Khubaib ibn Adi



Level: Beginner

Khubaib ibn Adi al-Ansari was one of the brave companions of Prophet Muhammad who demonstrated great sacrifice and faith in the path of Allah. He was born in Medina and belonged to the Aws tribe. Khubaib embraced Islam at an early age and joined the Prophet in several battles, including the Battle of Badr and the Battle of Uhud.

After the Battle of Uhud, the Prophet sent a group of ten companions on a reconnaissance mission to gather information about Quraysh and its allies. Khubaib ibn Adi was among this group. During the mission, the group was ambushed by Banu Lahyan, allies of Quraysh. The ambush consisted of one hundred men, and the companions fought bravely, but due to the overwhelming difference in numbers, most of them were martyred, while Khubaib and one other companion were captured.

After being captured, Khubaib was sold to Quraysh, who sought revenge on the Muslims for their losses in the Battle of Badr. He was purchased by the family of Al-Harith ibn Amir, whose father had been killed by Khubaib in Badr, and they decided to exact their revenge on him. In Mecca, Khubaib was imprisoned while awaiting execution. During his captivity, he was miraculously provided with food that was not available in all of Mecca. Some women who were tasked with bringing him food reported that they found him eating grapes while chained, even though there was not a single grape in Mecca at the time.

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When the time for his execution came, Ouraysh took Khubaib to Tan'im. There, Khubaib requested permission perform two units of prayer before his death. He prayed two brief units and then said, "If it were not that you would think I prolonged my prayer out of fear of death, I would have prayed longer." After this, Khubaib was crucified, and this marked the first time in Arab history that a man was crucified. As he was hanging on the cross, Khubaib invoked a curse on his killers, saying, "O Allah, count them in number, kill them one by one, and do not leave any of them."



After finishing his prayer, Khubaib looked resolutely at his executioners and recited:

"I do not care, as long as I am killed as a Muslim, On which side I fall for the sake of Allah."

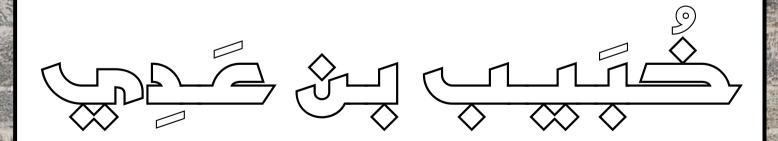
At that moment, the leaders of Quraysh asked him, "Do you wish that Muhammad was in your place and you were safe in your home?" Khubaib replied, "By Allah, I would not wish to be safe among my family and children while Muhammad seven gets pricked by a thorn."

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As Quraysh began to kill Khubaib by cutting parts of his body while he was still alive, he turned his face towards the sky and implored his Lord, saying, "O Allah, we have delivered the message of Your Prophet, so inform him of what is being done to us." Allah answered his prayer, and while the Prophet was in Medina, he was overwhelmed with a strong sense that his companions were in distress, and he saw a vision of one of them being crucified. The Prophet called for Al-Miqdad ibn Amr and Al-Zubayr ibn al-Awwam, who quickly rode their horses, traversing the land until they reached the desired location. They found Khubaib's body, lowered it, and buried him, and to this day, no one knows where Khubaib's grave is.

The story of Khubaib ibn Adi is a powerful testament to patience and steadfastness in upholding the truth. It left a profound impact on the hearts of Muslims, who viewed it as a shining example of true courage and faith.

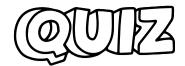


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- 1. Khubaib ibn Adi was captured during a reconnaissance mission and was sold to the _____ tribe.
- 2. Khubaib's execution took place in the area of _____, which is known as the first place where a man was crucified in Arab history.
- 3. Before his execution, Khubaib performed two _____.
- 4. During his imprisonment, Khubaib was provided with ______ that was not available in Makkah.

TRUE OR FALSE

- 1. Khubaib ibn Adi was born in Makkah.
- 2. Khubaib participated in the Battle of Badr and the Battle of Uhud.
- 3. Khubaib and his companions were ambushed by the Banu Lahyan during a reconnaissance mission.
- 4. Khubaib was the first person to be crucified in Arab history.
- 5. When Khubaib was imprisoned, he was miraculously given food, including grapes, even though grapes were not available in Makkah at that time.
- 6. Khubaib was executed immediately after he was captured by the Quraysh.
- 7. Khubaib invoked a curse on his executioners, asking Allah to count them and kill them one by one.
- 8. Khubaib was happy to trade places with Prophet Muhammad substitution.



Multiple Choice Questions:

- 1- Where was Khubaib ibn Adi born?
- a) Makkah
- b) Medina
 - c) Ta'if

- d) Mecca
- 2- Why was Khubaib captured by the Quraysh?
- a) He was a prisoner of war from the Battle of Uhud
- b) He was a spy for the Prophet
- c) He was involved in the Battle of Badr and was captured during a reconnaissance mission
- d) He was betrayed by his own people
- 3- What miracle occurred while Khubaib was imprisoned?
- a) He received food from the Prophet
- b) He found water in his prison cell
- c) He was provided with grapes, which were not available in Makkah at that time
- d) He was set free by the Quraysh
- 4- What did Khubaib request before his execution?
- a) To write a letter to his family b) To perform two units of prayer
- c) To have a final meal d) To speak with Prophet Muhammad
- 5- What was Khubaib's response when asked if he wished that Prophet Muhammad swere in his place?
- a) "I would prefer to be safe with my family and children."
- b) "Yes, I wish I were with the Prophet ..."
- c) "I would not wish to be safe among my family while Muhammad even gets pricked by a thorn."
- d) "I wish to die with the Prophet ..."



Answer the Questions

1- What was Khubaib's reaction when asked if he would prefer Prophet Muhammad sto be in his place during his execution?

2- How did Khubaib demonstrate his faith during his final moments?

3- What did the Prophet see experience upon hearing about the martyrdom of Khubaib?

4- How did Khubaib's story impact the early Muslim community?