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In a world searching for hope and guidance, the life of the Holy Prophet (saww) remains the greatest example of mercy, compassion, and justice. His timeless message continues to inspire hearts and transform lives.

In this issue, Noor Magazine explores the Holy Prophet (saww)'s noble character and enduring legacy as mercy for the whole mankind, while also celebrating the life and teachings of Imam Ja'far al-Sadiq (a), whose wisdom continues to illuminate the path of faith and knowledge.

Together, their lives remind us that true Islam is founded upon mercy, wisdom, humility, and service to humanity. We hope this issue enriches your connection to the beauty of Islam and inspires you to reflect these eternal values in your daily life.

With sincere du'as,
Editor, Noor Magazine

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1. Mercy Towards All Creation

His mercy was not merely an emotion but a way of life. He forgave when he had the power to retaliate, helped those in need, comforted the suffering, and guided people with patience and compassion.

The Holy Prophet (saww) was a living embodiment of divine mercy. Allah (swt) says:

And We did not send you but as a mercy to the worlds. (Q21:107)

True followers of the Holy Prophet (saww) should show mercy and kindness.



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2. Excellence of Character

The life of the Holy Prophet (s) was a remarkable example of the highest moral virtues and noblest character.

His life was a shining example of honesty, humility, patience, forgiveness, and compassion, demonstrating the exalted character for which Allah (swt) praised him in the Holy Qur'an.

"... and you are indeed of a sublime character." (Q68:4)

True greatness is reflected in character, not status or power. Good character is among the greatest forms of worship



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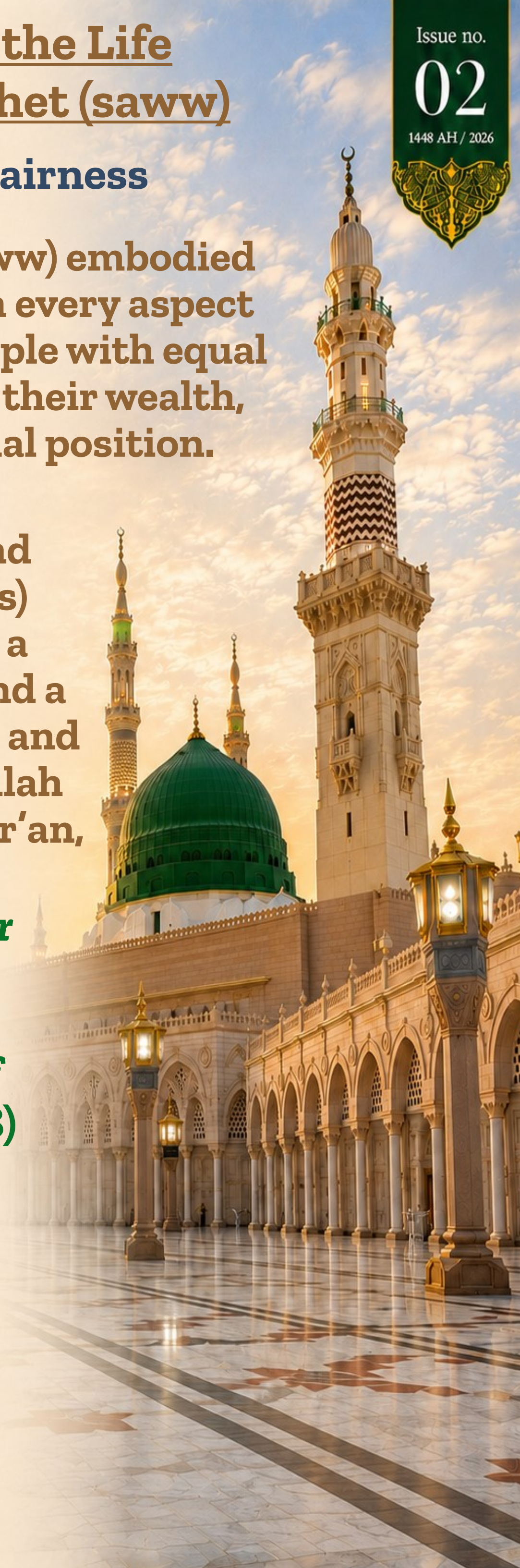
3. Justice and Fairness

The Holy Prophet (saww) embodied justice and fairness in every aspect of his life, treating people with equal dignity regardless of their wealth, status, tribe, or social position.

