

the former times of Ignorance; and establish regular prayer, and give zakat and obey Allah and His Messenger. And Allah only wishes to remove all abomination from you, ye Members of the Family, and to make you pure and spotless.}

[Al-Ahzab: 28-33]

{Allah sets forth, for an example to the unbelievers, the wife of Noah and the wife of Lut: They were (respectively) under two of our righteous servants but they betrayed their (husbands), and they profited nothing before Allah on their account, but were told: Enter ye the Fire along with (others) that enter! And Allah sets forth, as an example to those who believe the wife of Pharaoh: Behold she said: O my Lord! Build for me, in nearness to Thee, a mansion in the Garden, and save me from Pharaoh and his doings, and save me from those that do wrong.}

[Al- Tahrim: 10-11]

Prophetic Hadiths:

"When Jibreel (peace be upon him) came with Allah's revelation to the Messenger of Allah (pbuh) in Hira' Cave, the Prophet (pbuh) went home scared, pale and trembling. He said to Khadija, "cover me, cover me." After she knew what had happened, he said to her, "I am scared, Khadija". Khadija encourage him saying, By Allah, Allah will never make you lose. You keep good terms with your relatives, are truthful, help the weak, are a good host to your guests and help the afflicted."

[Reported by Al-Bukhari]

In Hudaibiya (a place near Makka), all Muslims became disappointed because of the treaty the Prophet (pbuh) concluded with the unbelievers of Quraish. Having signed the treaty, the Prophet (pbuh) commanded the

Muslims to slaughter their sacrificial animals and have their hair cut to finalize their `Umrah and go back to Madina. But nobody did what the Prophet (pbuh) said. Afterwards, the Prophet (pbuh) entered upon Umm Salama and told her what had happened. Umm Salama said, You would better go out and do not speak to anybody until you slaughter your sacrificial animal and have your hair cut. No sooner did Muslim see the Prophet (pbuh) doing that, than they started to slaughter their animals and have their hair cut.

[Al-Bukhari]

In the battle of al-Qadisiyya, Al-Khansa accompanied the army with her four children. Before rushing into war she commended them saying, O sons, you optionally entered Islam so did you migrate. You are all my sons. I never betrayed your father nor did I stain your lineage or forged your ancestry. You know what Allah prepared for Muslims of great reward when fighting against atheists. You have to know that the immortal life is better than the perishable. Allah the Almighty said.

"O ye who believe! Persevere in patience and constancy; vie in such perseverance; strengthen each other; and fear God; that ye may prosper".

[Al- Imran: 200]

In the morning, they waded into war and kept fighting until they all died. Having known about the death of her four sons, she said, "Praise be to Allah Who gave me the honour of their martyrdom. I invoke Allah to let me meet them in Paradise".