In The Name Of Allah The Most Compassionate Very Merciful
All Praise Due To Allah And Peace And Blessings Be Upon His Beloved Messenger

The Great Battle of Badr (Islamic Discourse)

The Battle of Badr is the most famous Battle between Islam and Kufr. The battle took place on the 17th of the month of Ramadan, year 2, A.H. at the place called Badr located between Makkah Mukarramah and Madinah Munawwarah. The Muslims were broke in order to arrange the supply of weapons and they were also less in number. In total, they were 313 Muslim soldiers including the youth of Muhaajir and Ansaar, their children and elders in the leadership of the Holy Prophet – may Allah send peace and blessings upon him – against the huge army of kuffaar.

The lack of weaponry was so tragic that there were only 6 armors in the Muslim army and eight swords and the number of the soldiers in kuffaar’s army was 1,000 who were brave fighters. They had 100 horses of high standard, 700 camels and different kinds of disastrous weapons. The restlessness of Muslims at that time was a natural fact. The Holy Prophet – may Allah send peace and blessings upon him – was praying and supplicating to Allah Almighty the whole night:
“O My Lord! If these few individuals are killed then there will be no one to worship you on the surface of earth till the day of Resurrection.”

(Al-Seerat Al-Nabawiyyah Li Ibn Hishaam, Vol. 1, p. 554)

His shawl fell off his shoulder while making Du’a and he began to cry and the tears were flowing through his eyes. Hazrat Abu Bakr, his companion in the cave, could not stand to see him getting restless. He took the shawl and placed it over his shoulders, help his hand and said in a trembled voice with utmost respect, “Let it be. Allah Almighty will definitely fulfil his promise.”

He concluded his Du’a after the request of his companion and said something which it is fitted for a Messenger:

سَیُهْزَمُ الْجَمْعُ وَیُوَلُّوْنَ الدُّبُرَ

Now this multitude is being driven out and they will turn their backs.

(Al-Qamar 54, Verse 45)

The Holy Prophet – may Allah send peace and blessings upon him – gave such an encouraging speech that the blood running through the veins of the soldiers began to rush with extreme wave of energy. He gave them the glad tiding that if you, the soldiers, continue to remain firm with patience in the battlefield then Allah Almighty will send the angels from sky to help you.

Hence, the army of five thousand angels descended in the battlefield and changed the whole game of the battle in an instant. Hazrat Ali – may Allah be pleased with him – was waving the flag of Muhajireen and Hazrat Sa’d Ibn ‘Ubaadah – may Allah be pleased with him – held the flag of Ansaar. 70 soldiers of kuffaar were killed and 70 were captured, and the rest left their belongings and flee the battlefield. Great leaders of Quraish that were known for their bravery and fighting skills had been killed which wounded the stability of the kuffaar’s army. 14 were blessed with martyrdom in the Muslims’ camp among which 6 were Muhaajir and 8 Ansaar. The Muslims received a great deal of booty that which the kuffar had abandoned and ran for their life.

Allah Almighty has described the event of the battle of Badr in the Quran in the following words:
And verily, Allah did help you at Badr, when you were resourceless. So fear Allah that perhaps you may be thankful.

When O beloved! You did say to Muslim, "Is it not enough for you that your Lord should assist you by sending down three thousand angels?"

Yes, why not, if you have patience and fear God, and the infidels came upon you instantly, then your Lord will send five thousand angels with marks for your help.

And this victory Allah did not make, save for pleasing you and so that your hearts might get rest with it, and there is no help except from Allah, the Dominant, the Wise.  
(Aale ‘Imraan 4, Verse 123-126)

Lesson:
Despite Muslims’ lack of weaponry and manpower in the battle of Badr the open victory kissed the feet of Muslims, which teaches us a lesson that, the extravagant amount of manpower and artillery is not the criteria of victory in a battle but the victory depends on the help of Allah Almighty, that he descends the angels the army of angels in the battlefield and helps the Muslims, and despite not having enough artillery and manpower the Muslims still be victorious and
destroy the armies of kuffaar but Allah Almighty has two conditions for it; Sabr (Patience) and Taqwa (Fear of Allah Almighty). If Muslims hold onto the rope of Sabr and Taqwa and then hope for Allah’s help and step into the battlefield then, Allah-Willing, then victory will kiss the feet of Muslims at every stage and occasion and the kuffaar will taste defeat and disappear or else they will be destroyed by the Muslims’ attack and burn in hell. Therefore, it’s vital importance that the Muslims adorn themselves with the arms of Sabr and Taqwa and have faith in Allah’s help, and remain firm in the battlefield without worrying about their lack of manpower and artilleries, for Allah Almighty states:

وَمَا النَّصَّرُ إلَّا مِنْ عَنْدِ اللّٰهِ الْعَزِیْزِ الْحَکِیْمِ

And there is no help except from Allah.

(Aale ‘Imraan 4, Verse 126)

(Ajaibul Quran p. 82-85)

**Names of 14 Muslim Martyrs of the Battle of Badr**

Please recite “Sayyiduna” before each name and “May Allah be pleased with them” after each name.

O Allah! O The Succor of those who seek help, save us for the sake of:


(Seeratul Mustafa p. 233)