Through his words and actions, the Prophet (s) established justice as a sacred responsibility and a foundation for a healthy and righteous society. As Allah (swt) says in the Holy Qur'an,

"... Be just; that is nearer to Godwariness. And be mindful of Allah; verily Allah is Aware of whatever you do." (Q5:8)

We should practice fairness, avoid favoritism, and uphold what is right.



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4. Living by the Truth

When the Prophet (saww) invited his close relatives to Islam, he spoke openly and clearly about his mission, never compromising the truth even when he faced rejection.

His truthfulness remained constant in both ease and hardship. He never altered the truth to gain people's approval, but remained firm in conveying the message of Allah (swt). He was known as al-Sadiq (the Truthful). A beautiful verse states,

"O you who believe! Be mindful of Allah and stand with the truthful." (Q 9:119)

Truthfulness is a quality that brings a person closer to Allah (swt). A believer should be truthful in speech, sincere in intention, and honest in conduct.



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5. Trust in Allah (swt)

Whether during the Hijrah, in times of hardship, or on the battlefield, the Holy Prophet (s) took every practical measure while placing his full trust in Allah (swt).

His life teaches us that true *tawakkul* is not passive; it is striving with determination while confidently entrusting the outcome to Allah (swt). As the Holy Qur'an says,

"...Then, when you have decided, put your trust in Allah; verily Allah loves those who trust Him." (Q3:159)

Faith is strengthened by combining effort with complete reliance on Allah (swt).



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6. Seeking Knowledge

The Holy Prophet (s) placed great emphasis on the pursuit of knowledge. Throughout his life, he encouraged both men and women to seek beneficial knowledge

emphasizing that learning cultivates wisdom and deepens faith. A beautiful Qur'anic verse that encourages the pursuit of knowledge is:

"My Lord! Increase me in knowledge." (Q 20:114)

A true seeker of knowledge remains humble, continually strives to learn, and turns to Allah (swt) for deeper understanding and wisdom.



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7. The Prophet (saww): A Model of Trustworthiness

