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Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (R.D) was a very close Sahabi of Nabi (SAW). Nabi (SAW) used to visit his house often and he was very hospitable. Whenever Nabi (SAW) or any of the Sahaba (R.D) would go to his house he would host them in the best possible way.



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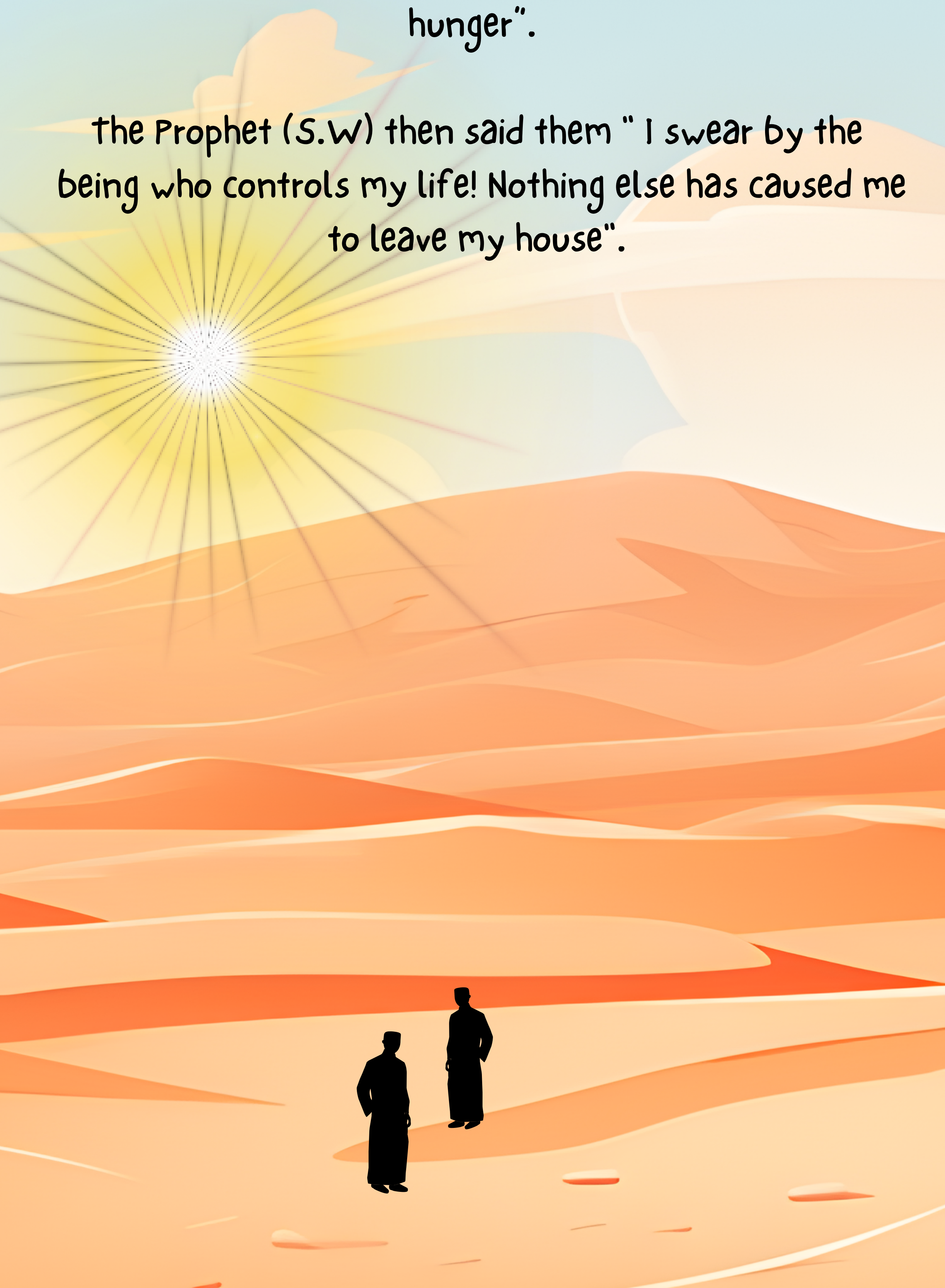
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One very hot day, Abu Bakr (R.D) did not have any food at home, so he came out of his home out of hunger and went to Masjid An-Nabawi. It was the quality of the Sahaba (R.D) that whenever they faced any difficulty, they would go to the Masjid straight away to solve the problem through Salah and Amaal (righteous deeds). Abu Bakr (R.D) met with Umar (R.D) at the Masjid, and soon found out that Umar (R.D) was also in severe hunger and came to the Masjid with the same purpose. While they were talking with each other the Prophet (SAW) came to the Masjid with the same issue.



The prophet (S.W) asked them "What has caused you two to leave your houses at this hour? They answered "We left our home because of the severe pangs of hunger".

