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**ARE THOSE WHO
HAVE KNOWLEDGE
AND THOSE WHO
HAVE NO
KNOWLEDGE ALIKE?**

ZUMAR, 39:9



SCAN TO READ

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FROM THE EDITOR

All praise is due to Allah ﷻ, and peace and blessings be upon our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ.

Dear Readers,

We are pleased to present the **February 2026** edition of our magazine, focusing on strengthening faith and deepening Islamic understanding. In this issue, we reflect on **The Bearers of Iman**, the inspiring lives of the **Companions of the Prophet** ﷺ, and the virtues of Sha'ban as we prepare for Ramadan.

We have also included **Basic Aqeedah for Children** to help nurture strong foundations of faith in young hearts.

We pray to Allah ﷻ that this issue brings benefit, guidance, and spiritual growth to you and your family.

Please **do share** this edition with your friends and families.

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THE BEARERS OF IMAN

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THE PEOPLE OF IMAN

- Allah is the Protector and Guardian of the **people of iman**. (Al-Baqarah, 257)
- The **people of iman** receive great favour and blessings from Allah. (Aal-Imran, 152)
- Allah never lets the reward of the **people of iman** go waste. (Aal-Imran, 171)

- Allah will grant a very great reward to the **people of iman**. (An-Nisa, 146)
- The **people of iman** enjoy Allah's closeness, help, and support. (Al-Anfal, 19)
- The **people of iman** have no fear of loss, and they will not be treated with injustice or oppression. (Al-Jinn, 13)
- Allah has taken full responsibility for saving the **people of iman**. (Yunus, 103)
- Allah strengthens and supports the **people of iman** with His special help. (Al-Mujadilah, 22)
- Even the Prophet ﷺ was commanded to remain among the **people of iman**. (Yunus, 103)
- The Noble Qur'an gives glad news of a great reward for the **people of iman**. (Al-Isra, 9)
- Helping the **people of iman** is Allah's responsibility. (Ar-Room, 47)



- A **believing** slave man or woman is better than a mushrik man or woman. (Al-Baqarah, 221)
- Allah guides the hearts of the **people of iman** with hidayah. (At-Taghabun, 11)
- The **people of iman** are truly guided and successful. (Al-Baqarah, 3–5)
- Allah covers and protects the faults of a **believing person** in this world and the Hereafter. (Bukhari)
- The most beloved and best deed in the sight of Allah is **iman-billah**. (Saheeh Al-Jami‘ - Hasan)
- Allah has promised Jannah to the **people of iman**. (At-Taubah, 72)
- Allah has made a deal with the **people of iman** for Jannah. (At-Taubah, 111)
- Jannah is only for the **people of iman**. (An-Nisa, 124)
- On the Day of Judgment, the **people of iman** will be given a light to guide them towards Jannah. (Al-Hadeed, 12)
- Whoever has even a mustard seed’s weight of **iman in his heart** will not remain in Jahannam forever. (Bukhari)

Extracted & Translated from the Urdu book “**Iman ki Kitab**” by **Shaykh Imran Ayyub Lahori**

ZUBAIR IBN

AL-'AWWAM رضي الله عنه

Zubair

Ibn al-Awwam

رضي الله عنه

الزبير بن العوام

- He was born in **Makkah** 28 years before Hijrah, and his kunyah was Abu Abdullah.
- His father's name was **Al'Awwam bin Khuwaylid**, and his mother's name was **Safiyyah bint Abdul Muttalib**. He belonged to the Banu Asad clan of the Quraish. His grandfather, Khuwaylid, was the father of Khadeejah.
- He was among the **Ashrah Mubashsharah** (the ten who were given glad tidings of Paradise).

- He was often mentioned together with **Talha bin Ubaidullah**. Both of them had many similarities, such as upbringing, wealth, bravery, birth, death, etc.
- Both of them were among the earliest to accept Islam. Both were among the Ashrah Mubashsharah. Both were also among the six people whom Umar bin Khattab appointed to choose the next Caliph. Both were martyred in the Battle of Jamal.
- The Prophet ﷺ often said about both of them: "Talha and Zubair are my **neighbors in Paradise**."
- His mother, Safiyyah, was the paternal aunt of the Prophet ﷺ.
- When he accepted Islam, he was **15** years old.
- He participated in both migrations to Abyssinia (Habsha), and later migrated to Madinah. He took part in all the battles along with the Prophet.
- He married **Asmaa** the daughter of Abu Bakr. From Asmaa, he had a son named **Abdullah bin Zubair**, who was a very well-known and a famous sahabi.
- He was martyred in the year 36 Hijri in the **Battle of Jamal**.

