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Abuzar Ghifari (Radiyallahu Anhu) was very generous, he would not like to keep money with him, and he did not like others to hoard money as well. He used to stay away from rich people and whenever he would meet any rich person he would remind them of the life of Nabi (Sallallahu Alaihi wa Sallam).

He would give Sadaqa himself and would encourage others to leave worldly wealth and give away as Sadaqa.





He used to admonish people against money so much that, it became hard for the people to copy and imitate him, they came and complained against him to the 3rd Khalifa of Islam Ameerul Mumineen Uthman bin Affan (Radiyallahu Anhu).

Ameerul Mumineen then called him one day and advised him to shift to a village named Rabza, which will save him from seeing the rich kind of people and will save him from the complain of other people too. Abuzar (Radiyallahu anhu) liked this advice and left from Madinah city to the village Rabza and started living far away from rich and worldly minded people.



He had only few camels to live on and a very old servent to look after the camels. One day one tribesman came to him and requested him, "I wish to stay with you to benefit from your knowledge of the commandments of Allah and the Sunnah of Nabi (Sallallahu Alaihi wa Sallam); I shall help your servant in looking after the camels as well."

Abuzar (Radiyallahu anhu) replied, "I can not keep a person does not cmply with my wishes. but if you can do always what I say, then you can stay, else you can leave"

The person asked "How would you like me to carry out your wishes?"

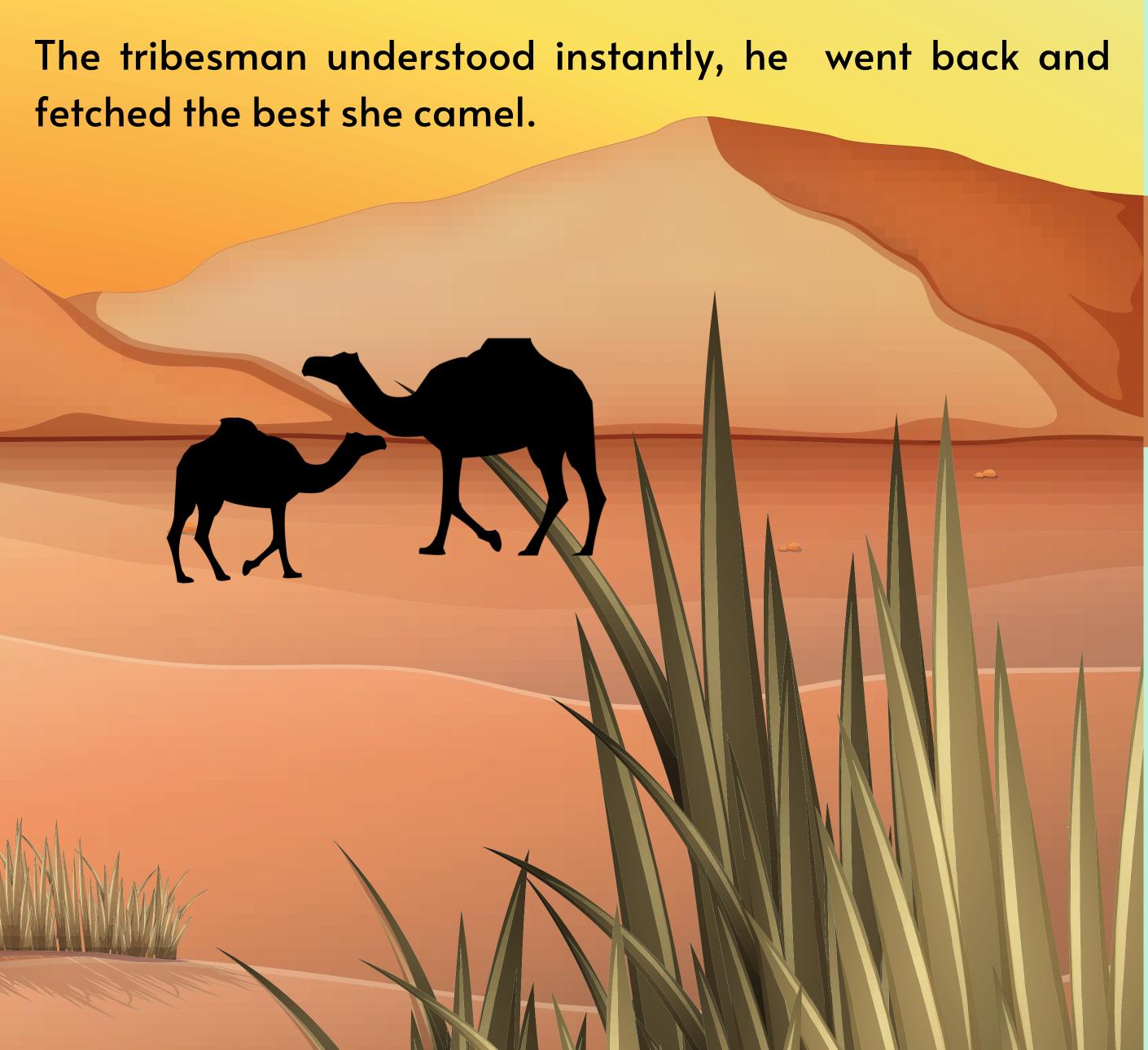
He then replied, "When I ask you to spend from my wealth, you have to spend the best of them"

It was easy condition, the tribesman agreed the condition and stayed with Abuzar (Radiyallahu Anhu)



One day Abuzar (Radiyallahu Anhu) heard that some poor people camping near the spring, are in dire need of food. He called the tribesman and asked him to fetch a camel from the lot of his camels to slaughter. The tribesman knew that, he should chose the best camel, he found the best camel was a she camel which was very good for riding, so he thaught the camel is going to be slaughtered anyway, lets take the 2nd best.