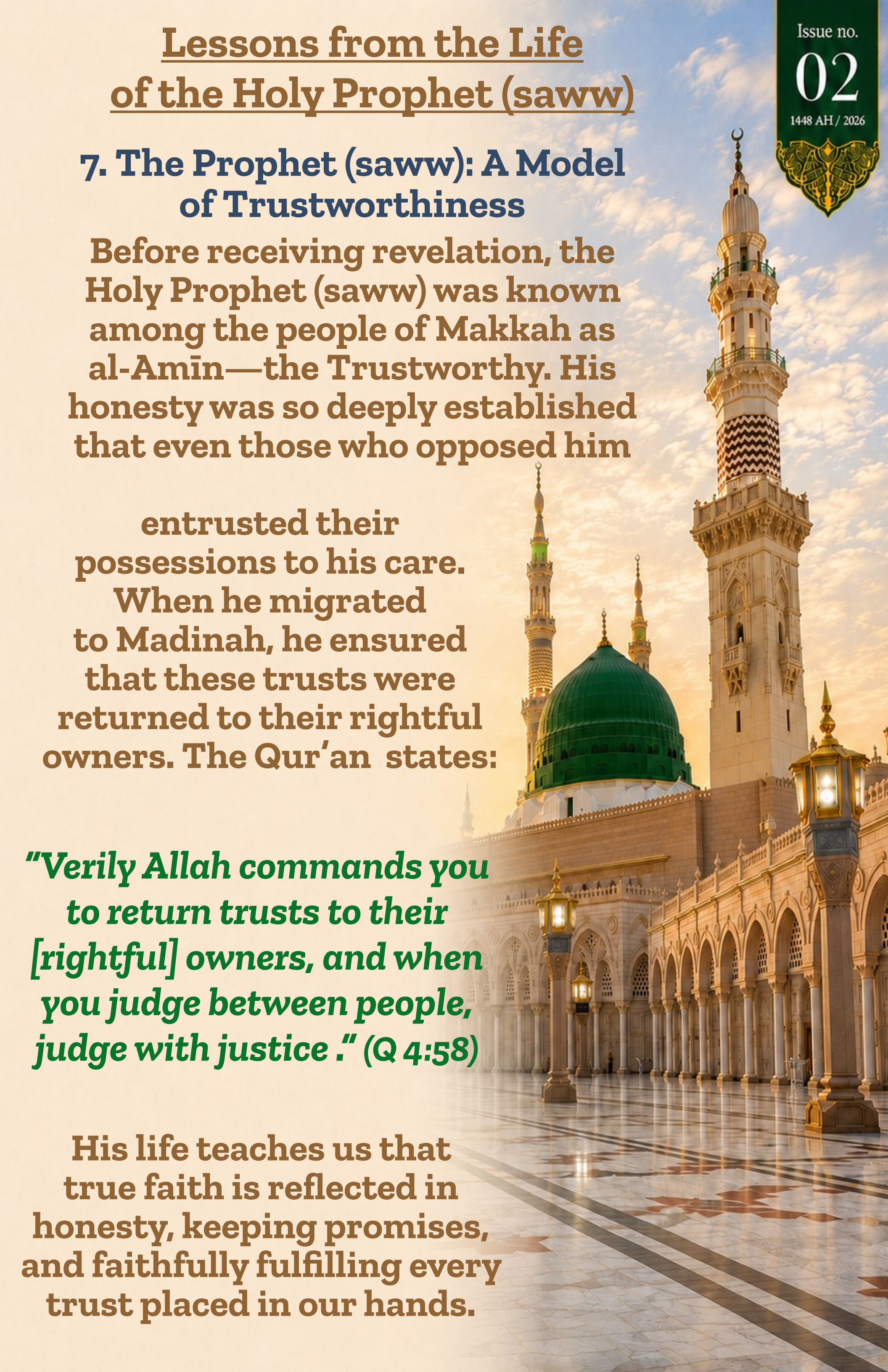
Before receiving revelation, the Holy Prophet (saww) was known among the people of Makkah as al-Amin—the Trustworthy. His honesty was so deeply established that even those who opposed him

entrusted their possessions to his care.

When he migrated to Madinah, he ensured that these trusts were returned to their rightful owners. The Qur'an states:

***"Verily Allah commands you to return trusts to their [rightful] owners, and when you judge between people, judge with justice."** (Q 4:58)*

His life teaches us that true faith is reflected in honesty, keeping promises, and faithfully fulfilling every trust placed in our hands.





The First Revelation: Illuminating the Path of Knowledge

Lesson 1: Seeking Knowledge Is a Lifelong Obligation

The first revelation began with the command "*Iqra'*!" (Read), highlighting the central role of knowledge in Islam. Throughout his life, the Holy Prophet (saww) encouraged the pursuit of beneficial knowledge.

Lesson 2: Knowledge Should Lead to Action

The life of the Holy Prophet (saww) demonstrated that true understanding is reflected in righteous conduct, sincere worship, and service to others. Beneficial knowledge should inspire positive action and moral excellence.

Lesson 3: Learning Begins with Humility

Although the Holy Prophet (saww) was the greatest of Allah's creation, he remained humble before his Lord and eager to receive divine guidance. True seekers of knowledge recognize that wisdom is a gift from Allah (swt) and approach learning with humility and sincerity.

The first command was
"Read!"—a gift of light,
To help us know what's
true and right.
Seek knowledge with
a humble heart,
And let your faith
shape every part.
Live as the Prophet (s)
showed us to
With kindness, wisdom,
and actions true.

The Exemplary Character of the Holy Prophet (saww)

On Reciting the Holy Qur'an

1. Before reciting the Holy Qur'an, the Holy Prophet (s) would recite,

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

2. He would recite the Holy Qur'an in the best of voices.

3. The Holy Prophet (s) would not sleep until he had recited the 'Musabbihaat' They asked: "And what are the 'Musabbihaat'?" He said: "Sūrah al-Hadid, al-Hashr, al-Şaff, al-Jumu'ah and al-Taghābun."

