Fatima … Fadak …

Once upon a time the most beautiful flower of the tree of Existence was born, she was the beloved by Allah, she was the daughter of the Ever-Most beloved creation of Allah. Her sweet heavenly fragrance encompassed the entire Existence … .

But the stone-hearted and blind-minded parasites of Existence crushed this Ever-Beautiful flower against the wall, thinking that crushing may stop the spreading of her heavenly fragrance …

Not realizing that (as Shifa Mustapha, a former christian, said:) the most beautiful of 'crushed flowers' releases its perfume more strongly than ever!

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Chapter 1

- From Heaven to earth
... Finally the glorious moment for her birth has arrived ... what a child! Such an indescribable Heavenly Sublimity!

Look! Allah has sent a few of the most beautiful flowers of existence to assist with her birth: Maryam daughter of 'Emraan, ‘Aasiyah daughter of Mozaahem and ... . (1)

She is whom Allah through Jebra’il had given her birth’s glad tidings to His most beloved, the Prophet Mohammad (PBUH & HP), and the Prophet (PBUH & HP) to Khadijah, his beloved wife, her mother (PBUT):

O dear Khadijah! It is a girl, immaculate, infallible and blest; from her, Allah shall bring in to existence the Guiding Imams, Allah’s Caliphs, and Divine Leaders of humankind ... .

Look! Her celestial Light is encompassing Mecca! No! Look again! It is not just Mecca but the entire east and west of the world is overwhelmed by her Light! (2)

Ah! What a Heavenly Magnificence!

Undoubtedly, this child is not earthly, she is Heavenly! All preliminaries for her birth have, step by step, originated from Heaven ... . So, absolutely no one deserves to name her but Allah (SWT) Himself; and Allah has derived her name from His Name; in Heaven, she is called Mansoorah, and on earth Fatemah: Fatemah, meaning one who weans and draws away, because on the one hand, she will draw her Shi’ah away from the Fire; and on the other hand, human mind is drawn away from the full comprehension of her true worth. Mansoorah, meaning one who is assisted, because she who is assisted by Allah, will assist and support her Shi’ah. (3)

How can one forget all those unforgettable times when Hadrat Fatemah (PBUH) used to go to her loving father, Hadrat Mohammad (PBUH & HP), and he used to take her hands, kiss them and sit her on his seat ... . (4)
She is the one whom all the Prophets, from the first to the last, and their Allah Chosen Successors (PBUUT) and their followers have acknowledged her uncountable virtues. The Prophethood of no Prophet was completed unless through acceptance of her sublime position in the entire creation. (5)

The most beloved by Allah, Hadrat Mohammad (PBUH & HP), used to, always and everywhere, say: I smell the fragrance of Heaven from Fatemah . . . . While ‘Aayeshah (Aisha) used to complain: Why do you smell her so much? Why do you kiss her so often? Why every time you see her, it is as if you are given a new life? . . . (6)

BE QUIET!

From her, I smell Heaven . . . Fatemah is Kawthar . . . she is Heaven itself . . . she is the pass to Heaven . . . her pleasedness is my pleasedness, and my pleasedness is Allah’s; her wrath is Allah’s Wrath . . . . (7)

‘Aayeshah knew, without any doubts whatsoever, that Fatemah, her father, her husband and her sons were the reason for creation of skies and earth, Heaven and Hell, humankind and jinn-kind, . . . (8)

Fatemah’s virtues appear in many verses in Qur’an:

She is thoroughly Pure from any sin or offense whatsoever. (9)

She is one of the Chosen few whose prayers are certainly granted; Allah (SWT) directly commanded her presence among the Chosen Five in the event of Mobaahelah (Mubahilah) against the Najran’s Nasaara (christians) which manifested the helplessness and unrightfulness of the Nasaara. (10)

[Please refer to the E-book “The Najran Pact, Mobaahelah (Mubahilah)” in this site: kindfather.com]

At one of many instances when Allah (SWT) had Wished to manifest the Sublime status of the Prophet Mohammad and his AhlulBayt (PBUUT), He commanded that any door which was opened to the Masjid-O-Nnabi (The Mosque of the Prophet in Medina) had to be
fully closed otherwise the Torment of Allah would befall; except the Door of Fatemah’s House to the Masjid had to remain open. (11)

Imam Moosa ibn Ja’far (PBUH) regarding Hadrat Fatemah’s (PBUH) position, in the interpretation of the Qur’anic verse 35 of Surah Noor - Light- (24) has said:

…”Kawkab Dorri” -the most brilliant star- is Fatemah who shines among all women in the world … and “Light over Light” in this verse are the Imam’s from Fatemah who come one after another, and Allah with her Light and with our Wilayat guides anyone He Wishes … (12)

And such it was that if Allah (SWT) had not created Hadrat Ali (SBUH), there was no match for her on earth from Adam to the last human, and if Hadrat Fatemah was not created, there was no equal for Ali (PBUUT). (13)

Her son Mohammad ibn Ali -imam Jawaad- (PBUH) has said:

Fatemah’s home was one of the Rasool’s homes which no one was allowed to enter without permission. From their house a Celestial Window was opened toward the ‘Arsh (Divine Throne) which was the point of descent of Revelations. At every dawn and sunset, and at any time, some angels used to come down to her, and others go up. (14)

Imam Ja’far ibn Mohammad (PBUH) in regard to his foremother, the daughter of Rasool of Allah, has said:

She was Mohaddathah [a female personage Narrating from Revelations], and angels used to descend from Heaven to her, talk to her and say:

O’ Fatemah! Surely Allah has made you Pure and immaculate, and has chosen and preferred you among all women in the worlds. (15)

O’ our beloved Pure Zahra! you are she who your son Imam Mohammad ibn Ali (PBUH) has given us the hopeful glad tidings that in the Day of Judgment you will gather your Shi’ah and friends one by one just as a bird picks seeds, and you will take them to Heaven; and
because of your grandeur, Allah (SWT) shall allow your Shi’ah to take with them to Heaven, any one who had fulfilled one of their needs, or fed them, or dressed them, even once because of your love. By Allah, there will be no one left there [out of Heaven] except doubters, unbelievers, and hypocrites. (16)

O’ Heavenly Reyhaanah! You are that Light created by Allah whom will never be put out; although attempts have been made to extinguish the Light, but all Muslims, even the sunni, have acknowledged that the Prophet Mohammad (PBUH & HP) had prophesied:

… it is as if I see Fatemah and that which is going to happen to her after me; as if I am with her and seeing her while disrespect has entered her house, and her honor violated, and her right usurped, and she has been deprived of her inheritance, and her side has been broken, and her fetus has been aborted, while she cries: Yaa Mohammada! But no one answers her … So she will be the first one of the Ahl al-Bayt who will join me; she will come to me while she is sad, suffered, sorrowful, usurped and killed. And at that moment I shall say: O Allah! La’n (Keep your Mercy away from) whoever oppressed her, and torment whoever usurped her right, and debase whoever insulted her, and keep in the Fire forevermore whosoever stroke her side till it caused her son to be aborted. Then the angels will say: Aameen … . (17)

Dear brothers and sisters in Eemaan -those who have obeyed the One and Only Allah (SWT) and His most beloved Prophet Mohammad (PBUH & HP) and thus have submitted to the Wilayat of the AhlulBayt (PBUT)-! Do you know what did the Lady of both worlds ask Allah while she was suffering from extreme pain in her broken side and livid arm?!  

She said:

O’ Allah! I swear You by Your Prophet Mohammad and his longing for me, by Ali al-Mortaza and his grief for me, by Hasan al-Mojtaba and his cries for me, by Hossain al-Shahid and his sorrow for me, and by my daughters and their mourning for me … I implore You to forgive
and have Mercy upon the true adherents to my father who have faults … (18)

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Chapter 2

❖ Fadak Sermon
Once upon a time, Allah created the best of His creations, those whom Allah created the entire existence for; they were Lady Fatima and her father, Lady Fatima and her husband, Lady Fatima and her sons (PBUT) . . . . No regular person like us, can ever truly comprehend and encompass, their actual value and status. Their heavenly words are the manifestation of their Allah Bestowed Knowledge; the difference between their words and the words of regular humans, is the same as the difference between them and regular humans. The Ahl-Ol-Bayt (PBUT) are whom the Prophet Mohammad (PBUH and HP) -by Allah’s command- has declared as inseparable from Qur’an, from the Word of Allah; the words of Mohammad and his Ahl-Ol-Bayt (PBUT) are inseparable from the Word of Allah. They are the heart and soul of Qur’an; they have been keeping Qur’an alive throughout the ages, they have been the living Qur’an.

Qur’an indicates: And were every tree that is in the earth (made into) pens, and the sea (to supply it with ink), with seven more seas to increase it, the Word of Allah would not come to an end; surely, Allah is Might(Aziz), Wise. (Qur’an, Surah Loqmaan[31], verse 27); and at the same time, Qur’an states: …We have not neglected anything in the Book…. . (Qur’an, Surah An’aam[6], verse 38); the words of Mohammad and his progeny (PBUT) are the heart of Qur’an, the only true interpretations, explanations and clarifications of the Word of Allah, for us who need their Divine Guidance. Every single word of the Ahl-Ol-Bayt (PBUT) has an ocean of celestial meaning which we - with our dark glasses and very limited vision- only may see a little of its surface and they -with their Allah Bestowed Knowledge- can make manifest for us, its depth and secrets.

Abdul Fattaah Abdul Maqsood, a Sunni scholar, in his well known book, “A-Ssaqifato -Wal-Khalaafah”, states that, some people asked ibn Abbaas regarding his knowledge in comparison with that of Ali son of AbiTaaleab (PBUT), and he responded: a drop of water compared to a vast ocean!

