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Words of Wisdom

The Quran tells us about what the martyrs say: "And they rejoice for those who will succeed and have not yet joined them; for on them is no fear nor any grief" (Quran 3:170). There is no fear or grief when you are on this path. This is the path to happiness, victory, contentment, and benevolence. This is the message of the martyrs. In other words, the martyrs are encouraging us, telling us to follow them on the path they have taken. That is what the position of the martyrs is like.

From Martyr Imam Khamenei's speech on August 20, 2023



Word for Word

About martyrs, many meaningful, important statements have been reported from the Imams of Guidance (pbut), from distinguished figures, from the prominent figures of the Revolution, from the revered Imam [Khomeini], and from others. Many things have been said about the martyrs, but the highest of all these statements are the words of the Holy Quran and Almighty God, which are incomparable to any other source. "Indeed, God has purchased from the believers their lives and their possessions in exchange for Paradise. They fight in the way of God, they kill, and get killed" (9:111). [The phrase] "Indeed, God has purchased" [means] God makes a deal with someone. This is an extraordinary concept as how can any human being be comparable to God? Yet, God makes a deal with us! In exchange for our lives, He gives the greatest gift that can be given to a human being, which is Paradise — the paradise of God's satisfaction. And then He also states, "They fight in the way of God." They go and fight in the way of God. "They kill, and get killed." This is not specific to after the coming of Islam either, "It is a promise binding on Him in the Torah, and the Gospel, and the Quran" (Quran 9:111). It is the same in the Torah and the Bible. The verse "How many a prophet there has been with whom a multitude of godly men fought?" (Quran 3:146), [shows] this matter is talking about all the prophets. Or there is the noble verse that states, "Do not suppose those who were slain in the way of Allah to be dead; no, they are living and provided for near their Lord" (Quran 3:169). These are statements about the martyrs, and there is no greater statement than these regarding the virtue of martyrdom. What else can a person say?

From Martyr Imam Khamenei's speech on January 23, 2024



Memorable Frame



"Indeed those who have faith and do righteous deeds—the All-beneficent will endear them [to His creation]" (Quran 19: 96).

"Although we are away from you, we speak in your memory." Through these words, he expressed his deep longing for Karbala and the holy shrine of Imam Hussain (peace be upon him), from which he had been separated for nearly seventy years. Throughout his life, he regarded Imam Hussain (peace be upon him) and his magnificent uprising as the foremost source of inspiration for his leadership and his positions. He taught the people of the Islamic Ummah the virtues of Imam Hussain (peace be upon him) and the way he stood firm in the path of God and in defense of Islam.

More importantly than anything else, however, he himself embodied the Hussaini way of life. Not only through the manner in which he lived, but also through the way he embraced martyrdom, he reflected the ideals, character, and spirit of Imam Hussain (peace be upon him). He was martyred at the hands of the most oppressive and corrupt

rulers of the front of tyranny, and along this path he also sacrificed his family. Through his martyrdom, he demonstrated the sincerity of his intentions, illuminated the path of righteousness, and awakened the hearts of truth-seekers throughout the world.

His martyrdom also exposed the falsehoods that his enemies had long sought to spread through their media and propaganda. It revealed the depth of his popularity and the profound love that the people of Iran and the wider Islamic Ummah held for him, as tens of millions participated in his funeral processions in Iran and Iraq, while many others across the world held symbolic funeral ceremonies in his honor.

After a lifetime of unceasing jihad and struggle against oppression and tyranny, he was finally invited by Imam Hussain (peace be upon him) to Karbala. This time, however, he came to visit his Imam not as an ordinary pilgrim, but as a martyr.



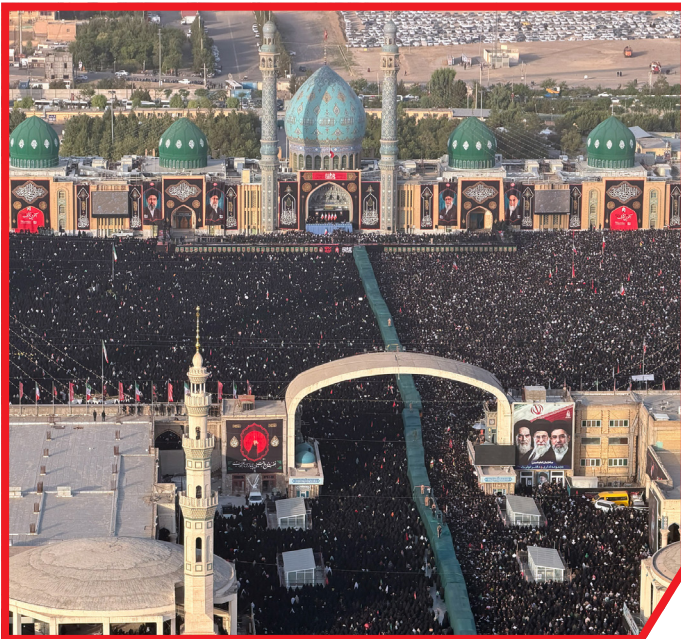
The People Rise Up

Should any event befall this country, Almighty God will raise these people to confront it. The people will be the ones who will stop it.

