

Hadhrat U'smaan Ghani رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ

In the 9th A.H. The **battle of Tabuk** took place, the reason for this battle was that the **Emperor of Rome, Caesar** planned to attack the Muslims. Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ encourage sahabah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ to spend in path of Allah so that the Muslim army can equipped themselves. U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ helped one third of the army by himself. Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ was very pleased and made du'aa, that this action of his has eternally attained Allah pleasure. U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ was the one who told Abu Bakr رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ to choose U'mar رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ as the 2nd khalifah.

Before the death of U'mar رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ, Sahabah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ requested U'mar رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ to appoint the next khalifah. U'mar رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ appointed 6 Sahabah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ which the Muslims must choose from: Amongst them 1) **U'smaan** 2) **Ali** 3) **Zubair** 4) **Talhah** 5) **Sa'd bin Abi Waqqas** 6) **Abdur Rahman bin Auf** رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ. After the death of U'mar رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ The Sahabah discussed who should be the next khalifah and finally on the 3rd day U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ was chosen.

Everyone took bay'at (pledge of allegiance) at U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ hands. This took place on 4th **Muharram 24 A.H.** U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ ruled for **11 years and 11 months.** There was **2 conquests** during his khilaafat: a) **Recovery of those land wherein the people rebelled against the muslims.** 2) **Conquest of new land.** During his khilaafat, **Naval Battles** (fighting at sea) took place. This was idea of Mu'awiyah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ. U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ agreed with this idea.

The first Naval army was prepared and Mu'awiyah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ was made Ameer (leader) of this army. The army went towards the Island of Cyprus. **50 battles** were fought against the Romans and the Island was conquered by the Muslims. The **Emperor of Rome Ceasar** was also killed during the khilafat of U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ. Also U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ extended Masjid un Nabawi. It was **increased 50 hand span.** This entire extension took **10 months** to complete. Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ had predicted that U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ will be maytred. Towards the end of his khilafat, Few people began to rebel against him.

This group (Rebels) was unhappy with a certain actions of U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ. Many Sahabah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ told U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ to kill them, but U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ was a soft and gentle man, He didn't want to cause any bloodshed. So he refused any form of violence. The Rebels became more arrogant and began physically harming him, then too U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ left them. Eventually, the Rebel surrounded his house for **40 days** and **stopped all water supplies** from reaching his home. When Sahabah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ tried to help to give him water, many people got injured and very little water reached him. Quietly the Rebels came from behind the house and entered U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ house.

Those Shabah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ who were guarding U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ house didn't see them entering from the rear of the house. When the Rebels entered, U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ was reading Qur'aan. They attack him and stabbed him to death, **His wife Naailah** رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهَا tried to help and **her 3 fingers got cut off.** U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ was **82 years old** when he was maytred. He passed away whilst reading the Qur'aan and he was also fasting. This took place on **Friday 18 Zul Hijjah 35 A.H at Asr time.** His Janazah was only performed on Saturday by few Sahabah رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُمْ and they secretly buried him in Jannatul Baqee. U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ left behind **9 sons & 7 daughters.** Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ mention many great virtues (Manaqib) regarding U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ: 1) **He is My companion in Jannah.** 2) **After the death of the 2nd daughter of Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ who was married to U'smaan رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ, Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, "If I had more daughters I would have given all to him one by one."**