils all over their *Juyubihinna* (i.e., their bodies, faces, necks and bosoms)...”

they **tore their** *Murāṭ* (woolen dresses or waist-binding clothes or aprons etc.) and covered their heads and faces with those torn *Murāṭs*.

Instant obedience and complete compliance to the command of Allāh.

Did they rip off their outer garments wherever they were and instantly cover themselves, conforming to ‘*ḥijāb* is a choice’?

Or was it an act to show complete submission to the law of Allāh and attain His *Jannah*?

**This should be our mindset.**

Modesty is not limited  
to our clothing.

It includes how we talk, how we  
behave and carry ourselves.

The purpose of our *ḥijāb* and *niqāb*  
**is to restrict** us to the  
boundaries of the *Sharī'ah*.

## {And do not be soft in speech.}

[Sūrah 'Aḥzāb Verse: #32]

This *āyah* indicates that when women speak to non-*maḥram* men, **in times of necessity**, she is to speak in a firm, professional tone.

The *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* and *Tābi'āt* who taught and narrated *'aḥādīth* did so as it was a necessity and they did it from **behind a veil.**

They were not online or in front of mixed gatherings, speaking loudly and showing their *'awrah* (body parts which are necessary to be covered)- not even their faces. **They remained hidden, following the rulings and guidelines of Islām.**

A woman called 'Umm Khallād came to the Prophet ﷺ while she was veiled.

She was searching for her son who had been killed (in the battle).

Some of the Companions of the Prophet ﷺ said to her: “You have come here asking for your son while veiling your face?”

She said: “If I am afflicted with the loss of my son, **I shall not suffer the loss of my modesty.**”

[Abū Dāwud #2488]



Even in such a state, she came out  
**honouring** the term modesty.

And likewise, the women of Gaza,  
remind us of these great *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُنَّ  
as they refuse to leave the rubble until  
provided with a *ḥijāb*.

*Subḥānallāh!*

**Speaking of Gaza:** What is happening in **Palestine** to our women and children should be an eye opener for us all.

Every **women's rights organization** and self-proclaimed **feminist** amongst the general people as well as celebrities who claim to scream equality for women, **have abandoned our Palestinian women.** They have now forgotten the right of women to **simply live.** The right of women to have food, water, homes; the basic necessities of life!

It is only women's rights according to their anti-Islām agenda for women, when Afghanistan legislates the *Burqa*, but Muslim women being killed, tortured and jailed? That does not bother them.

This should be sufficient to expose their double standards and prove to us that we should **cut our ties** from these movements and terms and everything they stand for!

The *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ were people of *‘ibādah*, worshipping Allāh day and night.

They carried out the obligatory as well as *nafl* (optional) acts of worship **with sincerity and in hopes of reward.**

They were from the:

وَالصَّائِمَاتِ

those who constantly fasted.

Hafṣah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا

Known by Jibra'īl عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ as one who fasts throughout the day and stands in prayer throughout the night.

On the day she passed away, she was in the state of fasting.

They were among the

وَالْمُتَّصِدِّقَاتِ

charitable ones.

Zaynab bint Jahsh رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا and Saudah رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا ,  
used to give **all their wealth** in charity.

These women would give  
**the best** of their possessions  
away in charity in a heartbeat.

**Sayyidah Rufaydah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا** , due to necessity of battle, used to set up tents to treat and nurse the wounded *mujāhidīn*.

**Sayyidah Maymūnah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا** placed great importance upon joining family ties and ensuring they were not broken.

**Today, we break of ties for petty reasons with zero regard for Allāh's punishment.**

She was also one who **constantly** used the *miswāk*.

## Sayyidah 'Umm 'Ammārah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا

She was **one of the two women** in a group of 73 men who pledged allegiance to the Prophet ﷺ at the first pledge of 'Aqabah.

She possessed great love for Allāh ﷻ and the Prophet ﷺ, defending him and serving him throughout her life.

These exemplary women lived to show us the definition of a **True Muslim Woman**. They set an example that no modern woman can compare to and were the **pioneers** in showcasing **strength and courage** enshrouded in **modesty, piety and adhering to the laws of Allāh and following the Sunnah of our Nabī ﷺ**.

We must study their lives and follow in their footsteps, living in accordance with the Dīn in its entirety and imparting authentic Islām for every generation to follow.



بَدَأَ الْإِسْلَامُ غَرِيبًا وَسَيَعُودُ غَرِيبًا

فَطُوبَى لِلْغُرَبَاءِ .

“Islām began as something strange and will  
go back to being strange,  
so **glad tidings to the strangers.**”

[Muslim: #145 ]

May Allāh ﷻ include us among these strangers, who hold tightly onto fundamental Islām despite living in a time of ideological warfare.

May He grant us the *tawfiq* (Divine ability) to follow the *Sunnah* of our Prophet ﷺ, the *Ṣaḥābiyyāt* رضي الله عنهم and the pious women of the *ʿummah*, in every aspect of our lives.

آمين!