The Prophet (S.W) then said them "I swear by the being who controls my life! Nothing else has caused me to leave my house".



Then he started walking with them towards the house of Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (R.D) because he always used to keep some food for the Prophet (SAW). Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (R.D) was in his garden when the Prophet of Allah (SAW) reached his house. When his wife learnt that the Nabi of Allah (SAW) is at the door she was overjoyed with happiness, and Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (R.D) was also very happy and he let them in the house.



أَفَلَا وَرَسُولًا

He instantly ran into his garden and cut off a branch of dates, and presented it in front of Nabi (SAW). Nabi (SAW) said, "Why have you done this? Why didn't you just pick a couple of ripe dates off the branch instead?" He replied "O Rasulullaah (SAW), I wanted you to eat from the range of ripe, unripe, and dry dates."



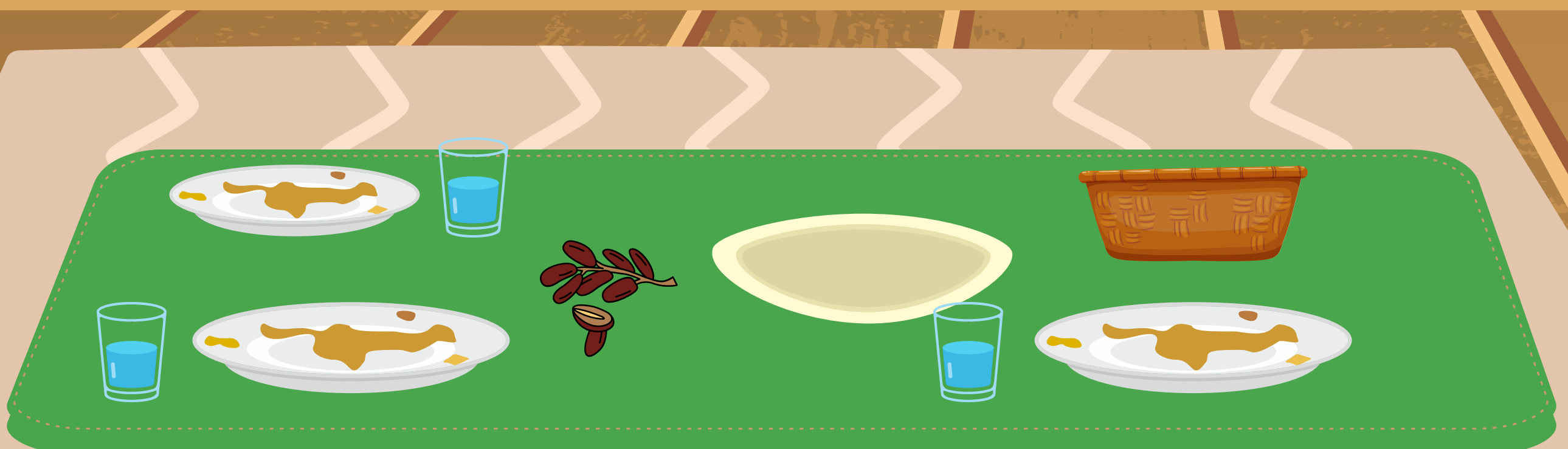
then he slaughtered a lamb and cooked and roasted the meat, and presented it in front of Nabi (SAW). Meanwhile, Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (R.D)'s wife baked some bread. When all of these foods were presented to Nabi (SAW), he wrapped some meat in a piece of bread and asked Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (R.D) to send it to Fatimah (R.D) as she also did not have anything to eat for many days. Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (R.D) rushed to the house of Fatimah (R.D) enthusiastically.



After the meal, Nabi (SAW) said with teary eyes, "Bread, meat, ripe dates, unripe dates, and dry dates. I swear by the being who controls my life! These are the bounties about which you will be questioned on the Day of Qiyamah." The Sahaba (R.D) were shocked that these foods, which they obtained after such hunger, will still have to be answered about on the Day of Qiyamah. Nabi (SAW) then said that if a person reads the following Duaa after food he will be saved from being questioned about it on the Day of Qiyamah:

Recite after every food:

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي هُوَ أَشْبَعَنَا وَأَرْوَانَا وَأَنْعَمَ عَلَيْنَا وَأَفْضَلَ



We received such an amazing Duaa because of Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (R.D)'s hosting of Nabi (SAW) in the best possible way on that day. As a result of his hospitality to Nabi (SAW), we received a dua to read after food which will allow the entire ummah to be safe from being questioned about that food on the Day of Judgment Subhanallah! Our Sahaba (R.D) left an example in every single step of their lives and saved the ummah from the mishaps of this world and the Akhirah.

My dear little hearts, let's be beneficial for all human beings, regardless of whether our own needs are fulfilled or not. Let's leave an example of truth, and pleasure of Allah in every step of our lives InshaAllah. For our sincere effort, Allah will make us happy on the Day of Judgment InshaAllah!

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