We must say that no regular person, is even a drop next to the ocean of the Ahl-Ol-Bayt (PBUT).
Here, we have attempted to translate into English, the everlasting "Fadak Sermon" of the Lady Fatima (PBUH); we humbly confess that we have not been able to do her celestial words justice; due to our limited knowledge and the limitations of the English language in comparison with Arabic; there are many words in Arabic -specially in Qur’anic and Hadith terminology- which have no proper equivalents in English or any other language, for that matter. While imploiring Allah to bestow upon us His Light of Guidance, we should make the effort to study the words of the Ahl-Ol-Bayt (PBUH) in Arabic along with other related Hadith and explanations.

Fadak was a very fertile property given to Lady Fatima by her father, the Prophet (PBUH); when the usurpers of Khalifate -those who intentionally disobeyed Allah and disregarded the Divinely Bestowed Successorship of the AhlulBayt- took Fadak, Lady Fatima (PBUH) went to the "Mosque of the Prophet" in Medina and delivered the everlasting "Fadak Sermon" in which she not only demanded her property back -which was the source of sustenance for many people she helped- but also attempted to awaken the asleep hearts of people who had conveniently -for worldly intentions- forgotten the Prophet’s recommendations. The Lady's heart was broken from all that convenient disloyalty; her heart was not broken for herself, rather for the dark fate awaiting the forgetful people throughout the ages.

It is also noteworthy to mention that ladies in England did not receive their "Right to ownership" until the year 1870 A.D.; French ladies, until 1900 A.D.; Swiss ladies, until 1907 and Italians, until 1917; while Muslim ladies were bestowed their equal "Right to ownership" over 1400 years ago, and Lady Fatima (PBUH) stood up for that right. It is important to realize that, this was only one aspect of her profound act; she has also reminded humanity, the "Right to Successorship" of her husband Ali, and after Ali, of her sons (PBUH), so that they -as commanded by Allah- may Guide humanity, all the way to Eternity… .

And some Day, this long lasting usurpation will finally be over and that shall be when the final infallible member of the Ahl-Ol-Bayt, the Anticipated Mahdi of Fatima (PBUH), shall Appear and the Truth will become manifest and perhaps then -with Mahdi’s (PBUH) help and guidance- we will understand better, the profound Sermon of the Lady, too… .
Let us read together, this translation of the everlasting "Fadak Sermon" of Lady Fatima (PBUH):

**Fadak Sermon of Lady Fatimah (SBUH)**

All Praises be to Allah for what He has bestowed;

and All Thanks be to Him for what He has inspired;

and All Commendations, for what He has offered from prevalent favors which He originated;

and abundant bounties which He has given and poured;

and perfect graces which He has granted.

(such bounties, graces,… that) Their number is much too plentiful to compute and measure;

and their extensions, too far to recompense;

and their extremities, too distant to realize and comprehend.

And He has encouraged them to seek more, by being grateful, for the continuity of those (bounties,…);

and has required Praise from His creations, for the bounteous giving of those;

and has repeated His recommendations for the likes of those.
Part 2

Fadak Sermon
I bear witness that, there is no god but Allah, He is one, no partner for Him;

a Kalemah (statement,…) which He has made, sincere devotion as its Ta’wil (interpretation,…);

and assured and joined hearts by its connectivity;

and illuminated in the minds, its meaning and reasonability.

His (Allah’s) observation by eyes, and His description by tongues, and His how-ness by imaginations, are impossible;

He has originated things, not from any material that had existed before them, and created them, not by molding and following the likes of them;

He has created them with His Might and caused them to exist according to His Will;

without having a need for their creation, and a benefit for Him, in their formation;

except for making firm His Hekmat (Wisdom,…), and causing awareness for His Obedience, and manifesting His Might, and Ta’abbod (Awesome Veneration,… ) for His creations, and exaltation for His invitation.

Then He set rewards for His Obedience, and punishment for his disobedience;

to avert His Wrath from His creations, and to amass and turn them towards His Paradise.
Part 3

Fadak Sermon
And I bear witness that my father, Mohammad (PBUH and HP), is His obedient Servant and Messenger;

whom He chose, prior to sending him, and named him before creating him, and selected him before appointing him;

when creatures were still concealed in the Ghaib (Unseen,… ), and were kept in the appalling coverings, and were close to the utmost limits of non-existence.

From Allah’s - the Exalted- Knowledge of the future occurrences and consequences, and His Encompassment of the happenings of times, and His Gnosis of the places of all destined events;

Allah appointed him (Mohammad –PBUH and HP-) for completion of His Amr (decree,… ), and firm execution of His Command, and implementation of His Definite Decrees.

And he found nations sectarianized in their religions, preoccupied with their fires, and worshippers of their idols, and- despite their knowledge- deniers of Allah.

So Allah enlightened their darkness through Mohammad (PBUH and HP), and cleared away obscurities from their hearts, and uncovered their insights of dark clouds;

and he rose among people for guidance, and delivered them from misguidance, and gave them- who were in dark blindness- insight, and led them to the Right Religion, and called them towards the Straight Path.

Then, Allah took him to Himself, a loving and choosing and inclining and generous taking;

thus, Mohammad is in comfort from the hardships of this world;

indeed surrounded by beneficent Angels, and the Red(z)waan (Pleasedness, … ) of the Merciful Lord, and the nearness of the Almighty King.
Allah has Praised my father, His Prophet, and His trusty over Divine Revelations, and His appointee and selectee from creations, and (Mohammad is whom Allah is) Pleased with;

and Salaam, and Allah’s Mercy and His Blessings, be upon him.
Part 4

Fadak Sermon
Then Lady Fatimah (SBUH) turned to the people and said:

O' the servants of Allah! You are the emblems of His Commands and Forbiddances, and bearers of His Religion and Divine Revelations, and Allah’s trusties among them, and His conveyers to nations.

Among you is the Authority of His Right, and a Covenant which He had brought upon you before, and the Remained, left with you;

that is Allah’s Naateq (expressive,...) Book, and the Truthful Qur’an, and the radiant light, and the shining illumination;

its insights are clear; its secrets, revealable; its appearance, showing; its adherents, envied by others; its adherence, leads to Red(z)waan (Pleasedness of Allah, ...); its listening, directs to Salvation.

By it (Qur’an), Allah’s lightful Divine proofs and Authorities, and His explained precepts, and His warned forbiddances, and His clear proofs, and His sufficient evidences, and his recommended virtues, and His granted permissible matters, and His written laws, are reached.

So Allah has set Belief, a purification for you from polytheism;

and Salaah (specified prayers), cleansing for you from arrogance;

and Zakaah (specified alms), depuration for souls and expansion for sustenance;

and specified Fasting, stabilization for Ekhlaas (devotion, ...);

and Hajj, firmness for Religion;

and justice, harmony and coherence of hearts;

and our (Ahl-Ol-Bayt’s) obedience, system and discipline for religion and nation;

and our Imamate (Divinely ordained lordship), safeguard against disunity;
and Jihad, honor for Islam;
and patience, assistance for deservingness of rewards;
and enjoining goodness, for public welfare and correction;
and kindness to parents, shield against Wrath;
and maintaining relations with relatives, augmentation of numbers;
and Qesaas (Islamic requital), for sparing bloods;
and faithfulness to vows, for becoming subjected to forgiveness and mercy;
and completion of weights and measures, for changing deficiencies;
and forbiddance of drinking Alcohol, for cleansing from atrocities;
and avoidance of accusations, cover against La’n (being far from Allah’s Mercy);
and giving up theft, necessitation for purity, and chastity and virtuousness.

And Allah has forbidden polytheism, for Ekhlaas (purification, devotion,… ) before Him, in His Lordship;
so “be careful of (your duty to) Allah with the care which is due to Him, and do not die unless you are Muslims.” [Qur’an, 3:103];
and obey Allah in what He has commanded and forbidden you;
and certainly it is that “Surely only those of His servants who possess Knowledge, do fear Allah.” [Qur’an, 35:29].
Part 5

Fadak Sermon
Then she (SBUH) continued:

O' People! Know that I am Fatimah, and my father is Mohammad, whom Allah has praised him and his Progeny;

that which I say first, I shall say last;

and I say not what I say mistakenly, nor do what I do, uselessly.

“Surely, a Rasool (Sent Messenger ...) has come to you from among yourselves; grievous to him is, your falling into distress; excessively solicitous about you; to the Believers is he, compassionate, merciful.” [Qur’an, 9:128]

Thus, if you recognize him and identify his lineage, you find him, my father, not (the father of any of) your women;

and the brother of my cousin (Ali), not (the brother of any of) your men;

and certainly great is he, to be derived from, (may the Blessings of Allah be upon him and his progeny).

So, he delivered the Messengership; openly expressing the warnings, inclining away from the path of polytheists, striking (breaking) their backs, seizing their throats, inviting to the Path of his Lord with wisdom and excellent exhortations.

He destroyed idols, and defeated chiefs, until their groups fled, and turned their backs.

Until night uncovered its dawn;

and the Truth revealed its purity;

and the leader of Religion spoke, and devils’ tumults subsided;

and the adherents to hypocrisy were removed;
and the knots and complexes of blasphemy and dissension were untied;

and you spoke the "statement of Ekhlaas" (confession to Uniqueness of Allah) among a few, with bright faces and flat stomachs;

“while you were, on the edge of an abyss of fire” [Qur’an, 3:103];

(while you were) a sib for any drinker, and morsel and opportunity for any greedy person, and flammable object for passing hasty ones, and crushed under the steps of passersby;

you were drinking unclean and fetid (dirtied by camels) water, and eating animal skins and plant leaves.

You were abject outcasts;

“fearing lest you might be abducted by the people” [Qur’an, 9:27] around you.

So Allah -the Exalted, the Glorified- rescued you through Mohammad whom Allah has praised him and his Progeny;

after this and that; after he encountered, the bold of men, and the wolf(-like) among Arabs, and the vicious of the "adherents to the book" (followers of the previous books);

“whenever they kindled a fire for war, Allah put it out”, [Qur’an, 5:65];

or any time, a horn of Satan appeared, or a mouth from the polytheists, opened, he dispatched his brother (Ali) deep into their jaws;

then he (Ali) came back not, until he crushed, and extinguished their fire with his sword.