Martyr Khamenei

Feb. 1, 2026





Across Iran and Iraq — in Tehran, Qom, Karbala, Najaf, and Mashhad — tens of millions of truth-seekers took part in an unprecedented week-long funeral and farewell ceremonies for the martyred Leader, offering funeral prayers to the Leader of the Truth-Seekers of the World and his martyred family members.



Choose the Right Side of History



Images of mourners in India and Nigeria holding a symbolic funeral procession and mourning ceremony for the martyred Leader of the Islamic Revolution





Opinion

Martyr Khamenei's blood still cries out

The Historic funeral of the Islamic Revolution's martyred Leader marks the beginning of a new chapter

What unfolded during the funeral ceremonies for the martyred Leader over the past week—and what left many astonished—was, far more than an expression of passive grief or mourning, a sign that the movement of the Islamic awakening in Iran and Iraq is advancing and growing deeper. Although these events took place geographically in two countries, they have the potential to resonate across significant parts of the Islamic world as well. The grief and mourning of millions of Iranians, Iraqis, and supporters of the Islamic Revolution have not left them stunned, paralyzed, or trapped in the past.

Although they have been confronted with an immense and extraordinary grief—the likes of which they had not experienced since the passing of magnanimous Imam Khomeini—they have not allowed this loss to leave them immersed in collective mourning or consumed by passivity. On the contrary, this grief has not rendered them inactive; rather, it has become a driving force, stirring them to rise against those who ordered and carried out these crimes—the very individuals regarded as the foremost perpetrators of the region's crimes and colonial designs. In this sense, the sorrow brought about by the martyrdom of the beloved Khamenei (may God be pleased with him) has breathed new life into

the region's aspirations for freedom and into its spirit of anti-arrogance and anti-colonialism. It is in this context that the passion, awareness, and slogans against the US and the Zionist regime became a constant feature of the ritual practices held for Martyr Khamenei in Tehran, Qom, Najaf, Karbala, and Mashhad. This situation has not only injected new life into the anti-American and anti-Zionist front, but has also awakened other layers of society that were previously more distant from this sphere, adding to the strength and equipment of the camp of anti-American and anti-Zionist freedom-seekers. It is a clear and evident example of the principle that the blood of a martyr possesses life and gives life. Although the loss of Martyr Khamenei has brought profound grief to millions of Iranians and to Shias across the region and the world, what took place in the streets of Tehran, Qom, Najaf, Karbala, and Mashhad proved that this great loss has neither left his supporters and admirers passive, nor trapped them in the past, nor brought their movement to a halt. On the contrary, it accelerated their previous course of action and brought additional groups and layers of society into their ranks. This immense grief and mourning, with its life-giving and movement-inspiring character, has transformed into an epic—a saga whose blessed outcomes must now be awaited, for what we are witnessing is only the first light of dawn.

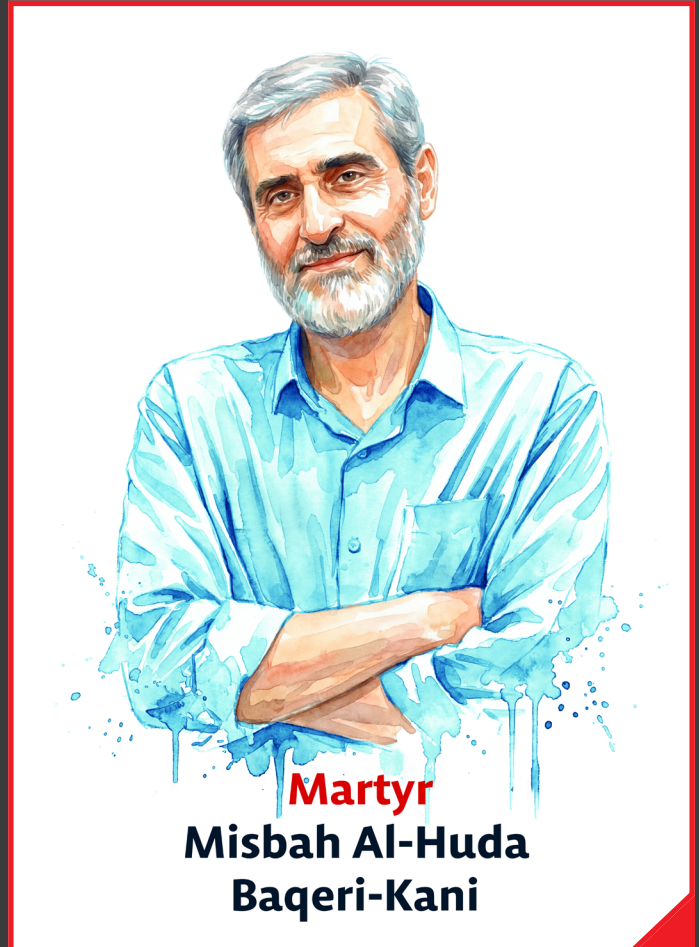


A Moment with Caravan of Martyrs

Martyr Dr. Misbah Al-Huda Baqeri-Kani: a life of quiet devotion, a death of high honor

