

## **How the way that Umar Ben Al-Khatlab became Muslim has been described in the Sunni sources?**

The group of the Sunni scientists

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### **Answer:**

When the prophet of the Islam (peace of Allah be upon him and his descendants) was assigned as a prophet in Mecca, he faced the disagreement of the Ghoreish tribe, especially its heads. Since the heads of the Ghoreish Tribe saw the promotion of the Islam in contrast with their benefits, he felt fear against the increasing growth of the Islam and started an absolute war which even everyone that became Muslim, especially slaves and servants, was irritated so that they gave up the Islam religion. A clear example is that Yaser and his wife, Somaye were killed and the father and the mother of Amar were martyred under the torture of the Ghoreish polytheists.

### **The way that Umar believed in God from the point of view of the Sunni scientists:**

Umar Ben Al-Khatlab that was considered one of the heads of the Ghoreish Tribe was one of persons that stood against the Islam religion and the honorable prophet of the Islam according to attestation of the Sunni dignitaries and he tortured every one that became Muslim as much as most of the polytheists did not become Muslim from his fear or they hid their Islam and if their Muslim had been revealed, they would have been tortured by Umar Ben Khatab. In this part, we mention only two cases:

### **Torturing the Muslims by Umar:**

Zahabi in the book " the history of the Islam " and other Sunni dignitaries have written

عن عبد العزيز بن عبد الله بن عامر بن ربيعة عن أمه ليلي قالت : كان عمر من أشد الناس علينا

في إسلامنا فلما تهيأنا للخروج إلى الحبشة جاءني عمر وأنا على بعير نريد أن نتوجه فقال : إلى أين يا أم

عبد الله ؟ فقلت : قد آذيتمونا في ديننا فنذهب في أرض الله حيث لا نؤذى في عبادة الله فقال : صحبتكم الله ثم ذهب فجاء زوجي عامر بن ربيعة فأخبرته بما رأيت من رقة عمر بن الخطاب فقال : ترجين أن يسلم ؟ قلت : نعم قال : فوالله لا يسلم حتى يسلم حمار الخطاب . يعني من شدته على المسلمين .

Abdullah Ben Amer Ben Rabie has narrated from his mother, Leila, that said " Umar was the most serious person about the way that we became Muslim (he prevented us from becoming Muslim). When we wanted to go to Habashe, Umar came to us and when I had sat on the camel and wanted to move, he said " O' the mother of Abdullah! Where are you going?" I answered " you tortured us because of our religion. Therefore, we move to a place on the earth of God that we will be tortured because we worship God." then he said " God supports you". Then my husband, Amer Ben Rabie, came to me and I informed him from whatever I had seen, the relaxation of Umar. Then he said to me " are you hopeful he becomes Muslim?" I answered " yes. I swear God that he will not become Muslim provided that the donkey of Khataab becomes Muslim (in other words, even if the donkey becomes Muslim, he will not become Muslim) because he was too serious with the Muslims.

Tarikh Al-Eslam, Zahabi, v 1 p 181, Al-Kamel Fi Tarikh, v 2 p 84, Al-Badaye Al-Nahaye, Ibn Kathir, v 3 p 100, Al-Mostadrak , Al-Hakem Al-Neishaburi, v 4 p 58-59, Al-Sirat Al-Nabaviye, Ibn Kathir, v 2 p 32-33, Sirat Al-Nabi, Ibn Hosham Al-Hamiri, v 1 p 229,..... .

### **The way that Umar became Muslim:**

Most of the Sunni scientists, for example: Zahabi in the book " the history of the Islam ", Muhammad Ben Sad in the book " Al-Tabaghat Al-Kobra" and Ibn ASaker in the book " the history of Damascus" have narrated the way that Umar became Muslim

عن أنس بن مالك قال : خرج عمر رضي الله عنه متقلدا السيف فلقية رجل من بني زهرة فقال له

: أين تعمد يا عمر ؟ قال : أريد أن أقتل محمدا !

قال : وكيف تأمن في بني هاشم وبني زهرة وقد قتلت محمدا ؟

فقال : ما أراك إلا قد صبأت . قال : أفلا أدلك على العجب إن خنتك وأختك قد صبا وتركا دينك .