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RAMADAN

THE MONTH OF SHA'BAN



FASTING IN SHA'BAN

- The Messenger of Allah ﷺ used to **fast** until his family thought he would never break his fast and not fast until they thought he would never fast, especially in Sha'ban. (Al-Bukhari 1833; Muslim 1956)



- ‘Aishah (radiyallahu anha) said she never saw the Prophet ﷺ fast an entire month except Ramadan, yet he **fasted more in Sha‘ban** than in other months. (Al-Bukhari 1833; Muslim 1956)

- A report states that the Prophet ﷺ used to **fast all of Sha‘ban** or nearly all of it. (Muslim 1957)
- The Prophet ﷺ **fasted most of Sha‘ban**, more than any other month outside Ramadan. (Narration supported in Sahihayn)
- Usamah ibn Zayd narrated that the Prophet ﷺ said: "I like for my **deeds to be lifted up** when I am fasting." (regarding fasting in Sha‘ban). (An-Nasai in al-Tarhib wa'l-Tarhib)
- According to a report in Sunan Abu Dawud, the most beloved month for the Prophet ﷺ to fast in was Sha‘ban, and his Sha‘ban fasts were **continuous** with Ramadan. (Abu Dawud 2076)

- The Prophet ﷺ encouraged fasting at the end of Sha‘ban when he asked a man, "Have you fasted anything of the Sirar of this month?" (Al-Bukhari, Muslim)
- He ﷺ said, "Do not pre-empt Ramadan by one or two days" regarding fasting immediately before Ramadan for those without a habitual fast. (Al-Bukhari, Muslim)
- The Prophet ﷺ described worship at times of tribulation as being like Hijrah to him: "Worship at times of tribulation is like Hijrah to me." (Muslim 2984)

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20 BASIC AQEEDAH Q&A FOR CHILDREN



LET YOUR CHILDREN MEMORIZE THESE!

Q.1 Who is your Rabb?

A. My Rabb is Allah.

Q.2 What is your Deen?

A. My Deen is Islam.

Q.3 Who is your Prophet?

A. My Prophet is
Muhammad ﷺ

**Q.4 What is the meaning
of “Laa ilaaha illallah”?**

A. There is no true god
except Allah.

**Q.5 What are the pillars
of “Laa ilaaha illallah”?**

A.

- Negation
- Affirmation.



Q.6 What are the conditions of “Laa ilaaha illallah”?

A.

- Knowledge (Ilm)
- Certainty (Yaqeen)
- Acceptance (Qabool)
- Submission (Inqiyad)
- Truthfulness (Sidq)
- Sincerity (Ikhlas)
- Love (Muhabbah)

Q.7 Where is Allah?

A. Allah is above the heavens, above the Arsh.

- Tawheed al-Uluhiyyah
- Tawheed al-Asma was-Sifaat

Q.8 What is the greatest worship?

A. Tawheed

Q.11 What is the greatest sin?

A. Shirk

Q.9 What is Tawheed?

A. To worship Allah alone without partners.

Q.12 What is Shirk?

A. Associating partners with Allah.

Q.10 What are the types of Tawheed?

A.

- Tawheed ar-Rububiyyah

Q.13 What are the types of shirk?

A.

- Shirk al-akbar
- Shirk al-asghar

Q.14 What are the levels of Deen?

A.

- Islam
- Iman
- Ihsan

Q.15 What are the pillars of Islam?

A.

- Shahadatain
- Salah
- Zakah
- Saum
- Hajj

Q.16 What are the pillars of Iman?

A.

- Belief in Allah
- His Angels
- His Books
- His Messengers
- In the Last Day
- Good & bad Qadr

Q.17 What is the pillar of Ihsan?

A. To worship Allah as if

you see Him. If you cannot see Him, know that He sees you.

Q.18 What are the pillars of Ibaadah (worship)?

A.

- Fear (Khauf)
- Love (Muhabbah)
- Hope (Rajaa')

Q.19 What is Qur'an?

A. It is the last and final revelation of Allah to whole mankind.

Q.20 Is the Qur'an created?

A. No, it is the speech of Allah.





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