He (Ali) has been, a struggling person in the cause of Allah, endeavoring one, in the Amr (command, decree, matter,… ) of Allah, close to the Rasool (Messenger) of Allah (Mohammad –PBUH and
HP-), Master of Lords of Allah, (with) his sleeves always rolled up, a benevolent exhorter, endeavourer, struggler;

while you have been living, comfortable lives, self- indulgent, carefree, in security.

You have been waiting for the wheel of times, to turn against us;

and expecting anxiously, the news;

withdrawing from battles;

and running away from wars.
Part 6

Fadak Sermon
So when Allah chose for His Prophet—whom Allah has blessed him and his Progeny—the abode of His Prophets and the place of His chosen ones;

the animosity of hypocrisy became manifest among you;

and the Garment of Religion became worn out;

and the subsided of the misguided spoke out;

and the anonymous of the abominated came out;

and the accepted of the adherents of falsehood, cried out;

then showed off, in your arenas.

And Satan raised his head from his hiding place, calling you;

so he found you, responsive to his invitation;

and attentive to him, in deceits;

then he aroused you, and found you easy;

and provoked you, then found you rageful.

So, you branded, other than your camel;

and entered, other than your water drinking-place.

All this! while the Covenant was near (not much time had passed);

and the cut was still wide open;

and the wound, not yet healed;

and the Rasool was not yet buried!

And hastily, you pretended to be afraid of Fetnah (conspiracy, trial, revolt,…);
“surely in Fethnah, they have fallen down; and certainly Hell encompasses the unbelievers” [Qur’an, 9:49]

This was beyond you! And how could you?! “To where, are you being turned?” [Qur’an, 6:96,… ]

While the Book of Allah is among you;

its issues are clear; and its precepts, brilliant; and its signs, luminous; and its forbiddances, evident; and its commands, obvious;

and surely you have cast it behind your backs!

Do you want to turn away from, and oppose it?! 

Or do you judge and decide based upon, other than it?!

“Evil is this exchange, for the Unjust.” [Qur’an, 18:51]

“And whosoever seeks a religion other than Islam, it will never be accepted from him, and in the Hereafter, he shall be among the losers.” [Qur’an, 3:86]

Then you did not wait long, so that the stampede may become calm, and its bridle, under control;

you then, started to arouse its blazes, and incite its flamers;

and have responded to the call of the deviated Satan;

turning off the Lights of the brilliant Religion;

and obliterating the Sunan (Divine traditions, doings and sayings) of the chosen Prophet.

You have concealed sips, under froth, and walked, secretly and abjectly deceitful, against his (Prophet’s) Ahl and Offspring;
and we have been patient with you, (it feels) like sharp knives, and spears in abdomen!

And now, you claim that there is no inheritance for us!

“Is it the judgment of (the times of) ignorance that they seek?! And who is better than Allah to judge, for people with Certitude (Yaqin)?” [Qur’an, 5:51]

So do you not know?!

Yes! it is obvious to you, just like the bright sun, that surely I am his daughter.
Part 7

Fadak Sermon
O' Muslims! Should I be overcome, in regard to my inheritance?!

O' (Abu-Bakr) son of Abi-Qohafah! Is this in the Book of Allah that you inherit from your father and I do not inherit from my father?!

“Indeed you have brought something strange!” [Qur’an, 19:28]

Have you then deliberately forsaken the book of Allah and thrown it behind your backs, where it has said:

“And Solaymaan (Solomon) inherited Daawood (David)”?! [Qur’an, 27:17]

And (where) it has said in the narrating of the tidings about Zakariya (Zachariah), when he said (to Allah):

"So, grant me from Your Ladon (Close Presence …), a Successor who shall inherit me, and inherit from the Progeny of Ya’qoob (Jacob)”?! [Qur’an, 19:67]

And (where) it has said:

“In the Book of Allah, kindred blood-relatives, some have more priority than others”?! [Qur’an, 8:76]

And (where) it has said:

“Allah instructs you (regarding your inheritance) concerning your children, for the male, the equivalent of the portion of two females”?! [Qur’an, 4:12]

And (where) it has said:

"If a person has left wealth, the bequeathment is for parents and close relatives, based on the Ma’roof (the known, as established by Allah); an obligation upon the pious.”?! [Qur’an, 2:181]

And you claim that there is no share for me, and no inheritance from my father, and no blood relationship between us!!!
So, has Allah made you specific, through a Verse which He has excluded my father from?!!!

Or are you saying that the adherents to two faiths, do not inherit from one another? And were, my father and I, not from the adherents to one faith?!!!

Or are you more knowledgeable to the specifics and generals of Qur'an than my father and my cousin (Ali)?!!!

So here you are (Abu-Bakr), take it! Bridled and saddled; it shall encounter you on the day of your arising (from death).

Then, Allah is the best Judge; and Mohammad (PBUH and HP), (the best) claimant; and Qiaamah (the Judgment Day), (the best) meeting place;

and on the Hour, "the adherents to the falsehood, shall lose" [Qur'an, 25:28]

And it will not benefit you then, when you shall regret.

"And for every (piece of prophesied) information, there is a time and place." [Qur'an, 6:68]

“And you will know, to whom shall come Chastisement and Torment which will disgrace him and the everlasting Chastisement and Torment shall be inflicted upon him.” [Qur’an, 11:40]

Then she (SBUH) turned to the Ansaar (people of Medina who had hosted and supported the Mohaajerin (Migrants) from Mecca to Medina), and said:

O' the group of remaining ones, and the arm of religion, and the supporters of Islam!

What is this connivence and overlooking, in regard to my right, and (this) drowsiness, at the injustice being done to me?!!!
Did not the Rasool (Sent Messenger) of Allah -my father- used to say that “a man is upheld in his offspring”?

How quick, you have done this, and how soon, have rushed into it!!!

While, you have the capability (to help me) in that which I attempt, and the power (to help me) in that which I seek, and endeavor for!

Do you say that Mohammad (PBUH and HP) has passed away?

While this is a great calamity;

extensive is, its rift;

and its rupture, has widen;

and its closed, have opened;

and the earth has become darkened, from his absence;

and stars have become eclipsed, from his grief;

and hopes have turned to despairs;

and mountains have abased;

and the Sanctity, has been damaged;

and respects, have been abolished, after his death.

So, I swear by Allah, this has been the greatest affliction, and the grandest calamity;

no affliction, like this;

and no calamity in the world (like this);
Allah’s -Great is His Praise- Book -in your homes, in your mornings and evenings, and reciting and reading, calling and loudly- has declared this;

and surely before him (Mohammad –PBUH and HP-) this has fallen upon His Prophets and Messengers;

a sure decree, and a definite ordainment;

“And Mohammad is but a Messenger; surely Messengers before him have passed away, so if he dies or is killed, will you turn on your heels? And whoever turns on his heels, he shall never Harm Allah the least, and Allah shall reward the grateful.” [Qur’an, 3:145]
Last part (8)

Fadak Sermon
O' the sons of Qaylah!

Should I be oppressed regarding my father's inheritance, while you are seeing and hearing me, and you are an assembly and gathering, the call has surrounded you, and the matter has reached you?!!!

While you are numerous, prepared, equipped, powerful;

and with weapons and shields?!!

The call has fully reached you, and you are not responding?!

The cry has come to you, and you are not helping?!

While you are characterized as courageous, and known for beneficence and goodness;

and you were the selected that were picked;

and you were the opted, who were preferred;

you fought the Arab, and bore hardship and pain;

and battled nations;

and combated conquerors;

we did not draw aside, and neither did you, we commanded and you obeyed;

until the millstone of Islam started to rotate by us;

and the milk of Times started to flow;

and the arrogance of polytheism surrendered;

and the ebullition of lies and accusations subsided;

and the fires of blasphemy died out;
and the call to chaos was calmed;

and the system of Religion became organized.

So how and where, are you wandering after clarification, and concealing after declaration, and retreating after initiation, and becoming polytheists after faithfulness?!!!

“Do you not fight people who broke their oaths and aimed at the expulsion of the messenger while they fought you first time; do you fear them, while Allah is more deserving to be feared -if you are believers-?!” [Qur'an, 9:13]

Behold! surely I see that you have certainly inclined to voluptuousness and laziness;

and you have put him aside (Ali), who is most deserving to (apply) expansions and restrictions (leadership);

and you have secluded yourselves to indulgence;

and you were saved from straits to abundance;

and you threw out, what you had been keeping;

and you threw up, what you had easily swallowed!!!

“So if you and everyone on earth together, become unbelievers, then surely Allah is All-independent, All-praiseworthy.” [Qur'an, 14:9]

Behold, surely I said what I have said, based on the knowledge of, the forsakenness of helping (me), which has encompassed you;

and, the deceits and betrayal, which have covered your hearts;

BUT yet, that (what I said) was, ebullition of the soul;

and, effusion of the fury;

and, weakness of the strength capacity;
and, overflowing pain of the chest;

and, presenting the Hojjah (proof, reason,… ).

Hence, take it (the camel of Caliphate)! and tighten its saddle-pack to its back, wounded is its back, full of cuts and holes are its feet;

forever shall remain, the shame (of this act)!!!

(Which is) marked with Allah’s Wrath, and eternal disgrace;

(this act is) the link to “the fire of Allah, set ablaze; which overspreads hearts.” [Qur’an, 104:7 & 8]

Therefore, what you have been doing is before Allah’s Eye!

“And the oppressors shall know to what Returning Place they will return.” [Qur’an, 26:228]

And I am the daughter of “the Warner of severe chastisements before you.” [Qur’an, 34:47]

So, “do (what you will), surely we are the doers (too); and wait, certainly we (so) are the ANTICIPATORS.”…. [Qur’an, 11:122 & 123]

The end…

That which has been translated here, is the main text of the Lady Fatima’s "Fadak Sermon". In the first part, she has reminded all of us the infinite number of favors and bounties which Allah have bestowed upon us, favors and bounties which without them life can not be continued. She has also reminded us our duty of being grateful before Allah’s bounteous Grace, and at the same time, she has brought it to our attentions that Allah is the one too ask, for more.