فمشى عمر فأتاهما وعندهما خباب فلما سمع بحس عمر توأرى في البيت فدخل فقال : ما هذه

الهيمنة ؟ وكانوا يقرءون طه قالوا : ما عدا حديثا تحد

ثناه بيننا قال : فلعلكما قد صبأتما ؟ فقال له ختنه : يا عمر إن كان الحق في غير دينك ؟ فوثب عليه فوطئه وطئا شديدا فجاءت أخته لتدفعه عن زوجها فنفحها نفحة بيده فدمي وجهها فقالت وهي غضبي : وإن كان الحق في غير دينك إني أشهد أن لا إله إلا الله وأن محمدا عبده ورسوله .

فقال عمر : أعطوني الكتاب الذي هو عندكم فأفراه وكان عمر يقرأ الكتاب فقالت أخته : إنك رجس وإنه لا يمسه إلا المطهرون فقم فاغتسل أو توضأ فقام فتوضأ ثم أخذ الكتا ب فقراً ( طه ) حتى انتهى إلى : \* ( إني أنا الله لا إله إلا أنا فاعبدني وأقم الصلاة لذكري ) \*

فقال عمر : دلوني على محمد فلما سمع خباب قول عمر خرج فقال : أبشر يا عمر فإني أرجو أن تكون دعوة رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم لك ليلة الخميس : اللهم أعز الإسلام بعمر بن الخطاب أو بعمر بن هشام . وكان رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم في أصل الدار التي في أصل الصفا .

فانطلق عمر حتى أتى الدار وعلى بابها حمزة وطلحة وناس فقال حمزة : هذا عمر إن يرد الله به خيرا يسلم وإن يرد غير ذلك يكن قتله علينا هينا قال : والنبي صلى الله عليه وسلم داخل يوحى إليه فخرج حتى أتى عمر فأخذ بمجامع ثوبه وحمائل السيف فقال : ما أنت بمنته يا عمر حتى ينزل الله بك من الخزي والنكال ما أنزل بالوليد بن المغيرة ؟ فهذا عمر اللهم أعز الإسلام بعمر فقال عمر : أشهد أن لا إله إلا الله وأنت عبد الله ورسوله .

Tarikh Al-Eslam, Zahabi, v 1 p 174- 175, Tarikh Medina, Ibn Shebe Al-  
Nomeiri, v 2 p 657- 659, Tarikh Medina Damascus, Ibn Asaker, v 44 p 34-35,  
Al-Tabaghat Al-Kobra, Muhammad Ben Sad, v 3 p 267-269, .... .

It has been narrated from Anas Ben Malek that Umar left the house when he had sword in his hand. Then a person from Bani Zohre saw him and said " O' Umar! Where are you going?"

He answered " I want to kill Muhammad".

He said " if you kill Muhammad, how will you be safe from Bani Hashem and Bani Zohre?"

Umar answered " I think you have given up the religion and you have become Muslim".

That person said " do you want me to guide you to an unusual thing". Your brother-in- law and daughter have given up their religion.

Then Umar moved and came to him. Khobab was there as well and when he felt that Umar was coming, he hid in the house. Umar said " what is this noise for?" – He is reciting the Taaha Surah. He answered " It was nothing more than remarks that we were telling to each other". Umar said " maybe you have given up the religion.

The brother-in-law of Umar answered to him " O' Umar! What will you do if right exists except your religion?

Umar invaded toward him and hit him. Then his sister came to defend her husband, but Umar slapped on his face as firmly as it became bloody. Then his sister said angrily " if right exists except your religion, I will attest that there is no God except unit God and Muhammad is the person and the messenger of God.

Then Umar said " give me the book that is with you". Umar could read. Then his sister said to him " you are clean and only clean people can touch it." Stand up and perform ablution. Then he performed ablution and took the book and recited it until he started reciting

« اننى انا الله لا اله الا انا فاعبدنى واقم الصلاة لذكرى »

Take me to visit Muhammad". Umar said

When Khobab heard the remark of Umar, he said " O' Umar! I hope that the prayer of messenger of God (peace of Allah be upon him and his descendants) that said on the night of Thursday " O' God! Make the Islam beloved by Umar Ben Khatab or Umarv Ben Hesham" will be accepted. In this time, the messenger of God was in his house around Safa Mountain .

