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## STORIES OF THE PROPHETS

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IN MADINAH

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"O! you Arabs, here comes the Prophet you have all been waiting for," shouted a man from the tribe of Bani Israel.

There appeared two shapes in the distance, coming through the hot desert haze towards Madinah.

When they heard the shout, every man, woman and child dropped whatever

they were doing and lined the streets of Madinah.

Many of the new Muslims
in Madinah had not met the Messenger,
Muhammad . At first they mistook
Abu Bakr for Muhammad ,
until he covered Muhammad with his
own cloth from the blazing, afternoon sun.

After the Messenger Muhammad came to Madinah, more people became Muslims and those who went to Abyssinia, came back later to join them.

Meanwhile the Quraish who were angry with Muhammad for leaving Makkah, were preparing an army to fight the Muslims in Madinah.

An army of about thousand men were marching to Madinah under Abu Jahl, the leader of the Quraish.

This was the first time that Allah gave the Muslims the right to fight and defend Islam.

Many Muslims were now ready to sacrifice their lives for Allah .





Muhammad was keen to fight the enemies of Islam in Madinah but the young Muhaajirun and the Ansar were keen to fight them at Mount Uhud.

When Muhammad and his army reached Mount Uhud, the leader of the hypocrites, Abdullah bin Ubay, along with three hundred men ran back to Madinah.

They were afraid when they saw the huge Quraish army coming towards them.

Muhammad \*\* was now left with only seven hundred men. The battle began soon after the morning Fajr prayer.

Fifty archers with Abdullah bin Jubayr, as their leader, were on top of Mount Uhud.

The archers were ordered not to leave their positions in victory or defeat.

The Muslim army was lined up, facing the enemy with their backs to the mountain.

One day, Muhammad had a dream where the Muslims were performing Umrah, with their heads being shaved.

Muhammad told his companions to make preparations to visit Makkah.

Many of the Muslims were excited and eager for this visit, because it had been six years since they had all left Makkah. One thousand five hundred Muslims made the

In the meantime, the Quraish were preparing an army to stop the Muslims from visiting the Ka'bah.

When the Muslims reached the border of Makkah, Muhammad sent a few of his closest companions to meet the leaders of the Quraish.



He sordered an army of ten thousand men to march towards Mecca. They marched for eight days until they reached a place called Marr Az-Zahran which is on the border of Mecca.

The Quraish were not ready for a battle so they sent Abu Sufyaan, a leader of the Quraish, to meet Muhammad . He asked the Muslims to return to Madinah in peace.

At this meeting Abu Sufyaan accepted Islam. He then went back to Mecca with a message from Muhammad to give up fighting and to make way for the Muslim army to take over Mecca.

Abu Sufyaan said to the Quraish, "He who seeks protection in my house is safe, whoever stays in their houses are safe and those who lived around the Ka'bah are safe



Death came to him on a Monday, as Muhammad was resting in the arms of Ayesha .

His greatest miracle was the Quran, the words of Allah , that was sent to guide all of mankind through the angel Jibreel ....

Those who obey Allah will be rewarded with Paradise.

In Paradise we can meet
Muhammad & and all the

Prophets before him. The greatest reward for the Muslims is to see Allah the Lord and Creator of the heavens and the earth.

If we love Allah we have to follow His Messenger, Muhammad . He is the best example for all of mankind. All those who follow his example and die as Muslims will be in Paradise, the home of the believers and live happily forever.