In the second part, she has presented her deep monotheistic beliefs. Points such as the fact that Allah has created every thing from Absolutely Nothing, can help us realize the Greatness and
Uniqueness of Allah, in the midst of all scientific advances in which scientists have been using Allah's creations -such as DNA- to achieve new frontiers.

In humble realization of Allah's total independence, and our neediness, she reminds us that Allah's obedience is the way toward His Paradise, and His disobedience, toward His Wrath.

In the next part, she has talked about her father, being the most obedient servant of Allah. Regarding the selection of her father by Allah, she has revealed certain profound secrets of Creation which clearly proves her Allah Bestowed Knowledge; the meanings of her statements are so profound that if one wishes to touch the depth of her statements, one must study supporting Qur’anic verses and Hadithes, and ... The translation presented here, by no means, does justice to the profound Gnosis hidden in the heart of her celestial words ...

She has described the darkness which people were in, before the coming of Mohammad (PBUH and HP), and the heavenly Light which was bestowed upon people through his presence. She has clearly expressed the greatness of Qur'an, and people’s responsibilities in regard to it. In addition, she has also presented certain reasons behind some of Allah's commands, such as the obedience and the Imamate of the Ahl-Ol-Bayt (PBUT). In her speech which was delivered without prior preparation and while suffering tremendous grief, she has beautifully and knowledgefully, supported all her points by Qur'anic verses.

In the next part, while reminding people who she was, she has talked about all the beautiful things which had happened to people -who, prior to that, were miserable and confused and... - as the result of Mohammad’s (PBUH and HP) Divine Guidance. In this part, the Lady has reminded humankind that Ali (PBUH) was the most obedient, sincere, courageous, endeavoring,... before Allah's and Mohammad's commands. Here, she has also manifested the hypocrisy hidden in some dark hearts. Then, in the next part, she has talked about this hypocrisy surfacing completely after the Prophet's passing away.
It is almost impossible to comprehend the pain that the Lady felt, when observing people being encompassed by Satan's desires, after all the sincere hard work of the loving Prophet of Allah. In every sentence of her, an ocean of gnosis and sadness is hidden …

The point which is clearer than the day, is the fact that the Lady - whose wrath and pleasedness, according to the Prophet, were Allah’s Wrath and Pleasedness- was totally displeased, and based upon her Divinely bestowed Knowledge, she was foreseeing Hell for the hypocrites, those who have tried to turn off the light of the brilliant Religion, and obliterate the Sunnah of the Prophet Mohammad (PBUH and HP); ironically, the same group of people and their followers have been calling themselves the adherents to the Sunnah!!!

She has brilliantly made manifest the existing animosity against the Ahl-Ol-Bayt (PIBUT). She then directed her talks to AbuBakr- the so called caliph, the usurper- and proved that not only he had no Qur’anic Knowledge, but also had disobeyed Allah and the Holy Prophet (PBUH and HP); while, on the other hand, she clearly announced the celestial fact that no one on earth had more Knowledge of the specifics and generals of Qur'an -the Word of Allah- than Mohammad and Ali (PIBUT).

Claiming Fadak -which itself had rightfulness- was the surface of her demand, but claiming the Divinely bestowed, yet usurped, Right of the Amir-Ol-Mo'meneen (PBUH) was what she gracefully attempted; in the last part of the Sermon she directed all attentions to the usurped Caliphate, so that no objection and excuse would remain.

This Sermon -among other documents- is an everlasting document, presenting the rightfulness of the Ahl-Ol-Bayt, and the injustice done against them which as the direct result, has corrupted human path, and has made it so mirage-full.

She even openly asked the people -who had heard over and over about the rightfulness of the Ahl-Ol-Bayt from the Prophet, just a short while back- to rise and help the Ahl-Ol-Bayt; but those people were hypocrites and as self-centered as the leaders whom they had accepted. She quite clearly called their leaders as those who had
broken their Oaths, and based on Qur’an, she reminded the people that they should fear Allah, and not those leaders who had disobeyed Allah, that is if they were Believers!

When you are reading this last part, if your hearts break and if tears start to fall from your eyes, perhaps, Allah-willing, the Lady has touched your hearts with the Truth. The Lady (PBUH) has kept the roaring rivers of the Truth flowing in the lands of Times; as her father has said:

A group, from my Nation, continuously manifests the Truth, until the Amr of Allah shall come….

Our main purpose for narrating her Sermon has also been to keep the Truth alive until her Mahdi (PBUH) shall come; and when he comes, the whole Truth will become manifest … and as the Lady (PBUH) said in the last statement of her Sermon: certainly, we so are the ANTICIPATORS!

It is noteworthy to mention that the "Fadak Sermon" of Lady Fatima (PBUH) has been narrated by both the Shi’ah and the sunni: Sayyed Mortad(z)a in the book "Shaafi" narrated from Aayeshah (Aisha); Sayyed-ibne-Tawoos in the book "Taraa’ef" narrated from Aayeshah; Sheikh Sadooq narrated from the Lady Zaynab (PBUH); the sunni ibne-Abilhadid in the book "Sharh of Nahjol-Balaaghah" narrated from the book "Saqifah" of Ahmad-ibne-Abdul Aziz Johari; Ali-ibne-Eissa Erbali in the book "Kashf-ol-Ghommah";….

O' our beloved Mahdi! The lengthier our separation, the more broken hearted we become; but our broken hearts are nothing compared to the Lady's (PBUH) pure broken heart; Please come back and heal your mother's celestial heart….
Chapter 3

❖ The ‘Ayaadat Sermon
What did Lady Fatima say in her Sermon before her Martyrdom?!

The ‘Ayaadat sermon/Khotbah of Lady Fatima (PBUH)

According to Sunni documents such as “Sharh of Ebne-Abel-Hadid”, “Taarih Tabari”, “Taarih ya'qoobi”,... the house of Ali and Fatima (PBUT) -which was the only house of the Prophet inside the “Masjid-O-Nnabi” and based on Qur’an, Surah Ahzaab, verse 53: O' You who believe! do not enter the Prophet's houses unless permission is granted to you ... was trespassed and disrespected. In this transgression and forceful entrance, lady Fatima (PBUH) was pressed between the wall and the door.... As a direct result of this savage act, the Lady Fatima's bones were crushed and her unborn child was aborted; then the lady, after a period of illness, suffered martyrdom.

During her illness, the women of Mohaajerin and Ansaar(1) came to visit her and ask her how her day was?! And this is her meaningful reply, known as the "Ayaadat Sermon":

“I swear to Allah that I have begun the day, while resenting your world and detesting your men; I have cast them away after trying them; I have detested them after testing them; Shameful is the defiling of honor, the playfulness after seriousness, the slackening of hard rocks, the breaking of spears, the foolishness of judgments and the misguidance of wants; evil indeed are (the works) which their souls have sent ahead before them , (with the result) that Allah's wrath is upon them, and in torment will they abide.(2) Certainly this ( their actions) has taken over their control, and has become a heavy load on their shoulders, and its harms have touched them from every direction; So, may the unjust ones be done away with, and all blessings far from them.

Woe unto them! they snatched it (Successorship of the Prophet) away from the foundations of the Messenger-ship, fundamentals of the Prophethood and Guidance, away from the place of descent of “Rooh-Ol-Amin” and away from he who is aware of every thing in this world and the Hereafter! (The usurpation of Ali's Divinely bestowed Successorship); Surely, that (their actions) is a clear loss; Why do
they have animosity towards Abul-Hassan (Ali) ?I swear to Allah they took vengeance because of his (Ali's) unbiased sword, his little regard for dying (his unprecedented courage), his deadly assaults (against transgressors), his severe encounters and his anger for the sole sake of Allah.

Swear to Allah, (had they accepted Ali's leadership), whenever they would have deviated from the clear Path and from acceptance of the apparent reasons, surely he (Ali) would have returned them to the Path, and supported and carried them on it, and directed them easily and smoothly, in a way that the carrier would not be hurt, and the guide would not be tired, and the traveler would not be harmed; he (Ali) would have directed them to the pure and limpid fountainhead, overflowing with fresh waters, which had no impurity; he (Ali) would have quenched their thirst; he (Ali) would have benevolently, secretly or openly, guided them; while he (Ali) would never favor himself with the worldly things with any personal gain and pleasure, his only goal from obtaining the world would have been, quenching the thirst of the thirsty, and feeding the hungry; thus, the pious would have been distinguished from the worldly people, and the honest from the dishonest.

[Then the Lady Fatima (PBUH) recited the following Qur'anic verses:]

And if the people of the towns had believed and became pious (guarded against evil), We would certainly have opened up for them blessings from the heavens and the earth, but they rejected, so We overtook them for what they had earned. (3)

And for the oppressors of these people, the evil results of their Deeds will soon overtake them, and they shall never be able to make (us) incapable. (4)

Behold! Pay attention and listen, in your life time you shall see (dreadful) wonders!

(God told the Prophet:) if you are astonished; strange and astonishing are their words!(5)
I wish I knew what reason they have for that which they have done? And what they have relied on? On what grip have they held on? (Do they not know) Upon whose progeny (Mohammad's progeny) have they encroached upon and spoken against? Certainly, Evil is the guardian and evil is the associate (they have chosen); (6) evil is the exchange, for the oppressors .(7)

[Lady Fatima(PBUH) was, based on Qur'anic reasoning, telling them that the exchanging of the Divinely ordained leader(Ali) for the unjust leaders would result into many calamities in their and future generations' lives... .]