4. The Holy Prophet (saww) would not go

to sleep until he had recited Surah al-Mulk and Surah al-Sajdah.

5. Imam Ali (a) said, "The Holy Prophet (s) would like Surah al-A'la. Whenever he would recite the first verse,

سَبِّحْ اسْمَ رَبِّكَ الْأَعْلَى

He would say

سُبْحَانَ رَبِّي الْأَعْلَى

Sunan al-Nabi (s)

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The Messenger of Allah (s) said, "Speech is of three types: the profitable, the sound, and the detrimental. As for the profitable [speech], it is that where Allah (swt) is mentioned. As for the sound [speech], it is that

wherein what Allah (swt) likes is spoken. And as for the detrimental [speech], it is that in which people are spoken about [in a negative way]."

Kitab al-Zuhd, English Translation, Pg 19, H. 11



Imam Ja'far al-Sadiq (a) said, "Every eye will be weeping on the Day of Judgement except three eyes: the eye that lowered its gaze from what Allah (swt) had forbidden, or the eye

that stayed awake in the worship of Allah, or the eye that wept in the depth of the night out of fear of Allah (swt)."

Kitab al-Zuhd, English Translation, Pg 135, H. 206

The Messenger of Allah (s) said, "The most vile among you are those who go about spreading slander [and gossip], those who cause

separation between loved ones and those who endeavour to find faults in one who is innocent."

Kitab al-Zuhd, English Translation, Pg 17, H. 8



Imam Ja'far al-Sadiq (a) said, "Modesty is part of faith, and faith leads one into Paradise. Immodesty is part

of depravity, and depravity leads one into the fire."

Kitab al-Zuhd, English Translation, Pg 17, H. 8

Imam al-Sadiq (a) said to a man, "Whoever speaks regarding [a matter pertaining to] justice yet goes against it [himself] to something else, he

shall be burdened with [great] regret on the Day of Resurrection."

