



GAZWAH BANU NADHIR (RABI AL- AWAAL 4TH HIJRAH)

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Madinian society inhibited by Jews and hypocrites, who constantly were in search of an opportunity against Islam and Muslims were stimulated by the events of Ra'ji and Bi'ri Mau'na. They were also looking at the event of Uhad but unfortunately forget the treatment to infedals at Badr. Prophet was very careful about the malified intentions of theirs. He along with some of his companions including Abu Bakr and Umar went to them and asked for their cooperation in collecting blood-mony for the two victims whom Amr b. Umayyah had killed. They whispered among themselves, as the devil completely entered in their minds, if someone will slid a big stone on the Prophet - call was taken by Amr b. Jahsh a Jew- Salam b. Mushkam another Jew said not to do it as they will be made aware of the intentions you possess and it is also against the agreed covenant, but they had not listen him and remain adhere to their plot. They plotted a secret plot but Allah made His Prophet aware of the intentions they possess. He left the place and leaving behind his companions under the impression that he will return soon. After sometime companions also joined him and Prophet made them aware of their secret plot.

COMMAND OF EXPULSION

Muhammad b. Maslamah was immediately deputed by the Prophet with a notice for Banu Nadhir to leave the state within 10 days and whosoever we find after the stipulated period will be killed. It is because of the breach of the covenant they had with the Prophet. No other option for Banu Nadhir was left but expulsion because of the plot they hatched of sliding a stone over the Prophet. They tried to reconcile but in vain as they defied Allah and His Messenger (59:4). They started preparations of leaving the place; in the meantime hypocrites joined them in retaining their position. They support them to the extent that if they are expelled they too will go out with you and they will never hear to anyone in your affair; and if you are attacked they will help you (59:11). The apparent support of hypocrites has made them confident to remain within their fortresses as they deem it strong enough to protect them and they thought that their fortresses would defend them from Allah (59:2)

ALARMING SIGN

By the moral support of hypocrites Banu Nadhir decided to remain in their fortresses. Looking at false support they refused to comply the command of expulsion and Hayy b. Akhtab, their chief had send a negative answer to the Prophet. The situation worsened as just before few days the grief of Ra'ji and Mau'na had severely affected Muslims on the otherside it becomes inevitable to leave Banu Nadhir unattended. Once again an alarming situation appeared. At this critical juncture when whole Arab was after the annihilation of Muslims Prophet foresee immediately action is inevitable. He ordered companions to come up with arms and fight the Jews.

SEIGE OF BANU NADHIR

After the completion of the given time for Banu Nadhir, Muslims laid a siege on them; they remain inside their fortresses waiting for the help promised by hypocrites. They waited in