[lady Fatima continued :]

I swear by Allah they have exchanged the head for the tale, the wise for the incapable. Dishonored and despised be the people who: "they thought that they were acquiring good by their works!" (8)

Behold! Surely, they are the ones who make mischief, but they comprehend not.(9)

Woe onto them! Is then he who gives guidance to the Truth, more worthy to be followed, or he who finds not guidance (himself) unless he is guided? What then is the matter with you? What kind of a judgment is it, that you make?! (10) swear by my own life, it (destiny) has conceived ; so wait, until its fruit comes about ; then milk full buckets of fresh blood and fatal poison; on that time, the dealers of untruth shall suffer; and the ones who come to follow shall know the evil which their forefathers have established; so be happy with your world (now), but prepare your hearts for calamities, beware of sharp swords (against you), and assaults of tyrant enemies, and overwhelming confusions, and atrocity of oppressors who shall plunder your belongings and harvest you all!

ALAS! How can I make you understand, while you have gone astray? Shall we then compel you to accept it, when you are averse to it?! “

(Shi'ah Documents: Behaar-Ol-Anwaar,... )
The women of Mohaajerin and Ansaar went to their men and told them what the lady Fatima (PBUH) had said. Some of their men went to the lady and said:

O' Lady ! If Abul-Hassan (Ali) had told us these, before we made the oath and gave the promise (To Abu-Bakr) we would not have exchanged him (Ali) for anyone else!!!

Lady Fatima (PBUH) replied:

Be quiet! Behold! Your excuse is not accepted after all your pretexts; there is nothing left after all your negligence!!!

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Lady Fatima (PBUH), with her heavenly bestowed knowledge, was predicting all the hardships which humankind would suffer, after turning their backs to the Divinely ordained leader –the infallible Imam Ali (PBUH)-. Leadership of the world under infallible leaders, surely would have guided the world to bliss and happiness. Today, under the leadership of fallible and even tyrant leaders, we are still experiencing what Lady Fatima had predicted over 1400 years ago. The lady (PBUH) mentioned to those people that she could not compel them to accept Divine leadership, and they had to decide for themselves; has humankind not yet decided that heavenly leadership is better than self-centered human leadership? Has human not yet experienced enough lies, dishonesties, wars and... ?

Perhaps some day soon, humankind may realize that it is finally time for infallible and impeccable leadership, all across this world; perhaps that shall be when Allah will allow Mahdi's Appearance... .

Notes:

1-”Mohaajerin” were the people who migrated from Mecca to Medina and “Ansaar” were the people of Medina who helped the “Mohaajerin“.

2-Qur'an, Surah Maa'edah, verse 80
3- Qur'an, Surah A'raaf, verse 96
4- Qur'an, Surah Zomar, verse 51
5- Qur'an, Surah Ra'd, verse 5
6- Qur'an, Surah Hajj, verse 13
7- Qur'an, Surah Kahf, verse 50
8- Qur'an, Surah Kahf, verse 104
9- Qur'an, Surah Baqarah, verse 12
10- Qur'an, Surah Yoonos, verse 35
Part 1

The wage of the Prophetic Mission of the Last Divine Prophet (PBUH & HP)
“… Say [O Prophet Muhammad (PBUH & HP)!]: No wage I ask you [the people] for it [my Mission], except the ‘Mawaddah’ [loving and following] in ‘Al-Qorba’ [The Near Kin].” (Qur’an, Surah 42: Verse 23)

“Say [O Prophet!]: No wage I ask you [the people] for it [my Mission] except he who has willed to take a Path towards his Lord.” (Qur’an, Surah 25: Verse 57)

“Say: That Wage which I have asked you, that therefore is for yourself [for your own good]; my Reward is not but upon Allah. And He is the Witness over all things.” (Qur’an, Surah 34: Verse 47)

When I heard the uproar at the DOOR, I said to myself, “Finally these people have remembered their Prophet’s progeny and their grief!” For, after the Prophet’s demise, those usurpers had left father -the Prophet’s Successor by Allah’s Command - in the Prophet’s shrouding and burial, and instead, contrary to Allah’s and the Prophet’s Command, had gathered in the “Saqifah” to choose a successor among themselves! I said to myself, “Perhaps my mother’s, the Prophet’s daughter’s, Sermon in the Mosque [the Fadak Sermon] has awakened the people and they have got together to support her against the usurpers.”

I thought, “At last they remembered that the Prophet’s progeny are in mourning. Surely they have come to console us; certainly they have remembered their Prophet’s commands and wills about Fatemah and Ali; that he had said: “Fatemah is a part of me, whoever makes her happy has made me happy and whoever makes her angry has made me angry.” (1); and that he had said: “Ali is your Mawla (lord and master).” (2); “Ali is my Successor.” (3) and “he is the Amir-ol-mo’menin (the Commander of all Believers).”(4) …

I thought perhaps they had come to comfort mother and to again swear allegiance to father who was now their Allah-Chosen lord and master; to express their obedience to this Word of Allah about having “Mawaddah” (affection and obedience) toward the Prophet’s AhlalBayt.

But the harsh sounds of the hard knockings at the DOOR made my heart beat faster and faster. Those spiteful knockings, yells and cries
had no fragrance of kindness, affection and the “Mawaddah” which was the Command of Qur’an.

Behind the DOOR ‘Omar shouted: “O ibn AbiTaaleb! Open the door! Swear by God, I’ll burn the house! O Ali! Come out and accept what Muslims have agreed on, otherwise we’ll kill you.” (5)

I couldn’t believe. How could these people attack the house of their Prophet’s daughter and so rudely threat his AhlolBayt to death! They had agreed on what?! Were they not the same people who, in Ghadir Khom, had salaamed and addressed Ali Mortaza with the Allah-Bestowed title of AmirolMo’menin and sworn allegiance to him?! Was it not this very same ‘Omar who had said to father: “felicitations to you Abalhassan, now you have become my Mawla (lord and master) and the Mawla of all believers.”?! Now, how could they threat their Allah-Chosen Mawla and address him so shamelessly and impolitely!

My breath was shortened. I was worried and fearful of what was going to happen.

You- the Prophet’s beloved- went behind the DOOR and said: “You! The astray ones! The deniers of Allah and the Prophet! What do you want from us?”

‘Omar madly shouted: “Tell Ali to come out. If he doesn’t come out I’ll burn this house upon your heads.” (6)

You said: “O ibn Khattaab! You! want to burn my house?!"

He wildly shouted: “Yes.” (7)

You- the joy of the Prophet’s holy heart- wept and said: “O Lord! We express our pain and sorrow to You, regarding the absence of the Chosen Prophet, his Omat’s revolt and animosity against us and their preventing us from the Right which You have determined for us in Qur’an.”

Omar yelled out such insults to the Prophet and his AhlolBayt … that Ears and Eyes didn’t believe what they heard and saw!
At last, they burnt the DOOR. And through the veil of tears I saw you holding the half-burnt DOOR, preventing them from entering. Suddenly the sound of a whip which wound around your arm shook my whole existence. You wailed. I didn’t know what to do. ‘Omar kicked the DOOR and opened it harshly. I was crying and running to you when ‘Omar entered the house and with the cruelest stroke full of rage and hatred pressed you - the fruit of the Prophet’s heart - between the DOOR and the wall … .(8)

You- the prophet’s flower- heaved a heart-rending sigh, and me, too.

You- the light of the Prophet’s eyes- wept, and me, too.

The DOOR nail went into your chest, you- the fruit of the Prophet’s heart-, and I felt the pain in my broken heart.

You- the pillar of the Religion of Allah- fell down on the ground, and I sat down, too.

You called Fezzah and said: “Come and help, swear by Allah they killed my son … .” (9)

And the tears were rolling down my face as I was thinking, “How long have we been waiting for this child’s birth … How many moments have I been counting to finally see and hug him … .

For seconds the world stopped for me as I shut my eyes. The sounds of weeping and cries, and the clamor of the flames had mixed together. Suddenly the sound of a harsh slap opened my eyes; and I couldn’t believe my eyes which saw your earring that kissed the earth before your feet.

Each second was longer than a life time, then in the midst of those dark moments the sounds of father’s firm foot steps cooled my burning heart. He marched to the DOOR angrily and with red eyes; he overawed them by a Heydaric rage. He seized ‘Omar by his collar and struck him to the ground.

We all took a breath of relief. All the people knew that no enemy ever had any hope of escape from those Kheybar-opener hands. But, but
He just shouted: “O you ibn Sahhaak! If it was not for what Allah had written for me and the promise that the Prophet had taken of me, you know that you would have never dared to enter my house.” And he released that coward dastard.

Alas! Alas! The Amir-al-mo’menin was ordered to patience and tolerance, and he was a man who made patience and tolerance weary!

It was so difficult for every one to accept that those hyenas could throw a rope around the neck of the Lion of the Badr battlefield. It was so difficult to accept that those low so-called men could hurt, with whip and sword sheath, the beloved flower of the man for whom “La Fata” was revealed; but the Divine Command of Allah and His Prophet, the survival of the Truth- the True Religion of Allah-, humankind’s Everlasting Salvation, and Allah’s Pleasedness were at stake … .

You- Zahra Marziyah- were his only support after the Prophet. And, when the spiteful lashes wounded and injured you, they pulled father out of the house of the Prophet. We didn’t know whether to hurry and help you or run after him; “O Our Lord! What are we to do?”. (10)

But, in spite all your pains and sufferings, you rose and went after him. Heads turned and eyes gazed at you. You placed the Prophet’s cloak on your head and took his grandsons’ hands. You touched every heart and soul with a heart breaking cry and said: “Swear by Allah, if you don’t let go of Ali, I will go by my father’s grave ,scatter my hair, rend my collar and wail before Allah. And, know that the Prophet Saaleh was not dearer to Allah than my cousin Ali, and neither was the she-camel than me, and nor was her baby-camel than my sons.”

But father advised you to be patient lest you cursed. And, you by the Command of the Infallible Imam of your time, turned back home and said: “I shall remain patient.”

My beloved mother, now that I am seeing off your dead body, I don’t know for which grief should I shed tears; for your black-and-blue
arm? Your broken side? Your bruised cheek? Or for your aborted six-month baby?

