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B. Zainab (Ahlul-Bait) (2)

PREDICTIONS OF HAZRAT ZAYNAB S.A.  
IN THE COURT OF YAZID

Oh Yazid !

You may certainly carry on with  
your conspiracy (against Ahl ul Bait) <sup>سَعْيِكَ</sup>  
your efforts and struggle (to oppress us)

فِكْرَكَ كَيْدًا رَاحًا وَسَعْيِكَ  
وَنَاصِبَ جَهْدًا رَاحًا

By God you will never be able  
to erase our memory

You will never succeed in destroying  
the divine revelations upon us  
You will never comprehend our  
final outcome and achievements

فَوَاللَّهِ لَا تَمْحُو نِي كُرْنَا  
وَلَا تُبَيِّتُ وَحِينَنَا  
وَلَا تُدْرِكُ أَمَدَنَا

You will never eradicate the shame  
(of your misdeeds) from yourself

وَلَا تَرُدُّ خِيَابَكَ عَارَهَا

Oh Yazid !

Verily your thinking is wrong  
Your days (of retaining rule)  
are numbered (short)  
Your gatherings (wealth & kingdom)  
are to disintegrate

وَهَيْ رَأْيِكَ الْإِقْدَانُ  
وَإِيَّامُكَ الْإِقْدَانُ  
وَجَمْعُكَ الْإِقْدَانُ

These are but only a portion of the most courageous sermon delivered by Hazrat Zaynab, the revered sister of Imam Hussain S.A. The impressive words were uttered in the court of Yazid, when full of people including the leaders of Banu Umayya, their officers, Jewish and Christian dignitaries to witness the captive caravan of Ahl ul Bait.

The words depict the outstanding courage of a tortured and bereaved lady in presence of an oppressive despot and arch enemy. They portray the undaunted faith in their stand <sup>of</sup> refusing to pay allegiance to the Umayyad Caliph Yazid. Besides they express uncompromising attitude and conviction no matter whatever hardship and affliction.

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As predicted by Hazrat Zaynab s.a., Yazid and his ancestors failed in their maneuvers to destroy the valuable teachings of Islam and erase the noble signs of the holy Prophet and his progeny from earth. Instead they are today remembered daily with intense reverence by millions from East to West, praying for heavenly blessings to be showered upon them. On the otherhand Yazid and his ancestors if at all remembered, are with shame and disgrace only.

The Omayyad rule and their vast empire disintegrated and perished with none of their signs today to be seen anywhere. Millions of men and women today can be witnessed to pay their homage and countless claiming decendency of the holy Prophet and his progeny.

How so seen and <sup>how so</sup> absolutely correctly did the predictions of Hazrat Zaynab s.a. turn out to be true. This heroine of Kerebala will always be remembered for her magnificent foresight and outstanding fertitude.