Then Umar moved and went to the house of the messenger of God. Hamze, Talhe and some people were in front of the door of Hazrat Muhammad. Then Hamze said " this person is Umar ; if God had destined happiness for him, he will become Muslim and if he has destined something else, killing him will easy for us. The messenger of God was in the house, when revelation was descended to him. Then he left the house and came beside Umar. Then the prophet put his hand on the belt and that part that a sword is put.

Then Hazrat Muhammad bade " O' Umar! Don't you want to stop it until God descend torture as he descended it to Valid Ben Moghayere? This person is Umar. O' God! Make the Islam beloved by Umar". Then Umar said " I attest that there is no God except single God and you are the person and the messenger of God.

### **Umar accepted Islam with the guarantee of As Ben Vael:**

Some claim that before Umar became Muslim, no one dared to pray in the house of Mecca clearly and the Muslims worshiped secretly. After Umar became Muslim, the Muslims became brave...

This matter is completely in contrast with the narration that has been narrated in the Sunni most valid book after the Quran. But they scared from becoming Muslim and they had hid in their house from the fear of being killed by the polytheists and he accepted the Islam regarding the guarantee that As Ben Vael gave to him. Muhammad Ben Ismaeil Bokhari has written in the book " Sahih"

حدثنا يحيى بن سليمان قال حدثني بن وهب قال حدثني عمر بن محمد قال فأخبرني جدي زيد بن عبد الله بن عمر عن أبيه قال بينما هو في الدار خائفا إذ جاءه العاص بن وائل السهمي أبو عمرو عليه حلة حبرية وميصر مكفوف بحرير وهو من بني سهم وهم حلفاؤنا في الجاهلية فقال له ما بالك قال زعم قومك أنهم سيقتلوني إن أسلمت قال لا سبيل إليك بعد أن قالها أميت فخرج العاص فلقى الناس قد سأل بهم الوادي فقال أين تريدون فقالوا نريد هذا بن الخطاب الذي صبا قال لا سبيل إليه فكر الناس .

Abdullah Ben Umar has said " when Umar had feared, he stayed at house that As Ben Vael and said to him " what has happened to you?" he said " your tribe says that if you become Muslim, they will kill me". He said " after I sheltered you, no one would have job with you. As left and saw the people going toward a place and said " where are you going?" they said " we seek this son of Khatab that became Muslim". He said " leave him alone and then the people came back".

Al-Bokhari Al-Jaafi, Abu Abdullah Muhammad Ben Esmaeel (died in 256 hejira), Sahih Al-Bokhari, v 3 p 1403, hadith 3651, chapter Eslam Omar Ben Al-Khatab Raziallah Anhu, Researched by: D. Mostafa Deib Al-Bagha, Published by: Dar Ibn Kathir, Al-Yamame, Beirut, Third Edition, 1407- 1987

As Ben Vael is the same person that ridiculed the messenger of God (peace of Allah be upon him and his descendants) which God descended this verse about him

إِنَّا كَفَيْنَاكَ الْمُسْتَهْزِئِينَ.

For sufficient are We unto thee against those who scoff

He is the same person that called the messenger of God (peace of Allah be upon him and his descendants) " Abtar" and God granted Kosar to his prophet and called him Abtar

إِنَّا أَعْطَيْنَاكَ الْكَوْثَرَ. فَصَلِّ لِرَبِّكَ وَانْحَرْ. إِنَّ شَانِئَكَ هُوَ الْأَبْتَرُ.

If Umar had really been as brave as his Muslim was considered great hit to the polytheists and the Islam became honorable with his faith in God, why would As Ben Vael that was the hardest enemies of the Islam have sheltered him and have prevented the people from killing him?

Matters that the Sunni scientists about case that Umar became Muslim are considered fiction or As Ben Vael had a purpose from this action and he encouraged Umar to become Muslim due to other matters.

Good luck

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