I don’t know whether to cry for your pains, or for father’s toils in burying you?

O mother- the lonely oppressed flower of the Prophet’s celestial garden-! What made father impatient in your ablution, cut the string of our lives. Curse be upon him who didn’t respect and honor the Prophet’s only pearl.

Ah! Alas! These ignorant people did not wish to realize that if they had not crawled into dark cellars of self-indulgence and comfort-seeking, people of the world would not had to suffer a dark night for a long time. Curse be upon them who breached their promise and turned their backs to their Allah-Chosen lord and master. I wish they knew which shelter they had sought, to which rope they had clung, and from which Household they had preceded.

I wish these people knew that the oppression imposed today upon the AhlulBayt of the Last Divine Prophet is the base of a malevolent mill that will crush the humans’ bones under the rotation of its apparatus. I wish they knew that the Wage Allah Commanded for the Prophet’s Mission was for their own benefit. I wish they knew that the Commanded Mawaddat was for guiding and helping people not to lose the Strait Path. Curse be upon those blind-hearted people who ungratefully rejected Allah’s most valuable Bounty and thus condemned humankind to a longtime captivity in the dark prison of ignorance, corruption and oppression.

When ‘Omar and Abu-Bakr came to visit you when you were on your sickbed, and pretended to ask forgiveness, you- whose anger and pleasedness, as clarified by the Prophet, caused Allah’s Wrath and Pleasedness(11)- turned your head to the wall and said: “I call Allah and His angels to witness that you made me angry and didn’t please me; when I’ll visit the Prophet I will complain about you”.

You then turned to AbuBakr and said: “Swear by Allah, in every Salaah that I’ll perform, I shall curse and la’n you.” (12)
You also expressed your will to father, asked him to bury you at night and hide your grave lest they attend and pretend to pray on your grave. (13)

Now, my dear mother- the Prophet’s only pearl and Ali’s beloved flower- we are burying you at night and will hide your grave. But we seek refuge with Allah from the days after you! From the hardships these people will impose on the Amir-al-mo’menin (the Commander of all Believers), the Sayyed-al-Wasiyeen (the master of all Successors of Prophets), Imam-al-Mottaqin (the Leader of all the pious), Ali Mortaza! From the loneliness of Hasan and of the sufferings of Hosain! … From the sad Occultation of Mahdi! And …

I wish the sky would fly away tonight, and the earth would pack up and leave, and Zaynab would never take another breath in the air that you do not breathe in … .

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2) Some of the Shia documents: Al-Imamiyeh Wa Tashrih-al-e’teqad VI, p 105; Amali Sadooq p 104 and 113; Amali Mofid p 260; Behar-al-anwar V23 p 234 and V43 p 39; Ershad-al-qoloob ela thawab V2 p 232 and …

Some Sunni documents: Sahih Moslem, Tradition No.4483; Sonan Termadhi VII P319; Mosnad Hanbal V IV p 5; Mostadrak Neyshaboori VIII p 159 ; Sharh Ibn Abil Hadid 16/281 and …

2) The Ghadir Sermon; “whoever I was his Mawla then this Ali is his Mawla” is a definite and Motewaater Hadith for both Shia and Sunni.

3) The Ghadir Sermon. Some of the Sunni documents of this statement of the Ghadir Sermon: Tarikh Tabari VII p 320 (1172/1); Kanz-al-ommal V13 p 114 H36371 and p 133 H 36419; Fara’ed-al-semtain VI p54 ch5 H19 and VII p 243 ch47 H517 and …
4) The Ghadir Sermon

5) al-hedaya al-kobra p 406; Behar-al-anwar V53 p 18

6) Behar-al-anwar V30 p293; Book of Solaym 83-84, 250

7) Sunni Ansab al-ashraf VI p586

8) Noting to this point that those Hadithes that contain excellences and virtues of lady Zahra (Peace Be Upon Her) have been stated widely in Shia’s books; here we just present one sample of these traditions stated by the Prophet Mohammad(Peace Be Upon Him & His Progeny) about the virtues of Lady Zahra (Peace Be Upon Her) that also exists in the books authentic for the Sunnis:

Joweyni- one of the highly trusted Sunni religious figures- has stated a hadith by Prophet Mohammad(Peace Be Upon Him & His Progeny) about Lady Zahra (Peace Be Upon Her) in his book “Fara’ed-al-semtyayn”:

And about my daughter Fatemah; she is surely the master of all ladies of the all worlds from past and future; and she is a part of me and she is the light of my eyes and she is the fruit of my heart. And she is my soul and spirit between my two sides. And she is a (heavenly) Huriyah who is like Human. Whenever she stands before her Lord in her adytum of praying, her light shines for the angels of the sky as the light of stars of the sky shines for people on earth. At this time Allah, Honored and Glorified, says to His angels: O My angels! Look at Fatemah, master of my servants, who stands before me while her sides and shoulders tremble from my awe and has come to worship Me with her heart. I call to witness you, the angels, that I have surely saved her Shias from the Fire … .

9) Some of the Shia documents: Al-hedaya al-kobra p 178-179 and 407; Behar-al-anwar V53 p19 and V30 p294; Book of Solaym p 85; Ehtejaj p 83; Amali Sadooq p114; Behar-al-anwar 101/44 and …

Some of the Sunni documents: Fara’ed al-semtyayn Joweyni VII p 35 and …
10) Some of the Shia documents which have stated the events of the attack to lady Fatemah Zahra (Peace Be Upon Her)’s house:


Some of the Sunni documents which have stated the events of the attack to lady Fatemah Zahra (Peace Be Upon Her)’s house:


11) Some Sunni documents: Dhakha’er-ol-oqba, p8283; al-Mostadrak ala-Ssahihain, Hakem Neyshaboori, V3, p167, h4730; and …

Some Shia documents: Ehtejaj, Ja’fari translation, V2, p258; and …

12) Al-shafi 4/214; Sharh Ibn Abi al-Hadid 16/281; Al-Imamah wa al-siyasah Ibn Qotaybah VI p12,13

13) Some Shia documents expressing Lady Fatemah (Peace Be Upon Her)’s will to a hidden and night burial: Kafi VI p458; Amali Mofid p281; and…
Some Sunni documents expressing Lady Fatemah (Peace Be Upon Her)’s will to a hidden and night burial: Sharh Hadid V6 p50; Al-mosannef San’ani VIII p521; Ta’wil Mokhtalef al-hadith Ibn Qotaybah p300; Ansab al-ashraf VII p34; Al-esti’ab V IV p1898; and … 

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[From the book: Al-Hojoom, written by: AbdoZzahra Mahdi]
Part 2

Secret burial 1
Why Hadrat Fatemah Zahra (PBUH) was buried at night and why the location of her grave is unknown?!

If the founder or the director of an international company dies, how will his funeral be held?

Let us guess who will be present at his funeral!

We think his assistants, employees and all the significant people of that company, even the lowest-in-rank employees, will be certainly present.

And we also think that his memorial services and anniversaries will be held at his graveside … .

Every year on the Day of Ashura, Imam Hosain (PBUH)’s holy shrine is full of millions of pilgrims. At the anniversary of Imam Reza (PBUH)’s martyrdom his holy shrine is overcrowded, because everyone wants to show his/her respect and love to his/her Imam.

Now, at the time of the martyrdom anniversary of the only daughter of the Prophet of Islam, where should we go to hold the mourning rituals?

Why the people of Medina of about 1420 years ago were not present at the funeral of the only daughter of their Prophet? For, surely if they were present, they would have known the location of the grave!

Why were those who had introduced themselves as the successors of the Prophet, not present at this funeral?

Truly, WHY did they not participate at this funeral?!

This is a question which must be asked of history.

Some people nowadays claim that in the early years of the history of Islam, no one had any disagreements with others, and all the people of that time lived in peace and harmony with one another. They claim that conflicts between the Sunni and the Shi’a began later. But if this
is so, then why no one, except the AhlolBayt and a few friends of Hadrat Ali (PBUUT), was present at the funeral of the only daughter of the Prophet?

The Shi’a have no doubts whatsoever regarding the martyrdom of Hadrat Fatemah Zahra (PBUH); regarding the events leading to, and the men causing her martyrdom.

I.e. in the authoritative Shi’a books and the belief of the authoritative Shi’a scholars, it is certain that hypocrites (monaafeqeen) attacked the house of Hadrat Ali and Hadrat Zahra (PBUUT) and actually killed Hadrat Zahra (PBUH) and their unborn son, Hadrat Mohsen (PBUH).

But do the Sunni- those who are constantly facing their scholars’ denial of this fact that Hadrat Zahra (PBUH) was killed by Hypocrites- can also accept this reality?

This was the question which prompted us to search and find the answer in Sunni books; those books which are considered authoritative by them. In fact, we tried to find whether or not an impartial researcher, in other than Imamiyah (Shi’a) documents, can find some clues directing to the martyrdom of Hadrat Fatemah Zahra (PBUH).

The first step was to find some clues about the way Hadrat Zahra (PBUH) was buried and the manner her funeral was held.

Sahih Bokhaari (Bukhari) is a book which is considered as the most authoritative hadith book by the Sunni. Bukhari in his book in hadith 3913 and also in vol. 4, hadith 3998 narrates:

… When she [Hadrat Zahra (PBUH)] died, her husband Ali, buried her at night and did not inform Abubakr …

But, why the Prophet’s daughter was buried secretly and at night, and why Abubakr and ‘Omar (Umar) did not perform prayer at her remains?

To find the answer, we referred to the book of the Sunni ibn Abi Al-Hadid. In his Explanation of Nahj-al-Balaaghah vol. 6, p. 50, he says:
What is true by me [in my opinion] is that she [Hadrat Fatemah Zahra (PBUH)] died while she was angry with Abubakr and ‘Omar, and she requested that they would not perform Prayer at her remains …

The Sunni ibn Qotaybah Dinewari in the book Ta’wil Mokhtalef Al Hadith, has written:

She [Fatemah (PBUH)] swore to never speak with him [Abubakr] and made her will to be buried at night so he [Abubakr] would not be present at her funeral. (vol. 1, p. 300)

So this secret and night burial was Hadrat zahra's (PBUH) will herself. But why?

