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The Battle of Uhud

All thanks are due to Allah, the Most-Generous. I bear witness that there is nothing worthy of worship except Him. He has no partners. May Allah send peace and blessings upon His final messenger.

Servants of Allah, One of the important events in the month of Shawal is the battle of Uhud, unbelievers in Mecca were still simmering fire of hatred on Muslims after the humiliating defeat at Badr, and preparing money and force to the recovery of dignity as Allah, Almighty, said:

Verily, those who disbelieve spend their wealth to hinder (men) from the Path of Allah, and so will they continue to spend it; but in the end it will become an anguish for them. Then they will be overcome. And those who disbelieve will be gathered unto Hell. (8:36)

One year after the battle of Badr, the unbelievers in Mecca were finished with preparing for fighting the messenger of Allah (saws) and Muslims in Medina.

When army of Mecca went towards Medina, Al-Abbas, may Allah be pleased with him, who was still in Mecca sent a letter to the Messenger of Allah, including all the details of the army. At the first, the messenger to Allah saw that it is better to stay at Medina, but many Muslims ask the messenger of Allah to go outside Medina to meet the army of Mecca, and the messenger of Allah accepted their request.

During the way of Muslims, 'Abd-Allaah ibn Abi hypocrite, withdrew about a third of the military three hundred fighters, saying: "why do we kill ourselves, Abdullah ibn haram, may Allah be pleased with him, followed them asking them to return to Muslims and fight beside the messenger of Allah but they refused as mentioned in Quran (and that He might make evident those who are hypocrites. For it was said to them,

And that He might test the hypocrites, it was said to them: "Come, fight in the Way of Allah or (at least) defend yourselves." They said: "Had we known that fighting will take place, we would certainly have followed you." They were that day, nearer to disbelief than to Faith, saying with their mouths what was not in their hearts. And Allah has full knowledge of what they conceal. (3:167)

The messenger of Allah (saws) asked some Muslims archers to protect the Muslim army from behind and staying at the mountain and told them never to leave this place anyway. The Prophet (saws) urged the Muslim army to defend Islam from those people who came to destroy Islam. Thus fought the war, remained the Islamic Army in control of the whole situation, and while that is the case, the archers on the mountain watching position, and some said: "What are you waiting for?" Their leader Abdullah bin Jabir: reminded them of what the Messenger of Allah (saws) said but they broke the order of the Prophet (saws) and from here the Muslims situation turned to defeat as Khalid bin Walid (before his Islam) made use from this chance and fight the Muslim army from the back.

The enemy fought their way close to the Messenger (saws) of Allah who was hit and the blood ran down his face. The companions of the messenger of Allah are the best examples in the defense of the prophet Mohammed (saws), not only men but also women are wonderful examples in the defense about the Prophet (saws).

The winning situation changed to defeat and many companions were killed because of disobeying the orders of the prophet and this give us the lesson that disobeying the orders of Allah and his messenger is the main cause of any defeat or any retreat in the Muslims life.