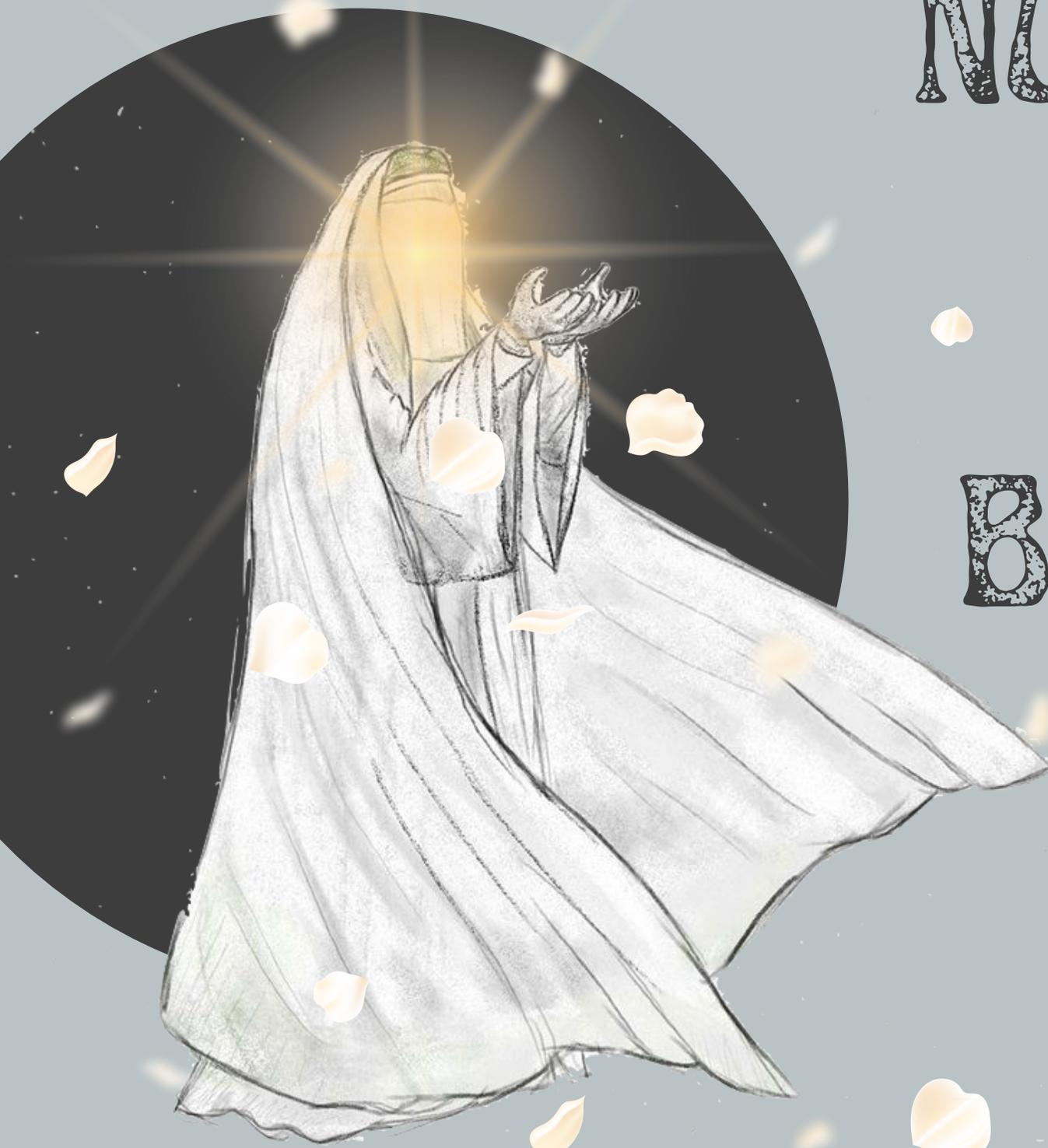




NOTHING

BUT

BEAUTY



This iconic line of Sayyida Zainab (sa) from her sermon, not only uncovers her esteem stature in eyes of Allah (swt) but also displays the peak of her certainty in the Creator.

فَاصْبِرْ صَبْرًا جَمِيلًا ﴿٥﴾

So be patient, with a patience that is graceful. (70:5)

The Almighty Allah (swt) has mentioned the word "جَمِيلًا (beauty/grace)" 4 times in the Noble Qur'an. The context of this word in the verses is tied with the difficult situations where Allah (swt) has commanded patience as a virtue for those stages and beauty is what follows the patience.

So in the totality of most vicious battle of Karbala, what did the eyes of Sayyida Zainab (sa) see?



WHAT DID THE EYES OF SAYYIDA ZAINAB (SA) SEE?

It would be unjust to claim that one can understand the true meaning of the pure statement of Sayyida Zainab (sa), but here we have dissected this statement into the lens of **past**, **present** and **future**. This time frame should be taken in context of the time when Sayyida Zainab (sa) delivered the sermon with her pure and truest tongue.

Through the greatest insight, the daughter of the noblest parents, Sayyida Zainab (sa) mentioned the promise of Allah from the **past**, presented the beloved sacrifice of Imam Husayn (a) and his companions from the **present** situation and predicted the outcomes of the lovers of Ali (a) from the **future** with just one sentence.

"ما رأيتُ إلا جميلاً"

"I saw nothing but beauty"

This sentence will remain a testimony over her deep knowledge and unshakable certainty on the Almighty.

WHAT DID THE EYES OF SAYYIDA ZAINAB (SA) SEE?

وَفَدَيْنَاهُ بِذَبْحٍ عَظِيمٍ ﴿١٠٧﴾

So We ransomed him for a great sacrifice 37:107

She saw the fulfillment of the ransom of Ismail, Allah (swt) had promised to Prophet Ibrahim (a), in the form of the martyrdom of her brother .

The hastening of companions (a)

Sayyida Zainab (sa) watched the hastening of the companions in sacrificing their lives for Imam Husayn (a).

The obedience of Al Abbas (a)

She witnessed the peak of obedience of al Abbas (a) who, despite having the deepest desire to obtain permission to fight, fulfilled his duties of fetching water.

Emotional Intelligence of Mothers

She observed the willingness of the mothers who presented their children's lives to support the mission of her brother.

Utmost Patience of Imam Husayn (a)

While going through the toughest calamities, Zainab (sa) saw the utmost patience of Aba Abdullah (a) who remained unwearied from defending his stance.



The Greatest Arbaeen Walk

The pure eyes of Sayyida Zainab (sa) were fixed on the future, where she was seeing millions of zauwwar marching towards the grave of Imam Husayn (a) in Arbaeen, ultimately fulfilling her tradition. The Creator who mandated the march between the mountains of Safa and Marwa, in the memory of Hajra, during Hajj; promised the reward of **1000s** of hajj for the zauwwar of Al Husayn (a) who would march towards his grave in the memory of Sayyida Zainab's (sa) march.

■ Past

■ Present

■ Future

THIS WAS THE BEAUTY
ANNA (SA) SAW!

