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20) Fatimah (sa) beholder of the secret of the Messenger of Allah (saw)

56. عن عائشة رضي الله عنها قالت: اجتمع نساء النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم، فلم يغادر منهن امرأة، فجاءت فاطمة تمشي كأن مشيتها مشية رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم، فقال: مرحبا بابنتي. فأجلسها عن يمينه أو عن شماله' ثم إنه اسر إليها حديثا فبكت فاطمة، ثم انه سارها فضحكت أيضا، فقلت لها: ما يبكيك؟ فقالت: ما كنت لأفشي سر رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم. فقلت: ما رأيت كاليوم فرحا أقرب من حزن. فقلت لها حين بكت: أخصك رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم بحديثه دوننا ثم تبكين؟ وسألتها عما قال، فقالت: ما كنت لأفشيَ سر رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم. حتى إذا قبض سألتها، فقالت: إنه كان حدثنى أن جبريل كان يعارضه بالقرآن كل عام مرة، و إنه عارضه به في العام مرتين، ولا أراني إلا قد حضر أجلي، و إنك أول أهلي لحوقا بي، ونعم السلف أنا لك. فبكيت لذلك. ثم انه سارني، فقال: ألا ترضين أن تكون

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سيدة نساء المؤمنين، أو سيدة نساء هذه الأمة. فضحكت لذلك.

Ayeshah (ra) narrates, “All the wives of the Holy Prophet (saw) were present and no one was absent when Fatimah (sa), whose way of walking was just like the Holy Prophet (saw), came. The Holy Prophet (saw) said, ‘welcome my daughter’ and seated her on his right or left side. Then he quietly whispered something into her ear because of which Fatimah started to cry. The Holy Prophet (saw) again whispered something into her ear upon which she then laughed. I asked her (sa), ‘What made you cry?’ She replied, ‘I will not disclose the secret of the Messenger of Allah (saw).’ I said, ‘I have never seen

happiness so close to sadness as was the case today.' Then I said, 'The Messenger of Allah (saw) said something to you specifically without telling us yet you are crying.' I asked Fatimah, 'What did the Holy Prophet (saw) say?' Fatimah replied, 'I cannot disclose the secret of the Messenger of Allah (saw).' When the Holy Prophet (saw) passed away, I asked her again and she replied, 'The Holy Prophet (saw) whispered to me that every year Jibraeel recited the Quran with him once but this year he has recited it with him twice. (She said that the Prophet (saw) said) I am sure that the time of my passing away is near and indeed you are the first from my family who will meet me and I am the best forerunner for you. To this I cried. Then the Holy Prophet (saw) whispered, 'Are you not happy with the fact that you are the leader of all Muslim women or the leader of the women of this ummah (nation).' To this I laughed.'"

57. عن عائشة رضي الله عنها قالت: دعا النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم فاطمة ابنته في شَكْواه الذي قبض فيها، فسارها بشيء فبكت، ثم دعاها فسارها فضحكت، قالت: فسألتها عن ذلك، فقالت: سارني النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم فأخبرني: أنه يقبض في وَجَعه الذي توفي فيه، فبكيت، ثم سارني فأخبرني: أني أول أهل بيته، أتبعه فضحكت.

Ayeshah (ra) narrates, "During his illness in which he passed away the Holy Prophet (saw) called for Fatimah and whispered something to her. Upon this she began to cry. Then he (saw) called her nearer and whispered something to her and she laughed." Ayeshah (ra) then says, "I asked Fatimah regarding that incident and Fatimah said, 'The Holy Prophet (saw) said into my ear that He (saw) would pass away due to this illness. Thus I began to cry. Then he (saw) whispered and told me that from the 'people of the house' I will be the first to come after him. To this I laughed.'"

58. عن عائشة رضي الله عنها قالت: بينما أنا مع رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم في بيت يلاعبنى و ألاعبه إذ دخلت علينا فاطمة، فأخذ رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم بيدها فأقعدها خلفه و ناجاها بشيء لا أدري ما هو، فنظرت إلى فاطمة تبكى، ثم أقبل إلي رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم فحدثنى ولا عبنى، ثم أقبل عليها فلاعبها و ناجاها بشيء فنظرت إلى فاطمة و إذا هي تضحك، فقام رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم فخرج، فقلت لفاطمة: ما الذي ناجاك به رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم؟ قالت: ليس كلاما أسر إلي رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم أخبرك به، قلت: أذكرك الله و الرحم، قالت: أخبرني: أنه مقبوض قد حضر أجله، فبكيت لفراق رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم، ثم أقبل إلي فناجاني: أني أول من يلحق به من أهل بيته' فضحكت للقاء رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم.

Ayeshah (ra) narrates, "I was at home with the Messenger of Allah (saw) and we were in a humorous mood with each other when Fatimah (sa) came in. The Holy Prophet (saw) took hold of her hand and seated her behind him and whispered something to her. I do not know what was whispered. Then I looked at Fatimah (sa) and she was crying. Then the Holy Prophet (saw) turned his attention to me and he talked and joked with me. The Holy Prophet (saw) then turned towards Fatimah, joked with her and

whispered something to her. When I looked at Fatimah I noticed that she (sa) was laughing. When the Holy Prophet (saw) got up and went outside, I asked Fatimah, 'What did the Messenger of Allah (saw) whisper to you?' She replied, 'Whatever the Messenger of Allah (saw) whispered to me, I will not tell you about it.' I said, 'For the sake of Allah and my close relation to you (please tell me).' Then she said, 'The Messenger of Allah (saw) told me that the time of his passing away has come near. The very thought of separation from the Messenger of Allah (saw) made me cry. Then he (saw) turned to me and whispered that from the 'people of the house' I will be the first who will meet him again. In anticipation of meeting him, I laughed.'"

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