Dr. Misbah Al-Huda Baqeri-Kani was a man defined not by titles or visibility, but by unwavering faith, deep humility, and a lifetime of silent service. His martyrdom on February 28, during the criminal American-Zionist assault on Iran, was the final testimony to a life lived in complete sincerity — a life that ended where it had always belonged: in proximity to his beloved Leader. He was the son-in-law of the martyred Leader of the Islamic Revolution, Imam Sayyid Ali Khamenei. Yet this connection, sacred as it was, never became a source of status or privilege for him. Those closest to him testified that he sought nothing from this bond — no position, no wealth, no influence. His only distinction, as they said, was the honor of martyrdom beside the Leader he revered.

Born into a family of profound religious standing — the son of Ayatollah Mohammad-Baqer Baqeri-Kani, the nephew of the late Ayatollah Mahdavi-Kani, former chairman of the Assembly of Experts — Misbah Al-Huda was raised in an environment where knowledge and piety were inseparable. He earned his PhD in International Marketing from Tarbiat Modares University in 2004 and dedicated over two decades of his life to Imam Sadiq University, where he served as a faculty member and shaped the minds and hearts of



countless students.

Yet for all his scholarly accomplishments, what those who knew him recall most vividly is his character. He did not perform his actions for public approval. He lived simply. He solved people's problems without drawing attention to himself. He was deeply devoted to Imam Hussain, regularly attended mourning ceremonies, and possessed a rare attentiveness to the emotional and spiritual states of those around him.

His brothers have spoken of his extraordinary respect for human dignity. Social rank, professional position, and outward status meant nothing to him. What mattered was the inherent worth of each person before God. He held firmly to the conviction that in an



Islamic system, no individual should ever be made to feel neglected or disrespected. When people came to him with difficulties, he would not merely offer advice — he would personally work to resolve their problems.

His brothers observed that in the years following his marriage, his spiritual development accelerated markedly. His conduct, his perspective, and his way of life all deepened — as though he were being prepared, step by step, for a station reserved for the most devoted servants of God.

On the day of the attack, as missiles unjustly struck the Leader's residence, the force of the explosions was devastating. Windows shattered. Walls cracked. In those first

chaotic moments, no one realized that Misbah Al-Huda had been struck. But he had. He attained martyrdom in the very first moments of the assault — in the vicinity of the Leader he had loved and followed with all his being.

The funeral was an outpouring of collective grief. Mourners gathered in the streets, reciting elegies as the pure body of this quiet scholar was carried through the city. The nation, already mourning the martyrdom of its Leader, now wept for the son-in-law who had walked so faithfully in his shadow.

After a week of mourning and funeral rites, Dr. Misbah Al-Huda Baqeri-Kani was laid to rest in the Dar al-Dhikr hall in the sacred shrine of Imam Reza in Mashhad. He was

buried next to the martyred Leader and other members of the household who had given their lives in service to Islam and the Revolution. His resting place, inside the holy shrine of the Imam of Compassion and Mercy, is a testament to a life that was offered completely — in knowledge, in service, and finally, in blood.

His family and colleagues do not regard his death as a random tragedy. They see it

