

Imam Reza (AS)

"By Allah, he (who visits the tomb of any of the Imams) will be rewarded as same as him who visits the tomb of Abu-Abdullah Imam Husain (AS), that is, Paradise."

Days to be Remembered

Salaam dear young friends. Hope you are all fine. May God keep you in the best of health and grant success in your endeavours.

Last Saturday was the 8th of Shawwal and each year as our dear readers know, we mark the anniversary of the tragedy that occurred in the year 1344 AH (1926 AD) when the shrine of the Seal of Messengers in Medina was riddled with bullets by the Wahhabis, who having failed to raze to the ground the Sacred Green Dome, wreaked vengeance on the tombs of the elite of Islam in the nearby Jannat al-Baqi' Cemetery, blasphemously bulldozing every canopied structure, especially the majestic mausoleum over the blessed resting places of Four of Prophet Muhammad's (SAWA) Infallible Heirs – Imam Hasan al-Mujtaba (AS), Imam Zain al-Abedin (AS), Imam Muhammad Bager (AS) and Imam Ja'far as-Sadeg (AS).

They have no respect for even the dead. They desecrate the graveyards of even the Prophet's progeny and companions. The most shameful incident of their enmity to Islam was the blasphemous destruction of the Sacred Baqi' Cemetery of Medina in 1926.

Well friends, today we are marking the anniversary of the historical Battle of Ohad and the lessons it continues to impart to the faithful all over the world. During this battle the pagan Arabs had imposed on the Muslims, Prophet Muhammad's (SAWA) brave uncle, Hazrat Hamza (AS), attained martyrdom. His blessed body was mutilated by the progenitors of the modern day Takfiri terrorists, while his holy shrine was desecrated and demolished in 1925.

Well, next week on Saturday, the 15th of Shawwal we will commemorate the passing away anniversary of Seyyed Abdul-Azim al-Hasani (AS), whose holy shrine in Rayy, now the southernmost suburb of the Iranian capital, is the holiest site in Tehran.

He was born in Medina and was the son of Abdullah, the son of Ali, the son of Hassan, the son of Zayd, the son of the Prophet's elder grandson, Imam Hasan al-Mujtaba (AS).

He was a companion (Sahabi) of four of the 12 Infallible Successors of the Prophet – Imam Musa al-Kazem (AS), Imam Ali ar-Reza (AS), Imam Muhammad at-Taqi (AS), and Imam Ali an-Naqi (AS).

He migrated to Iran and settled in Rayy in order to familiar-

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JOKES

Two campers are hiking in the woods when one is bitten on the rear end by a rattlesnake. "I'll go into town for a doctor," the other says. He runs ten miles to a small town and finds the only doctor delivering a baby.

"I can't leave," the doctor says. "But here's what to do. Take a knife, cut a little X where the bite is, suck out the poison and spit it on the ground."

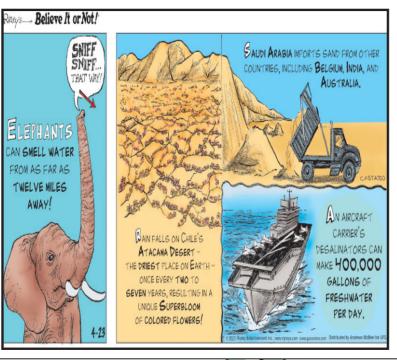
The guy runs back to his friend, who is in agony. "What did the doctor say?" the victim cries. "He says you're going to die."

A scientist tells a pharmacist, "Give me some prepared tablets of acetylsalicylic acid." "Do you mean aspirin?" asks the pharmacist.

The scientist slaps his forehead. "That's it!" he says. "I can never remember the name."

- A: Has your son decided what he wants to be when he grows up?
- B: He wants to be a garbage-man, he replied.
- A: That's an unusual ambition to have at such a young age.

B: Not really. He thinks that garbage-men work only on Tuesdays.



Dear youngsters, could you answer the following questions.

> I go from house to 1. house, a messenger small and tight. Weather it rains or snows. I sleep outside at night. What am I?

RIDDLES

I'm really blue, but 2. when you see me I'm red. You don't see me too often. I'm there for you if you're hurt, but I'm good for you. What am I?

I am a time for gath-3. ering crops. Remove the first three letters I become an object you can wear. What am I?

I hold two people 4. together but touch only one. What am I?

You turn me over af-5. ter you have traveled far. What am I?

Break me but I'll con-6. tinue to work, touch me and maybe I'll stay with you forever. What am I?

Answers to last week's edi-

- tion:
- 1. Fish
- 2. Name
- Tongue 3.
- 4. Sun
- 5. Sunglasses
- Your word 6

The Fox and the Goat

By an unlucky chance a fox fell into a deep well from



ize people with the dynamic teachings of the Ahl al-Bayt and to instill in them the courage to resist the tyranny of the Abbasid caliphate.

He was a pious personality, a scholar of repute, and a trustworthy narrator of hadith, who in the first half of the 2nd century AH collected in book form many of the highly eloquent sermons of his illustrious ancestor, the Commander of the Faithful, Prophet Muhammad's (SAWA) 1st Infallible Heir, Imam Ali ibn Abi Taleb (AS).

No wonder, according to a hadith, pilgrimage to his shrine is considered equivalent to pilgrimage to the holy shrine of the Martyr of Karbala, Imam Husain (AS).

Goodbye and God bless you.

which it could not get out. A goat passed by shortly afterwards, and asked the fox what it was doing down there.

"Oh, have you not heard?" said the fox; "there is going to be a great drought, so I jumped down here in order

to be sure to have water by me. Why don't you come down too?"

The goat thought well of this advice, and jumped down into the well. But the fox immediately jumped on the goat's back, and by putting its foot on the long horns managed to jump up to the edge of the well. "Good-bye, friend," said the fox, "remember next time: Never trust

the advice of someone in a quagmire"

MORAL: "Never trust the advice of someone in a mess"

