

Why was Hadrat "Fatimah" [AS] buried at night?

Description:

They say why "Fatimah" [AS] was buried at night, well it's because she willed to "Asma bin Umis" the spouse of "Abu -Bakr", because she didn't want non-relatives to see the size of her body.

Reviewing:

Burring at night, saying requiescat without presence and notifying the "Caliph" and hidden grave are secrets with messages within. That's true that "Fatimah" made such request and willed to be buried at night but what'd happened that Hadrat "Fatimah" [AS] ends her historical testament with such requests?!! Doesn't it show that she's expressing her wrath and sadness towards her foes and in fact she's putting several questions before sharp-sighted visions of historians and others to ask: why is "Fatmah" [AS]'s grave hidden? Why was the daughter of Prophet [PBUH] buried at night? And why did "Ali" [AS] say requiescat for her without notifying "Abu-Bakr"? and ...

Was the guy who was prophet [PBUH]'s successor {this is what they claim} not competent to say requiescat for her?

Yes, the "Fatimah" [AS] willed to be buried at night and neither of those who oppressed her are notified, and it's the best proof to Shia proving that Hadrat "Fatimah" [AS] left the world in oppressed way and never forgave those who oppressed her.

There are many narratives in both Sunni Shia and Sunni books that we mention some of them:

Nightly burial in Sunni narratives:

"Muhammad bin Ismael Bukhari":

“وَعَاشَتْ بَعْدَ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ سِتَّةَ أَشْهُرٍ فَلَمَّا تُوفِّيتْ دَفَنَهَا زَوْجُهَا عَلِيٌّ لَيْلًا وَلَمْ يُؤْذِنْ بِهَا أَبَا بَكْرٍ وَصَلَّى عَلَيْهَا”

Fatimah [AS] lived six months after Prophet [PBUH] and when she passed away, her husband Ali [AS] buried her at night and didn't notify "Abu-Bakr".

Sahih Bukhari-v4, p1549

"Ibn Qatibah Dinvari" writes:

“وقد طالبت فاطمة رضي الله عنها أبا بكر رضي الله عنه بميراث أبيها رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم فلما لم يعطها إياه حلفت لا تكلمه أبدا وأوصت أن تدفن ليلا ليلا يحضرها فدفت ليلا”

Fatimah [AS] demanded her father's inheritance from "Abu-Bakr" but he refused, she took an oath not to talk to him {Abu-Bakr} and willed to be buried at night till he {Abu-Bakr} wouldn't attend her funeral.

"Abdul RazzaghSanani" writes:

“عن بن جريج وعمرو بن دينار أن حسن بن محمد أخبره أن فاطمة بنت النبي صلي الله عليه وسلم دفنت بالليل قال فرَّ بها علي من أبي بكر أن يصلي عليها كان بينهما شيء”

"Fatimah" [AS] the daughter of prophet [PBUH] was buried at night till "Abu-Bakr" wouldn't say requiescat for her because something had happened between them.

And he says in continue:

“عبد الرزاق عن بن عيينة عن عمرو بن دينار عن حسن بن محمد مثله الا أنه قال اوصته بذلك”

Such narrative has been quoted from "Hassan bin Muhammad"; and it's written there that "Fatimah" [AS] has made such testament.

Al-Musanef"- v3, p521

And "Ibn Batal" writes in the book "description of Sahih Bukhari" v3, p 325:

“أجاز أكثر العلماء الدفن بالليل... ودفن عليُّ بن أبي طالب زوجته فاطمة ليلاً، فرَّ بها من أبي بكر أن يصلي عليها، كان بينهما شيء”

Most of scholars have permitted corpse to be buried at night, "Ali bin Abi Talib" buried at night till "Abu-Bakr" can't say prayer for her; because something had happened between them.

"Ibn Abi al-Hadid" quotes from "Jahiz":

“وظهرت الشكية، واشتدت الموحدة، وقد بلغ ذلك من فاطمة (عليها السلام) أنها أوصت
أن لا يصلي عليها أبوبكر”

"Fatimah" [AS] was so mad {at usurpers} that she willed that "Abu-Bakr" wouldn't say prayer for prayer.{requiescat}.

Description of Nahj al-Balaghah- v 3- p 325

“وأما إخفاء القبر، وكتمان الموت، وعدم الصلاة، وكل ما ذكره المرتضي فيه، فهو الذي يظهر
ويقوي عندي، لأن الروايات به أكثر وأصح من غيرها، وكذلك القول في موجدتها وغضبها”

Hiding the death of "Fatimah" [AS] and the place of her burial and that "Abu-Bakr" and "Umar" didn't say prayer for her and anything that "Seyyed murteza" has said is accepted by me; because there are many valid narratives proving such things and also Fatimah [AS]'s anger toward "Abu-Bakr" and "Umar" is valid than other quotations.

Ibn Abi Al-Hadid" v16, p 170

Nightly burial in Shia narratives:

Though, the cause of Hadrat "Fatimah" [AS]'s testament amongst Shia is clear and there is consensus about it but we mention to one case.

Late Shaikh "Sadugh" says about the reason of Hadrat "Fatimah [AS]'s nightly burial:

“عَنِ الْحَسَنِ بْنِ عَلِيٍّ بْنِ أَبِي حَمَزَةَ عَنْ أَبِيهِ قَالَ سَأَلْتُ أَبَا عَبْدِ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ لِأَيِّ عِلَّةٍ دُفِنَتْ فَاطِمَةُ (عَلَيْهَا السَّلَامُ) بِاللَّيْلِ وَ لَمْ تُدْفَنْ بِالنَّهَارِ قَالَ لِأَنَّهَا أَوْصَتْ أَنْ لَا يُصَلِّيَ عَلَيْهَا رَجَالُ الرَّحْلَانِ [”

“Ali bin Abu Hamzah” asked imam “Sadiq” [AS]: why was “Fatimah” [AS] buried at night not in day? Imam [AS] said: “Fatimah” [AS] had willed to be buried at night till “Abu-Bakr” and “Umar” wouldn’t say prayer {requiescat} for her.

Elal al-Sharaye'- v 1, p 185

“إِنَّ سَبَبَ خَفَاءِ قَبْرِهَا (عَلَيْهَا السَّلَامُ) مَا رَوَاهُ الْمُخَالِفُ وَالْمُؤَلِّفُ مِنْ أَنَّهَا (عَلَيْهَا السَّلَامُ) أَوْصَتْ إِلَيَّ أَمِيرَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ) أَنْ يَدْفِنَهَا لَيْلًا لِئَلَّا يُصَلِّيَ عَلَيْهَا مِنْ آذَائِهَا وَمَنْعِهَا مِيرَاثَهَا مِنْ أَبِيهَا {صَلِيَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ}”

As Shia and Sunni have said the reason of hiding The grave of Hadrat “Fatimah” [AS] is that she said to commander of faithful Ali [AS] to bury her nightly till those who had bothered her and deprived her from her father’s inheritance wouldn’t say prayer for her.

Al-musavi Ameli- description of Sharaye’ Al-Islam- v8, p 279

Conclusion:

According to the available proofs and the confession of Sunni elders, the reason of Hadrat "Fatimah" [AS]'s nightly burial was her testament and she didn't want those who bothered her to say prayer for her and with such work, she made her wrath towards usurpers of caliphate eternal.

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