The Necessity and Process of Imparting Knowledge of the Life of Prophet Muhammad (s)

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I read the life of Prophet Muhammad (s) in my early life. I was impressed by his extraordinary ideal life and my way of life changed. Every Muslim should learn the life history of Prophet (s). God has sent the Quran on the one hand and on the other also sent his apostle to guide the mankind. So it is essential to know the life of the Prophet (s).

So far I know Prophets’ life is not taught adequately in our schools, colleges or varsities. This should be taught in a short form on the basis of important events of his life. Most of the boys and girls have not read his life. So I think the guardians should make their children and younger brothers and sisters learn his life in their early ages. For this I prepared a ten-module course as given below. Those who will teach this course should have a thorough idea of Prophet’s life in details which he/she can get by reading some standard Seerat books.

I. The first part will contain Prophet’s Birth, his family, his life at Halima’s house, contribution of his grandfather Abdul Muttalib and uncle Abu Taleb.

II. His becoming the ‘Al Amin’ and Al Sadiq of Makkah, formation of ‘Hilfu Fuzul’, his marriage with Khadijah, her contribution for Islam till her death.

III. Beginning of Prophethood, opposition by the Quraysh’s, incident of his travel to Taif and torture on him there.

IV. Meeraj, teachings of Meeraj, important events before and after Hijrah, making of first Masjid at Medinah.

V. Pact with the Jews, declaration of Medinah Charter with its bye-laws.

VI. Battles of Badr, Ohud, Ahzab; treason by Bani Quraiza and Prophets Action.

VII. The travel for Umra pilgrimage of Prophet with his Sahabis, opposition by the Quraysh, the Truce of Hudaybiyah, the results of the Truce.

VIII. The events before and after the Makkah Victory, his speech to the Maccans, and the battle of Hunain.

IX. Details of Last Hajj, Prophet’s speech declaring equality of Man, rights on life, wealth and honour and about Women.

X. Illness of Prophet, his death, Janaza, election of first Khalifah as the successor.

I hope all will create opinion in favour of this course which may be in more or less number of modules as needed.