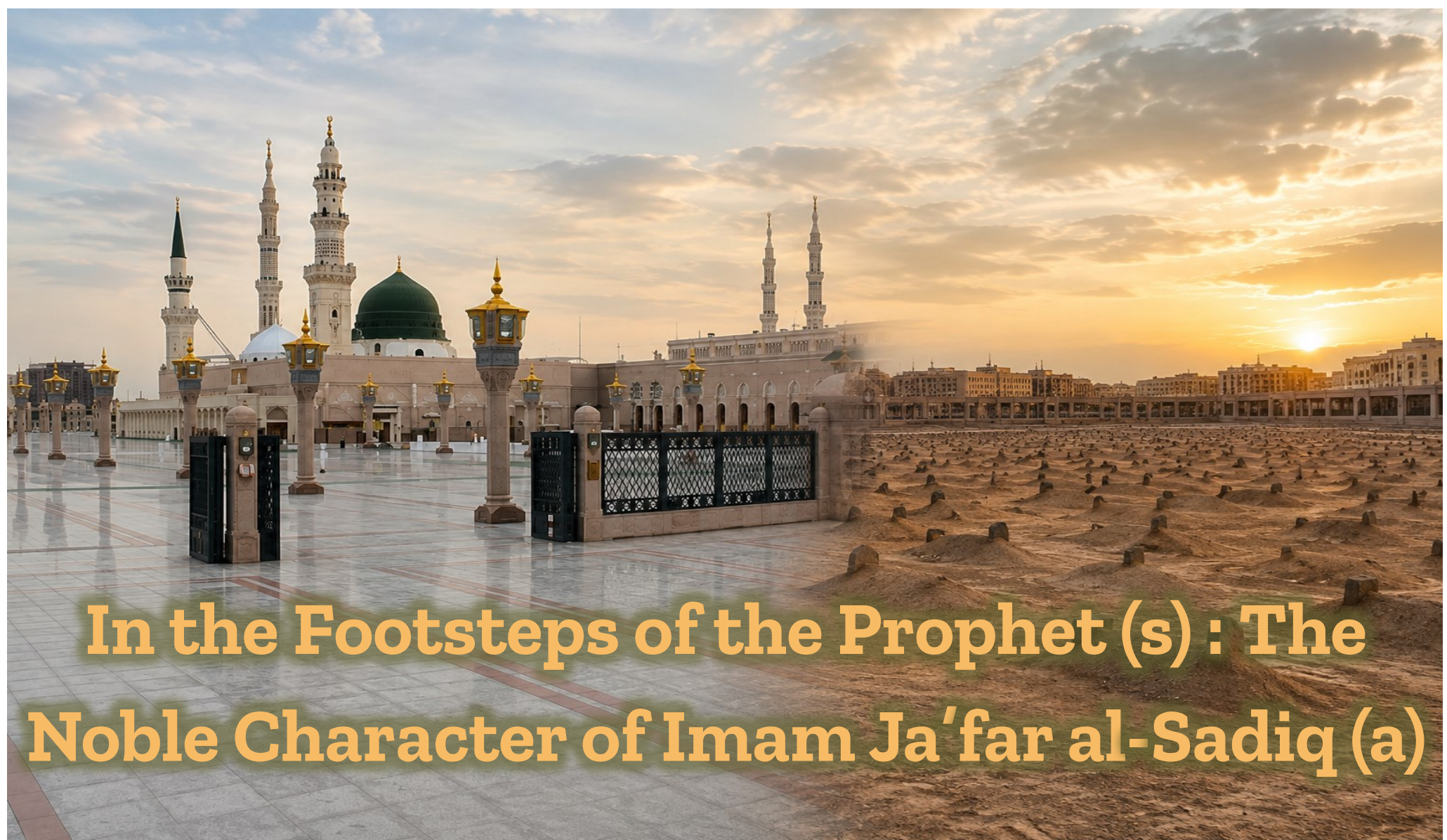
Kitab al-Zuhd, English Translation, Pg 37, H. 38



Imam Ja'far al-Sadiq (a) said, "Verily good character melts away sin the way ice is melted by the sun, and bad character

corrupts action the way vinegar corrupts honey."

Kitab al-Zuhd, English Translation, Pg 45, H. 51



In the Footsteps of the Prophet (s) : The Noble Character of Imam Ja'far al-Sadiq (a)

Similarities between the Holy Prophet (saww) and Imam Ja'far al-Sadiq (a)

Truthfulness and Integrity

The Prophet (saww) was known as al-Sadiq and al-Amin, while Imam al-Sadiq (a) was also known for his exceptional truthfulness and trustworthiness.

Profound Knowledge

The Prophet (saww) was the recipient and teacher of divine revelation, while Imam al-Sadiq (a) became one of the greatest teachers of Islamic knowledge. He imparted knowledge to a large number of students, teaching Qur'anic