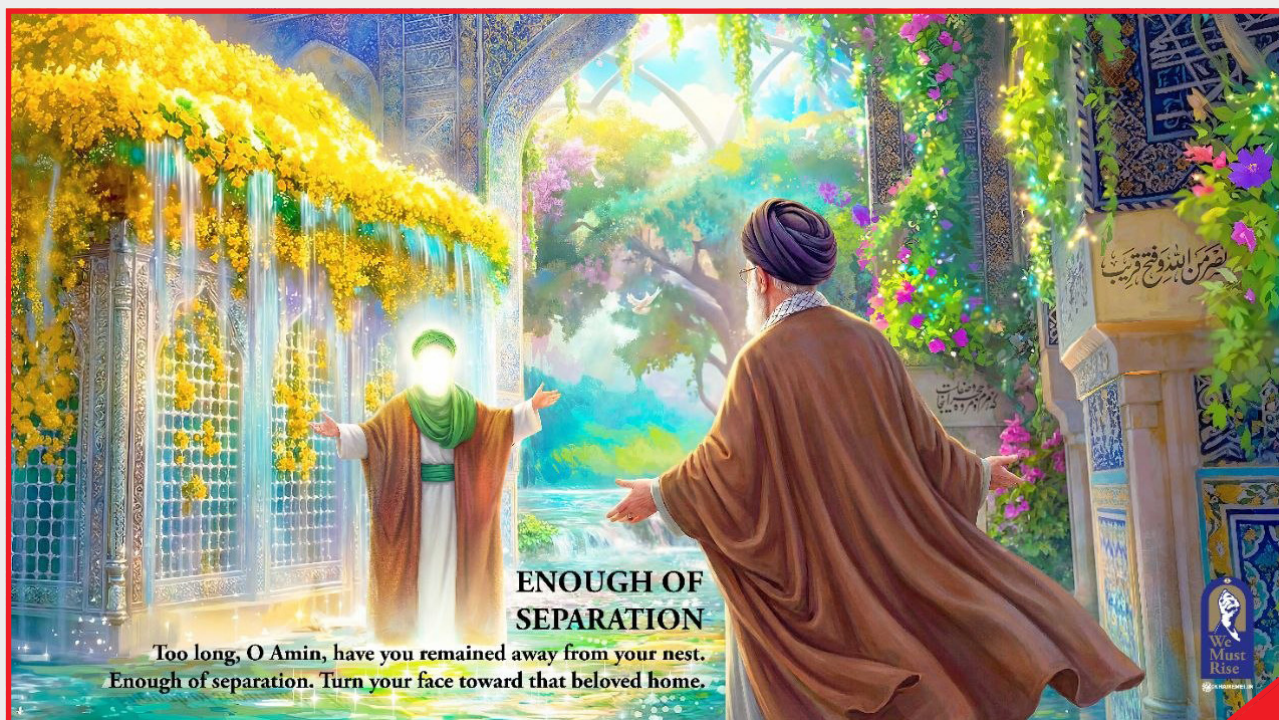
as the culmination of a life lived with such purity, such quiet devotion, that martyrdom was its rightful and beautiful end.

He was a mujahid without pretense. A teacher. A problem-solver. A servant. And now, in the luminous court of Imam Reza, he rests in eternal peace — a silent proof that the most honored lives are often the most hidden, and the most hidden are cherished most by their Lord.





Narrating the Art



“O martyred father of the Ummah! May you enjoy the sweet nectar of martyrdom” and “may the robe of martyrdom be a blessing upon you.” (Ayatollah Sayyid Mojtaba Khamenei, July 9, 2026)

How beautiful it is to find peace and rest in the embrace of one's Imam after a lifetime of jihad and struggle in the path of Almighty God. This is precisely what happened to our martyred Leader, Ayatollah Sayyid Ali Khamenei (may God sanctify his pure soul). Born in Mashhad, he spent his life in an unceasing struggle against tyranny and oppression and, in the end, found eternal peace once again in Mashhad, where he was laid to rest in the sacred shrine of Imam Reza (peace be upon him).

Our martyred Leader was a man who remained steadfast in his convictions and never wavered from his ideals. Throughout both his personal and political life, he cared deeply for the oppressed across the world, led Iran and the

entire Resistance Front toward progress and advancement, envisioned a clear and hopeful future for the Islamic Ummah through his teachings, and fought tirelessly against the enemies of Islam.

Throughout his life, he longed for martyrdom. As the Leader of the Islamic Revolution, Ayatollah Sayyid Mojtaba Khamenei, noted, he lived a Hussaini life. Following the example of Imam Hussain (peace be upon him), in the final chapter of his life, after years of relentless struggle against the enemies of humanity, he attained what he had long deserved. In defending and strengthening both Islam and Iran, he sacrificed his life and was martyred alongside his family, each of whom is a reminder of a martyr from the Plain of Karbala.

His martyrdom stands as proof that the divine promises are always fulfilled: “As for those who have faith and do righteous deeds, they shall have the Gardens of Firdaws as their abode” (Quran 18:107).



I learned from him that ...

I learned from him that Muslims life must be Sacred to the Ummah. And a Muslim must be a guard to another Muslim. And a leader must lead to serve his subjects.

Imam Khamenei served Iranians and the Ummah until his Creator called him to Martyrdom.

Imam Khamenei (May Allah Mercy Eternally be upon him) was a great leader and a beacon of hope to the Ummah. When darkness has shrouded the leadership of the Islamic world.

He serve for the sake of Allah, for the love of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) and his blessed family and protected the Ummah with his entire life. His purpose in life to serve Allah and the Holy Prophet Muhammad and his family. And protect the Ummah: and he has achieved his ultimate goal, Martyrdom for the sake of Islam and the Ummah.

He's the sayyid of shuhadah of the 21st century.

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