

The Prophet (S) and Imam Husayn (a.s.)

On the death of Muawiya, when Imam Husayn (a.s.) refused to pledge his allegiance to Yazid, he went to the tomb of his grandfather, Prophet Muhammad (S). He worshipped there for the most of the night, and also slept there for a while. In his dream he saw the Messenger of Allah, may Allah bless him and his cleansed progeny, surrounded by angels.

The Prophet (S) embraced him and said, *“My beloved Husayn, I foresee you when you will be, in the very near future, covered with your blood, slain at the land of Karbala, while thirsty, being deprived of water. This will be done to you by people who claim that they are from my followers.”*

Imam Husayn (a.s.) in his dream looked at his grandfather and said, *“My grandfather, I ask you to admit me into your grave. I do not desire to go back to the earthly world.”*

The Messenger of Allah (S) answered him, *“My beloved Husayn, there are degrees which you will not acquire except through martyrdom.”*

Before he departed to Iraq, he uttered the following words, *“I am as eager to join my ancestors as Jacob was eager to join Yousef. I visualize my body being dismembered by the wolves of the desert which shall fill from my flesh their empty abdomens and hungry stomachs. The pleasure of God is our pleasure. We are patient at His trial and he gives us the reward of the patient. (Men from) the flesh of the Messenger of God will never part with him. They will join him on the Day of Judgment, and he will be very pleased by the reunion.”*

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