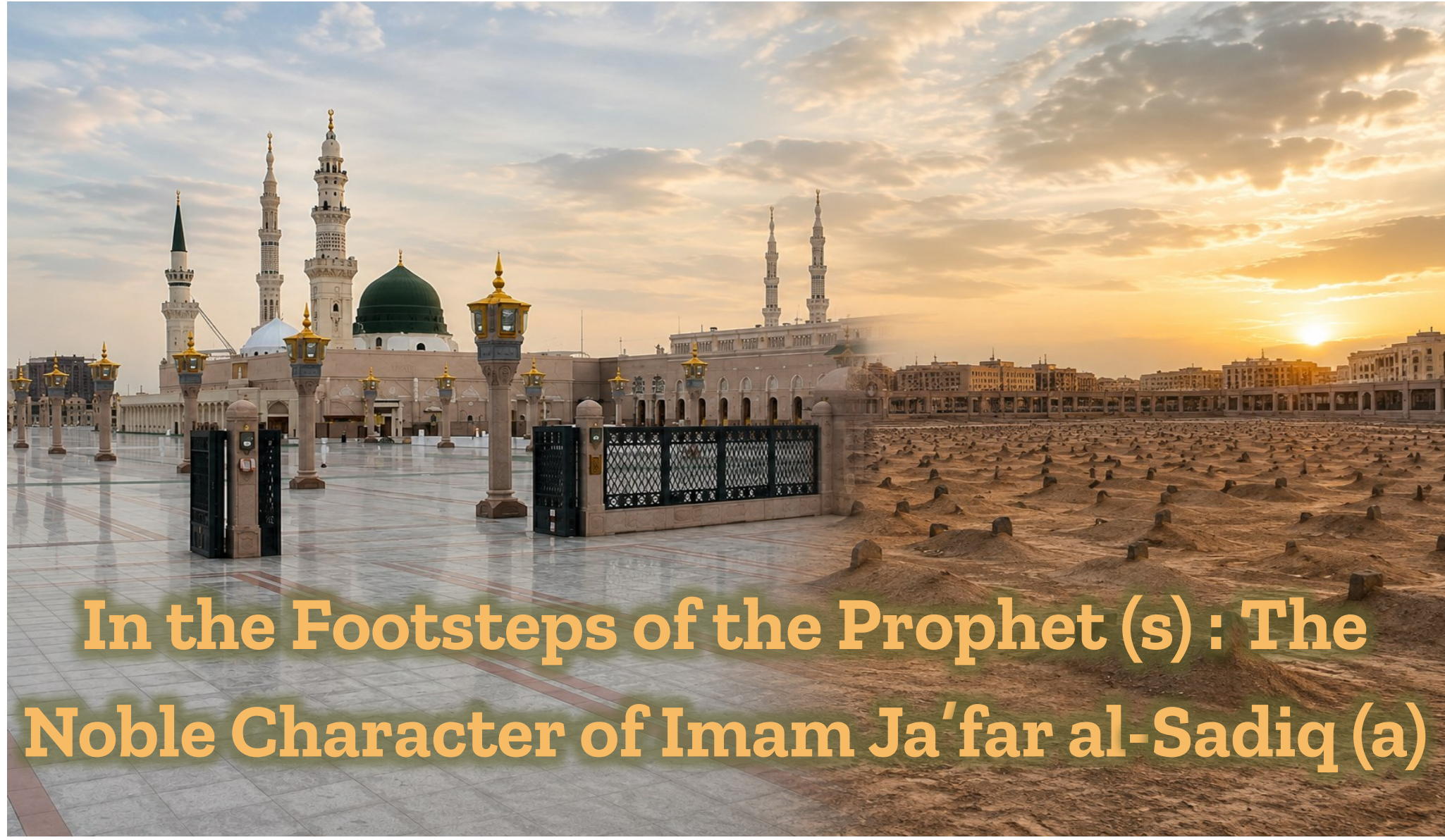
interpretation, theology, jurisprudence, ethics, and numerous other sciences.

Mercy and Compassion

Both showed profound compassion toward others, especially the poor, needy, vulnerable, and those who turned to them for guidance and support.

Patience in Difficulties

Both endured opposition, hardship, and persecution without abandoning their principles. They responded to difficulties with patience, wisdom, and reliance upon Allah (swt).



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Worship and Devotion to Allah (swt)

Their lives were deeply rooted in ibādah (worship). Prayer, supplication, remembrance of Allah, and reliance upon Him were central to their daily lives.

Teaching through Character

Both taught that Islamic values must be reflected in one's actions. Their conduct served as a practical example of faith, demonstrating that knowledge without righteous action is incomplete.

Guiding People toward Allah

The central purpose of both their lives was to guide

humanity toward Allah (swt), strengthen faith, uphold justice and morality, and preserve the teachings of Islam.

In his truthfulness, knowledge, humility, patience, generosity, and devotion to Allah (swt), Imam Ja'far al-Sadiq (a) carried forward the noble values embodied by the Holy Prophet (saww). His life reminds us that the true legacy of the Prophet (saww) is preserved not only through words, but through character, knowledge, and righteous action.

