Fatima Al-Samarqandiyya

"If you asked me, I would say: I was not the loudest voice.

Nor the one seeking fame or fortune.

But my heart was rooted deeply in ilm; a quiet thirst to know and understand.

I walked alongside knowledge, shaping it gently and with care.

And through that patient light, wisdom grew far beyond what I imagined.

You, too, carry a light.

How will you nurture your own thirst for knowledge and let it shine?"

Reflect:

- 1. What do I admire most about Fatima's quiet confidence and influence?
- 2. How did she turn challenges into opportunities, and how can I do the same?
- 3. What does it mean to be "apparent" in a way that honours Allah? How does that differ from worldly visibility?
- 4. She stood firm in truth; not loudly, but unshakably. Where in my life do I need to bring more strength and certainty, quietly?
- 5. Where am I holding back from sharing my voice or expertise, and why?
- 6. If Fatima al-Samarqandiyya were here today, what encouragement or advice might she share with me?

