

# Abu Bakr Information

After the death of Muhammad many Muslims could not agree on who should be the first caliph. The group that would later become known as the Sunni Muslims believed that Abdullah ibn Abi Quhaafah (Abu Bakr) should be given the role.

When Muhammad married Abu Bakr's daughter, Aisha, Abu Bakr became his father in law. The relationship between the two men was very strong and they were always close.

Abu Bakr was the first person to convert to Islam outside of Muhammad's family. He was a loyal supporter of Muhammad and fought in many battles alongside him.

Sunni Muslims believe that the caliph should be a political rather than a spiritual leader and that he should be chosen by the people of the community.

Abu Bakr helped in many campaigns like the Conquest of Mecca, the siege of Ta'if and the Battle of Tabuk and he gave all his money to help fund the expeditions.

Abu Bakr was the 'second of the two who lay in the cave' when he hid with Muhammad in a cave in Jabal Thawr when they were being chased by a Meccan search party. This would later be written about in the Qur'an.

Spreading the word of Islam was crucial and Abu Bakr was responsible for converting many people to the faith. He was fully devoted to Muhammad and the promotion of Islam.