So he took the 2nd best camel for him, Abuzar (Radiyallahu Anhu) instantly said "So you broke your promise".

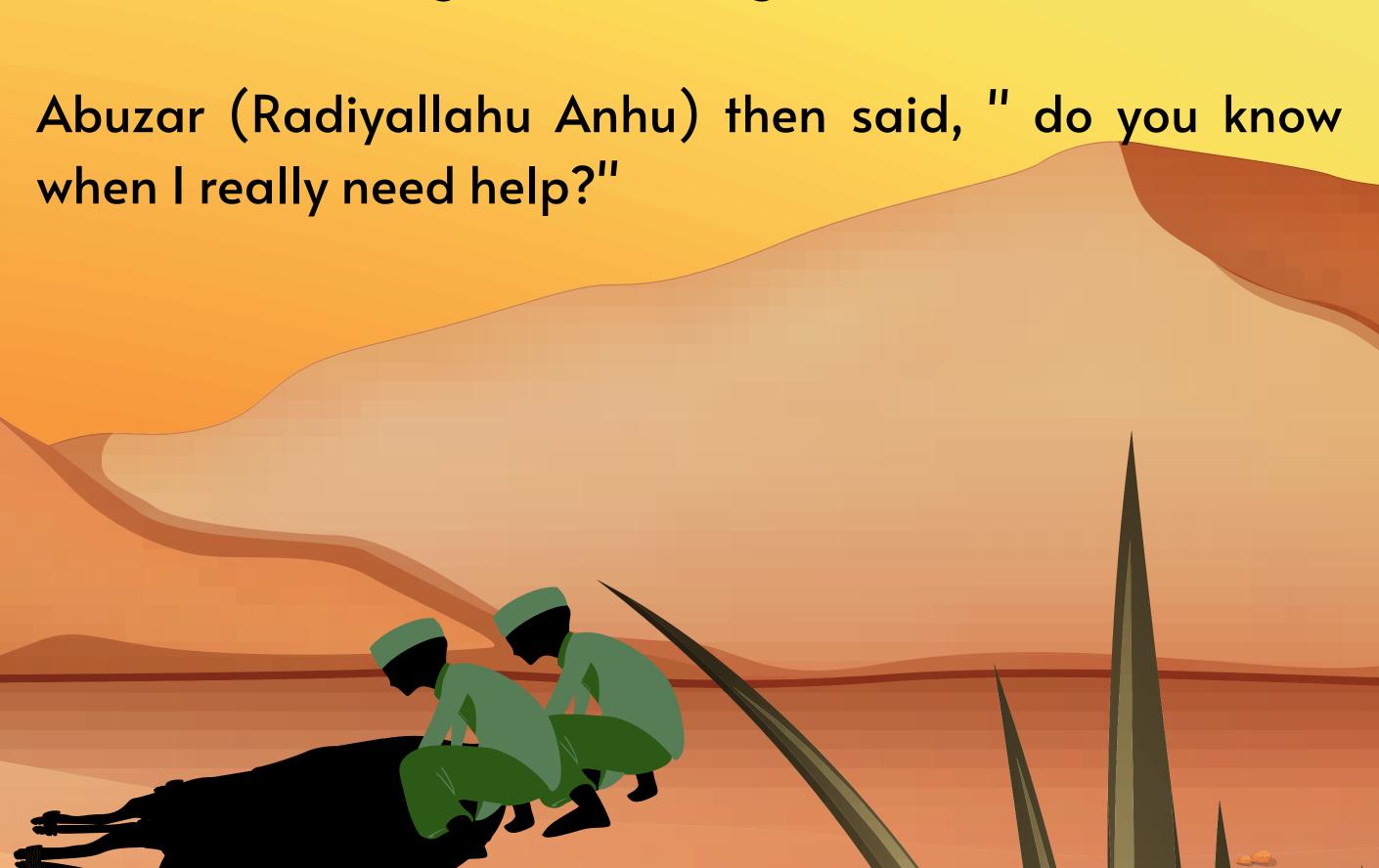


Abuzar (Radiyallahu Anhu) then said, "I want two person to do an Amaal for Allah."

Two people came immediately to volunteer, they slaughtered the camel then distributed the equal part of meat to every poor family, including the family of Abuzar (Radiyallahu Anhu). Abuzar (Radiyallah Anhu) instructed them to give the equal amount of meat to his family, not more than that.

After everything was done, Abuzar (Radiyallahu Anhu) called the tribesman and asked, "Did you intentionally ignored my instruction or you forget the instruction?"

The tribesman then said he thought to help Abuzar (Radiyallahu Anhu) by fetching the 2nd best camel as the first one was good for riding.



The man asked him "When?" He then answered,

"That is the day when I'll be all alone in the solitude of the grave. There are three partners of your wealth,

Irst is you destiny which does not wait to take away its share. Good or bad everything will be taken away.

2nd is your heirs, who are waiting for the day of your death.

3rd, yourself. That's why I chose to send in advance the thing I love the most and deposit in the hereafter.









All of the Sahaba Ikram (Radiyallahu Anhum) were very generouse.

My dear little hearts, let's be generous and first to give to the poor and needy. Allah SWT blessed us with so many things of this world but there are so many people who don't have any food for one meal, don't have cloth to were, many people are homeless, lets help the poor and needy. Allah SWT loves the people who help His creation the most and when a person gives something to the poor people Allah SWT gives him back 10 times more in this world and will give unlimited in the hereafter InshaAllah.

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