Lessons and Reflections on Hadith al-Mufadhal

Mufaddal ibn Umar al-Ju'fi was a prominent companion and devoted follower of Imam Ja'far al-Sadiq (a) and Imam Musa al-Kadhim (a). He was known for his deep attachment to the Ahlulbayt (a), his interest in matters of faith, theology, and the recognition of Allah (swt), and his role in conveying their teachings.

He is especially renowned for his connection with Hadith al-Mufadhal, also

known as Tawhid al-Mufadhal, in which Imam al-Sadiq (a) presents profound reflections on the signs of Allah (swt)'s wisdom, knowledge, power, and the wonders of creation. The discourse calls upon us to reflect upon the wonders of the human body, the beauty of nature, and the harmony of the universe as evidence of the wisdom and power of Allah (swt)



Lessons and Reflections on Hadith al-Muffadhhal

1. The Universe is a Living Book of Allah

Imam al-Sadiq (a) takes Mufaddal on an intellectual tour of the human body, the animal kingdom, and the plants, He points to the intricate design of the eye, the digestive system, the construction of the ant, the migration of birds, and the precise distance of the sun from the earth.

Nature is not separate from religion; it is a primary proof of it. The

universe is a structured system (*Nidham*) that points to an All-Knowing, All-Wise designer.

Look at a leaf, a fruit, or the structure of your own hand. Ask "How does this work?" and "Who designed this system?" Do not take the ordinary for granted.

Knowing how the human heart pumps blood increases your certainty (*yaqeen*) in Allah (swt).



Lessons and Reflections on Hadith al-Muffadhhal

2. The Wisdom of Adversity and 'Ugly' Things

One of the most profound parts of Tawhid al-Mufaddal is the Imam's discussion on why harmful, dangerous, or 'ugly' creatures exist (venomous snakes, predators, or diseases). The Imam explains that what appears harmful in isolation is often vital for the balance of the whole system. He notes that pain serves as an alarm system to protect the body from destruction.

When you face illness, loss, or hardship, remember the Imam's analogy of the 'alarm system.' Pain is a wake-up call to fix something broken. Hardship polishes the soul and forces it to grow, much like pressure turns carbon into diamonds. When you see something you dislike or don't understand, remember you are seeing only a tiny pixel of a massive, beautiful painting. Allah (swt) sees the whole picture.



Lessons and Reflections on Hadith al-Muffadhhal

3. The Unity of Life and Responsibility toward Nature

The Imam highlights how everything in creation is inter-dependent. The sky provides rain, the rain provides water, the earth provides nutrients, the plants provide oxygen and food, the animals provide labor and sustenance, and humans oversee it all. He discusses how the moon and sun create seasons and the day-night cycle.

We are part of a web of

life. This design is not accidental; it is a delicate, perfectly balanced system.

Recognize that you are not self-sufficient. You rely on farmers, the sun, the rain, and the soil. This humbles the ego and connects you to the rest of humanity and creation.

The Imam discusses how Allah (swt) designed food as a perfect fit for the body. Eat to live, do not live to eat. Consume what is pure and be conscious of where your food comes from.





Dua's of the Holy Prophet (saww) **Sunan al-Nabi (s) Pg 332**

When the Holy Prophet (s) had completed his talk and wanted to stand up from where he was sitting, he would say:

اَللّٰهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لَنَا مَا اَخْطَاْنَا
وَمَا تَعَمَّدْنَا وَمَا اَسْرَرْنَا وَمَا اَنْتَ
اَعْلَمُ بِهِ مِنَّا اَنْتَ الْمُقَدِّمُ وَاَنْتَ
الْمُؤَخِّرُ لَا اِلَهَ اِلَّا اَنْتَ

O Allah! Forgive us for what we did by mistake and what we did on purpose, and what we

concealed and what You know more of than us, You bring forward and You leave behind, there is no god but You.

The Holy Prophet (s) would frequently recite,

اَللّٰهُمَّ مُّقَلِّبَ الْقُلُوْبِ ثَبِّتْ
قَلْبِيْ عَلٰى دِيْنِكَ

O Allāh - the Turner of hearts! Make my heart steadfast on Your religion.