Chapter 16

SAYYIDINA ABU BAKR AS-SIDDIQ (R.A.A)

- 1. Sayyidina Abu Bakr (R.A.A) is the first Khalifa of Islam.
- 2. He was born in Makkah. He was two years younger than Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W).
- 3. He was the greatest Companion of Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W).
- 4. He was the first man to accept Islam.
- 5. He was wealthy and gave his wealth in charity. He was kind and generous and helped the needy and the poor.
- 6. He was always the first to perform good deeds.
- 7. He used to cry when he recited the Holy Qur'an.
- 8. He freed many slaves including Hazrat Bilal (R.A.A) who became the first muadhdhin of Islam.
- 9. When Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) went on miraj, some people didn't believe him but Sayyidina Abu Bakr believed him at once.
- 10. For this reason, he is called As-Siddiq meaning the truthful.
- 11. He did Hijrah with Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) to Madina and hid in a cave for three days because the Quraish wanted to kill our Prophet (S.A.W).
- 12. Sayyidina Abu Bakr (R.A.A) and Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) made it safely to Madina.
- 13. Sayyidina Abu Bakr (R.A.A)'s daughter, Sayyidatina Aisha (R.A.A) was married to Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W).
- 14. He participated in battles against non-believers to fight for Islam, and he spread Islam in every way he could.
- 15. For the battle of Tabuk he gave all his wealth to help the Muslims.
- 16. When Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) was sick, he asked Sayyidina Abu Bakr (R.A.A) to lead the Salah.
- 17. When Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) passed away everyone was very sad and Sayyidina Abu Bakr (R.A.A) calmed them down.

- 18. After Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) passed away, Sayyidina Abu Bakr (R.A.A) became the first Khalifa of Islam. The Muslim community chose him as the first Khalifa.
- 19. He is the first out of the four Khalifas. The four Khalifas are Sayyidina Abu Bakr (R.A.A), Sayyidina Umar (R.A.A), Sayyidina Uthman (R.A.A) and Sayyidina Ali (R.A.A).
- 20. The names of the four Khalifas are mentioned in the Friday Khutbah.
- 21. Muslims love them and are proud of them.
- 22. When he was Khalifa, some people refused to pay Zakat and he told them they have to pay Zakat.
- 23. Musailamah, the liar said he was the next prophet, so Sayyidina Abu Bakr (R.A.A) sent an army to fight him and the Muslims won.
- 24. In the time of Sayyidina Abu Bakr (R.A.A) the Holy Qur'an was compiled in the form of a book.
- 25. He was Khalifa for 2 years and passed away on Monday at the age of 63, the same age as that of Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W).
- 26. His last resting place is beside the Holy Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) in Masjid Nabawi in Madina.
- 27. We love Sayyidina Abu Bakr (R.A.A).