


IMAM AL ASKARI PART 2

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MUHTADI'S REIGN

- **After Al Mutazz's reign Al Muhtadi was the next ruler**
- **He ordered the people to throw the imam in prison**
- **In prison he meets Abu Hashim al-Ja'fari who was a good friend of the Imam**
- **Some of the imam's followers wrote to him, "We have been informed that he (al-Muhtadi) threatens your Shi'a and says he will remove them from the face of the earth. Imam Al Askari replied, 'That is beyond his life. Count, from this day five days, and he shall be killed in the sixth day after disgrace, meanness, and lowness befall him.'**
- **The Turks became displeased with al-Muhtadi. They attacked him with daggers and killed him five days later like the imam said**
- **The Imam was released after Muhtadi's death**

REVIEW QUESTIONS

- 1. Who ruled after Al Mutazz?**
 - 2. Who does the Imam Meet in prison**
 - 3. Describe the interactions between the followers and the Imam**
 - 1. Al Muhtadi**
 - 2. Abu Hasham Al Jafari**
 - 3. They sent letters concerning what Al muhtadi will do with the Imam and his followers but the imam assures them not to worry because muhtadi would be disposed of in five days later**
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MUTAMIDS REIGN

- **Mutamid succeeded Muhtadi when he was twenty five**
- **He spent his reign doing sins going after women etc. which made him unlikeable**
- **The Imam and his brother Jafar were both sent to jail**
- **Ali bin Jurayn, the jailer, informed the caliph on the two's activities**
- **Ali bin Jurayn told the caliph that the imam did not do anything that might oppose the Abbasid policy, and that he turned his back to this world and turned to Allah the Almighty. He fasted during the day and spent the night in worships.**

MUTAMIDS REGIN CONTINUED

Another time, the caliph asked the jailer to inform him about everything the imam did or said, and he answered with the same reply as the last slide.

The caliph ordered him to set the imam free, and apologize to him.

The jailer hurried to the imam and found him ready to get out. the Imam had already put on his clothes and shoes.

the jailer informed the imam of the decision of al-Mu'tamid. Imam Al Askari began to ride on his horse but did not move.

The jailer asked him why and the imam said, 'not until Ja'far comes with me too.'

The jailer said, 'But he ordered me to set you free alone without him.'

The jailer went and told al-Mu'tamid what the imam said. He ordered him to set Ja'far free too. Imam Al Askari left the prison while reciting, (surah 50: ayah 51)

Imam Abu Muhammad (a.s.) suffered different kinds of harms and distresses from al-Mu'tamid. Mutamid surrounded the imam with detectives and policemen to watch him and to chase all the jurisprudents, 'Ulama', and the Shi'a who tried to meet him.

They also put economical blockades so he couldn't have money

He remained under watch until he was assassinated with poison by the order of al-Mu'tamid.

Al mutamid was jealous of the glorification the Imam received so he assassinated him

The Imam died on the eighth of Rabee'ul Awwal

Imam al Askari was twenty eight when he was assassinated