Bukhari in hadith 2862 of his Sahih provides the answer:

Fatemah the daughter of the Rasool of Allah was angry and cast him [Abubakr] off and did not discontinue the casting off until she died. (1)

So, according to Bukhari Hadrat Zahra (PBUH) died while she was extremely angry with Abubakr and had cast him off; this means that she never forgave him.

It is interesting to know that Bukhari in the next pages of this book in hadiths 3437 and 3483 narrates that the Prophet Mohammad (PBUH & HP) has said:

Fatemah is a part of me, whoever makes her angry, has made me angry.

And when we searched further in Sunni documents, we found traditions that emphasized on this principle:

Verily Allah, Honored and Glorified, becomes angry with Fatemah's anger and becomes pleased with her pleasedness. (2)
This means that any anger presented by Hadrat Zahra (PBUH) was actually an act approved by Allah and far from individual and worldly drives.

This basic principle is many times repeated in meaning (Motawaater Ma’nawi); i.e. in authoritative books several traditions including from the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH & HP) exist that all have this very same meaning and content.

The people who annoyed the daughter of the Prophet of Allah so much so that she never forgave them and never discontinued her anger until she died, certainly have annoyed the Rasool of Allah; and what is the fate of those who annoy the Rasool of Allah?

Allah (SWT) in Qur’an has said:

Verily those who annoy Allah and His Rasool, Allah La’ns them (keeps them away from His Mercy) in the world and the Hereafter, and has prepared for them a disgraceful torment.

(Qur’an, Surah Ahzaab (33), verse 57)

Therefore, even the non-Shi’a actually believe that Hadrat Zahra’s (PBUH) anger is Allah’s anger, and whoever has annoyed her, has annoyed the Prophet (PBUH & HP); and Allah in Qur’an has said that whoever annoys Allah and the Prophet is La’ned by Allah in this world and the other world, and a disgraceful torment is prepared for him.

Thus according to Sunni documents, the fate of the first caliph of the Sunnis is extremely terrible!!!

Then we thought that the Sunnis may think that Hadrat Zahra (PBUH) had not shown her anger to Abubakr and thus he was not aware of her anger, to make amends.

We got the answer from ibn Qotaybah, one of the greats of Sunnis.

In his book, Al-Imamat wa Al-Siyaasat (vol. 1, p. 12-13), he narrates that Abubakr and ’Omar went to visit Hadrat Zahra (PBUH):
When they [Abubakr and Omar] went to her, she [Hadrat Fatemah (PBUH)] turned her face to the wall;

They [Abubakr and ‘Omar] said Salaam to her but she did not reply their Salaam;

She [Fatemah (PBUH)] said: I call Allah and the angels as witnesses that you two made me angry and did not cause my pleasedness;

… And she said [to Abubakr]: By Allah, I will La’n you in every Salaat I pray.

Why Hadrat Zahra (PBUH) was so angry with them? What had they done?

In Faraa’ed-al-semtayn (vol. 2, p. 34 and 35) compiled by Joweyni, one of the great scholars of Sunnis, there is a tradition by the Prophet Mohammad (PBUH & HP) in which the Prophet (PBUH & HP) had prophesied regarding the future of Hadrat Fatemah Zahra(PBUH):

… Whenever I see her, I remember what is going to happen to her after me, as if I am with her seeing her while disrespect has entered her house, and her honor violated, and her right usurped, and she has been deprived of her inheritance, and her side has been broken, and her fetus has been aborted while she cries: Yaa Mohammadah! But no one answers her … So she will be the first one of the Ahl-al-Bayt who will join me; she will come to me while she is sad, suffered, sorrowful, usurped and KILLED. And at that moment I shall say: O Allah! La’n (Keep your Mercy away from) whoever oppressed her, and torment whoever usurped her right, and debase whoever insulted her, and keep in the Fire forevermore whosoever stroke her side till it caused her son to be aborted. Then the angels will say: Aameen.

As we know, it is a Qur’anic fact that the Prophet (PBUH & HP) does not say any thing out of worldly human desire, rather all he has ever said have been Divine Revelation (Qur’an, Surah Najm (53), verses 3 and 4). So whatever he (PBUH & HP) had prophesied was certainly going to happen; i.e. the offenses and crimes he predicted, surely did happen to Hadrat Zahra (PBUH). Undoubtedly some one did murder
her, i.e. She was martyred; for, the exact word “MAQTOOL, KILLED” has been used even in the Sunni hadiths.

Notes:

(1) Sahih Al-Bukhari, hadith 2862; similar narration in Mosnad of Ahmad ibn Hanbal, hadith 25

Other Sunni documents narrating: “Hadrat Zahra (PBUH)’s anger at Abubakr”:


Some Shi’a documents narrating "Hadrat Zahra (PBUH)’s anger at Abubakr”:

Al-Omda (written by ibn al Batriq Heli who died in 600 A.H.), printed by society of instructors, p. 391; Al-Tara’ef (written by Sayyed ibn Taawoos who died in 664), printed by al-Khayaam, p. 258; Nahj-al-Haq wa Kashf-al-Sedq (written by Allaameh Helli who died in 726), p. 360; Wosool-al-Akhyaar-ela-Osool-al-Akhibaar (written by Abd al Samad al Amali, the father of Shaikh Bahaa’I, died in 982), p. 69;

Some renowned Shi'a scholars narrating such traditions:

Part 3

Secret burial 2
With this primary look as curious researchers, we then examined non-Imamiyah documents to find clues to what the Prophet (PBUH & HP) had said; because one guess was that perhaps the rulers with whom Hadrat Zahra (PBUH) was angry, had played a role in these crimes against the Lady.

So as the first step, we searched to see whether anyone had entered her house and had violated her honor; whether anyone had usurped her right and her inheritance, and whether anyone had broken her side and killed her son.

The next step was to find out whether AbuBakr and ‘Omar had participated in these crimes or not.

The third step was to see whether we could find any non-Imamiyah (non-Shi’ah) documents stating that Hadrat Zahra (PBUH) had expressed the cause of her anger with AbuBakr and ‘Omar.

After many searches and with so much surprise, we found documents that not only explained these crimes but clearly spoke of the key roles played by the first and the second so called caliphs in these crimes!

(3)

Balaadhori, considered as a great scholar among the Sunni, in his book, Ansaab-al-Ashraaf had said:

The first caliph, after seeking allegiance for his caliphate, when seeing that [Hadrat] Ali [PBUH] had not pledged allegiance, sent ‘Omar ibn Khattaab to attack his house -the House of Revelation- and said:

Bring him [Hadrat Ali (PBUH)] to me in the most severe way.


Ibn Abd Rabbeh (died 328) in Aqd-al-Farid, under the title: the story of Saqifah, vol. 3, p. 64, printed in Egypt, has narrated that AbuBakr said:
If they refuse to come, engage in battle with them.

Abu al Fada', died 732, in al-Mokhtasar-fi-Akhbaar-al-Bashar, vol. 1, p. 156 has reported:

The second caliph with a blaze of fire went at the door of the House of Revelation.

Ibn Qotaybah Dinewari, died 276, in Imamat wa al-Siyaasat said:

The leader of the attackers ordered others to bring wood and shouted:

Swear by the God Whom my life is in His hands, do come out or surely I will burn this [House] with whoever is in it.

So they said to him:

O Aba Hafzah ['Omar]! Fatemah is in this house!

He ['Omar] shouted:

Even if she is in there ...

[Hadrat] Fatemah [PBUH] stranded behind the door said:

To me, no one's visit is as unpleasant and as disgusting as your visit;

You left the body of the Rasool of Allah in our hands while you divided caliphate among yourselves and did not ask us about it and did not return [our] Right [of Successorship] to us.

Balaadhor in Ansaab-al-Ashraaf, vol. 1, p. 586 under the title: Amr Saqifah , hadith 1184, printed in Egypt, has said:

Fatemah behind the door addressed the second caliph and said:

O ibn Khattaab! Am I seeing you while you are burning my house?!
‘Omar said:

Yes! This is more indisputable (Mohkam) than your father’s Religion!!

This is so shocking that those so called rulers claimed that they wanted to uphold the Religion of the Prophet of Allah (PBUH & HP) by usurping the Allah Commanded Successorship of Hadrat Ali (PBUH) and by burning the only daughter of the Prophet and her small children, the Prophet’s grand children, (PBUUT)!!

What was the danger of a bereaved lady with four small children for the rulers and their rulership that they wanted to burn them?!!

They attacked a House where only a few days before, the Death Angel -seeking the Rasool of Allah (PBUH & HP)- had asked permission for entrance; the House where the Prophet (PBUH & HP) not so long ago had quite a few times stood at its Door and said Salaam to its people and had recited the verse of Tathir (4) addressing them!!

Nazzaam who is the fourth significant character of Sunni Mo'tazeli believes that:

In the day of allegiance, ‘Omar struck Fatemah's abdomen causing the abortion of her son. ‘Omar shouted: Burn this house with whoever is in it; while no one was there except Ali and Fatemah and Hasan and Hosain [PBUUT].

(As cited by Shahrestaani, al-Melal-wa-al-Nehal, p. 83)

Bukhari in his Sahih, hadith 3913, has said:

Verily, Fatemah, the daughter of the Prophet, sent a person to AbuBakr and claimed her inheritance of the Rasool of Allah;

This claim included: Fay’, Fadak, and the rest of the Khoms of Kheybar …;

But AbuBakr refused to give her anything of these properties.
Although each of the matters mentioned, from attacking the House of Revelation, violating the honor of the Ahl-al-Bayt of the Rasool of Allah (PBUUT), to striking Hadrat Zahra(PBUH), causing the pre-birth martyrdom of Hadrat Mohsen (PBUH) and usurping the properties of Hadrat Fatemah Zahra (PBUH), was enough on its own for Hadrat Zahra's everlasting Anger -which is Allah’s Anger-, it is better to ask the daughter of the Mercy for the Worlds -i.e. the Prophet Mohammad(PBUH & HP)- herself what caused her extreme Anger, an everlasting Anger that she never gave it up even in the last moment of her life!

