Mohammad's Marriage
Mohammad (May peace be upon him) returned to Makkah from his trip to Bilad-Ashaam (Syria) with a great profit, and Khadija became very happy. Mohammad told his uncle Abu Talib all about his trade and the success he had. Abu Talib was grateful and happy that his nephew returned safely.
Maisara told Khadija about Mohammad's conversation with priest Nustora. He told Khadija how Nustora said that Mohammad had all the signs of the "Expected Messenger". When Khadija heard Maisara's stories about Mohammad, she asked him to arrange for her meeting with Mohammad. After she talked with Mohammad, she admired him very much.

Mohammad was gentle, handsome and charming. He was twenty-five years old. Khadija was a few years older than Mohammad, and was married before. Khadija let Mohammad know about her feelings towards him. He shared with her the same feelings. Soon they decided to marry each other and announced the news to their families.
Abu Talib, Mohammad's uncle, was pleased because Khadija was a respectable lady from a noble family.

After a few days, Abu Talib, Mohammad, and the nobles of Quraish went to Khadija's house to arrange for the marriage of Mohammad.

Mohammad and Khadija invited Quraish nobles to the wedding reception. Everybody was happy and enjoyed the party.

Mohammad started a happy life with Khadija.

Since he had a painful childhood, Khadija gave him all the love and care he needed.
Khadija was very rich, so she felt her husband, Mohammad, was the best possible person to share her life with. She knew that Mohammad would take care of her and her business. At that time, Mohammad had a very good friend called "Abu Bakr". They spent a lot of time together as they worked as traders.

One day, Khadija told Mohammad that he was going to be a father. Mohammad was pleased with this news. Soon they started preparing for the baby's arrival.

When Khadija felt it was time for the baby to be born, she sent for her husband who came home immediately.

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فَفَرَحَ بِهِذَا الحَمْرُ، وَبَدَأَ يَسْتَعَدُ لِالسَّمَتَابَ الْمَوْلُودٍ
وَلَمْ أَحْسِتْ خَادِيْجَةَ بِفَاصِرَةَ بِوُسْعِ الْمَوْلُودَ أُرْسِلَتْ
إِلَى زَوْجَهَا، الَّذِي عَادَ إِلَى الْبَيْتِ فِي الْحَالِ.
When Mohammad heard the little girl's first cry, he was very happy to be a father. He looked at her pretty face and named her "Zainab".

After Zainab, Khadija gave Mohammad three other daughters named: "Ruqaia" "Um-Kulthom", and "Fatima".

Mohammad was kind, tender, and patient with his four little girls. He loved them very much. Khadija was eager to give her husband, Mohammad, a son. When her fifth baby was born, he was a boy.
Khadija sent for Mohammad, who was busy with his best friend Abu Bakr. Mohammad came to Khadija and held the little baby boy. He named him "Al Quassem". All the family was overjoyed. The happiness of Mohammad's family did not last long because the little boy fell sick and died.

Mohammad became sad. He looked at the sky while his tears were rolling down. Losing a child was very painful for him. Abu Talib, Mohammad's uncle, had many children. As he became older in age and weaker in health, it was difficult for him to feed his whole family.

ارسلت خديجة لمحمد الذي كان مع صديقه أبي بكر - فتعاد مسرعاً، واحتفظ الطفل الصغير، وسماء (القسم)، وكانت الأسرة كلها سعيدة بهذا المولود. ولكن السعادة لم تستمر طويلا، فقد مرض الطفل، ثم مات.

حزن محمد، ونظر إلى السماء ودموعه تتساقط، فقد كان موت ابنه مؤلمًا له. وفي ذلك الوقت، كان لعمه أبي طالب أبناء كثيرون، فلما أصبح كبير السن، ضعيفة الصحة، أصبح من الصعب عليه أن يطعم هذه العائلة الكبيرة.
Therefore, Mohammad offered to have "Ali", Abu Talib's son, to live with him. Abu Talib agreed and Ali came to live at his cousin's home. Mohammad paid special attention to Ali. He brought him up as a wise and brave young man. Ali was proud to live with his cousin Mohammad.

As a young boy, Ali noticed how Mohammad respected men and women and treated rich and poor alike. Another little boy raised at Mohammad's home was an orphan named "Zaid Ibn Haritha". Zaid had lost both his parents when he was brought to Makkah. Mohammad raised him with his family.
Thus, his family were made up of his wife: Khadija, his daughters: Zainab, Ruqaia, Um-Kulthom, and Fatima, his cousin, Ali, his nanny Um-Ayman, and the little boy Zaid.

All of them enjoyed the love and kindness of the wonderful man, Mohammad.