The Sunni ibn-Abi-al-Hadid in his Explanation of Nahj-al-Balaaghah, vol. 16, p. 233 has said that when the women of Mohaajerin and Ansaar went to visit Hadrat Zahra(PBUH) while she was in her sickbed and asked her how she was, Hadrat Fatemah Zahra [PBUH] answered:

I swear by Allah that I have begun the day, while resenting your world and detesting your men;

I have cast them away after trying them, I have detested them after testing them; …

Evil indeed are (the works) which their souls have sent ahead before them, (with the result) that Allah's wrath is upon them, and in torment will they abide; …

Woe unto them! They snatched it (Successorship of the Prophet) away from the foundations of the Messenger-ship, fundamentals of the Prophethood and Guidance, away from the place of descent of “Rooh-Ol-Amin” and away from he who is aware of every thing in this world and the Hereafter! (i.e. away from the AhlulBayt);

Surely, that (their actions) is a clear loss; Why do they have animosity towards Abul-Hassan (Ali) ?I swear by Allah they took vengeance because of his (Ali’s) unbiased sword, his little regard for dying (his unprecedented courage), his deadly assaults (against transgressors), his severe encounters and his anger for the sole sake of Allah.
Swear by Allah! If they had left off the Rein (of Allah Bestowed Leadership), he ['Ali (SBUH)] would have ridden it gently and easily, and would have taken this Camel safely to the destination, and its movement would not have been a painful one; …

To which shelter they have depended upon, and to which rope they have held on?

Do they not know)Upon whose progeny (Mohammad's progeny) have they encroached upon and spoken against?

Certainly, Evil is the guardian and evil is the associate (they have chosen); evil is the exchange, for the oppressors! … …

Woe onto them! Is then he who gives guidance to the Truth more worthy to be followed or he who finds not guidance (himself) unless he is guided?! What then is the matter with you? What kind of a judgment is it that you make?!

Swear by my own life, it (destiny …) has conceived ; so wait, until its fruit comes about ; then milk full buckets of fresh blood and fatal poison; on that time, the dealers of untruth shall lose; and the ones who come to follow shall know the evil which their forefathers have established; … But prepare your hearts for calamities, beware of sharp swords (against you), and assaults of tyrant enemies, and overwhelming confusions, and atrocity of oppressors who shall plunder your belongings and harvest you all!

ALAS! How can I make you understand, while you have gone astray? Shall we then compel you to accept it, when you are averse to it?!

As we see, Hadrat Zahra (PBUH)- one of the Allah Chosen criteria for recognizing Allah’s Pleasedness, Anger and Wrath- was displeased and angry with the rulers for usurping the Allah Bestowed Right of Caliphate of the Amir-al-Mo'menin, Hadrat Ali (PBUH), and consequently for deviating Allah’s Religion from the Path Allah had determined, and thus as a result, spreading corruption and abomination.
To illuminate the Right Path for humankind until the end of time, Hadrat Zahra(PBUH) as her will requested Hadrat Ali(PBUH) to bury her in secret and at night; and in this way she presented humankind her stance in regard to the first and the second so called caliphs.

We should never forget that even according to non-Imamiyah documents:

(1) Hadrat Zahra’s anger and wrath was never from human desires and drives but only for the cause of Allah;

(2) Whoever has annoyed and made her angry, has actually annoyed and made the Prophet angry and whoever has annoyed and made the Prophet angry Allah has La’ned him in this world and in the other world and has prepared a disgracing torment for him!!!

And let us always remember that Allah has told us:

O, you who believe! Do not adhere to those on whom is the Wrath of Allah, since they are The ones who have no hope in coming Of the Hereafter, just as the pagans Who are in despair about those buried In the graves.

(Qur’an, Surah Momtahenah (60), verse 13)

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Notes:

(3) Some Sunni documents in which the events of the attack to the House of Revelation has been narrated:


Some Shi’a documents in which the events of the attack to the House of Revelation has been narrated:

Ketab Salim, p. 82 and p. 249; al Tab’at al Mohaqeqa, vol. 2, p. 577-599, Hadith 4 and p. 862-876, H48; al-Ehtejaaj p. 82-89 (written by Shaikh Tabresi, died 6th century); Rahat-al-Arwaah, p. 59-60 (written by Abu Sa'id Sabzevari, died 8th century); Kaamel Bahaa’l, vol. 1, p. 304-308 (Written by Emaad al Din Tabari, died 9th century); al-Hedaayat-al-Kobra, p. 163-164 and p. 178-179 and p. 401-418 (written by Hosain ibn Hamdan, died 334); al-Shaaafi-fi-al-Imamat vol. 3, p. 241, Talkhis-al-Shaaafi, vol. 3, p. 76; Masaaleb-al-Nawaaseb (written by ibn Shahr Ashoob Mazandaraani, died 588); Tajrid-al-aqaa’ed (written by Khaajeh Nasir al Din Toosi, died 672); Qawaa’ed Aqaa’ed Aal Mohammad (PBUT), p. 270 (written by ‘Ez al Din Deylami, died 711); Explanation of Tajrid-al-Aqaa’ed p. 376-377 (written by Allaammeh Helli, died 726); Ershaad-al-Qoloob p. 285-286 (written by Hasan ibn Mohammad Deylami, died 711); al-Mohtadar, p. 44, 45 (written by Hasan ibn Solaymaan Helli, died 8th century); al-Naafe’ Yawm al-Hashr, under the title: chapter 11th with its explanation, p. 49 (written by Faazel Meqdaad, died 826); Zawaa’ed-al-Fawaa’ed and in Behaar-al-Anwaar, vol. 98, p. 353 (written by Sayyed Radi al Din Ali the son of Sayyed ibn Tawoos, died 9th century); Meftah-al-Baab (printed with chapter 11th), (written by ibn Makhdoom Arabshaahi Jorjaani, died 976); al-Mojaali p. 417 (written by ibn Abi Jomhoor Ahsaa’l, died 10th century); al-Haashiyeh-‘alaa-Sharh-al-Tajrid, p. 258-259 (written by Moqaddas Ardebili, died 993); Mohreq-al-Qoloob, p. 31-33 (written by Molla Mahdi Naraaqi, died 1209); Helyat-al-Abraar, vol. 2, p. 601-603 and p. 652-676 (printed by al-Elmiyaat), (written by Sayyed Haashem Bahraani, died 1107); Madinat-al-Ma’aajez, vol. 2, p. 244-247 (written by Sayyed Haashem Bahraani); Ketab al-Roj’at, p. 100-134 (written by Mohammad

(4) Verily, Allah’s Will is to remove away all impurity from You, Ahl-al-Bayt, and to Purify you with a Thorough Purification. (Qur’an, Surah Ahzaab (33), Verse 33)
Part 4

Hadrat Fatima (PBUH) and Imamat
‘Allaamah Amini the compiler of al-Ghadir, a prominent Shi’ah ‘Allaamah (scholar), was having a sitting with tens of non-Shi’ah scholars, each of whom had memorized thousands of sunni hadiths. Here we are going to try to depict the gist of the milieu of that sitting in form of a debate:

Non-Shi’ah scholars: Why do the Shi’ah talk so much about “Imamat”, while there are many important matters in Islam, such as Salaah (prayers), Sawm (fasting), Hajj and alike?

‘Allaamah (while humbly calling Imam Ali, the Amir-Ol-Mo’menin, (PBUH) in his heart): have you heard the following Hadith (Narrative) from the Prophet Mohammad (PBUH & HP)?

Any one who passes away without having a profound gnosis about the “Imam” of his time, he has died, a death of Jaaheliyah (Ignorance, without Islam).

(Shi’ah Documents: Osool Kaafi, ...) (Sunni Documents: Sahih Moslem, Yanaabi’-Ol-Mawaddah, ...)

Non-Shi’ah scholars: Yes, we are familiar with this Hadith from the Prophet.

‘Allaamah: In the book “Sahih Bokhari” which is one of the most important and respected Sunni documents, there are many Narratives from the Prophet of Islam (PBUH & HP) who has said that Fatima (the Prophet's daughter) is considered the most virtuous, exalted and accepted female by Allah, both in this world and the Hereafter. Do you accept this exalted position for Fatima?

Non-Shi’ah scholars: That which you said is written in our books and therefore, we accept it.

‘Allaamah: In the same book, Sahih Bukhari, it has been mentioned that Fatima (PBUH) was not pleased with the first caliph, AbuBakr, after her father, and she did not talk to him while she was alive. Do you verify this?
Non-Shi‘ah scholars: Yes, that is mentioned in our books too.

‘Allaamah: If we all believe that Allah considers and accepts Fatima as the most exalted lady ever created by Him, and also, if we believe that, a person dieing without accepting the "Imam", will not be considered a Muslim in the Hereafter, then we must conclude that Fatima believed in an “Imam” at time of her death. Is that correct?

Non-Shi‘ah scholars: Yes, the first caliph, AbuBakr, was her Imam.

‘Allaamah: But, according to your own documents, Fatima was not even talking to the first caliph, AbuBakr, at time of her death. Then who was her “Imam”?

They had nothing to say!

‘Allaamah: Yes, Fatimah's "Imam" was ‘Ali (Pbut); this is why the Shi‘ah talk so much about “Imamat”, because being a true Believer and acceptance of all deeds such as Salaah, Sawm, Hajj and …, depends on believing in “Imamat”.

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O' Fatimah! For the uncompromisable Truth, you are an undeniable manifestation;

O' Fatimah! For souls and broken hearts, your steadfastness is a celestial inspiration.