

Islamic Studies

Part-4

History of Prophets



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1 PROPHETS WORLDWIDE

- ▶ Welcome to Part 4 of our Islamic studies. In Sha Allah, In this book, we are going to study the history of prophets.
- ▶ Do you like to hear stories of different prophets?
- ▶ Have you ever heard stories about the prophets? If yes, whose story have you heard?
- ▶ You might have studied the history of some of the prophets. In this book, we are going to study the history of some of the prophets mentioned in the Quran, in short. In Sha Allah.
- ▶ We are all Muslims, right? What is the name of our religion?

ISLAM

Do you know the biggest misconceptions about Islam?

- ▶ The biggest misconception about Islam is that this religion was founded by the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ 14 centuries ago.

- Actually, the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is not the founder of this religion. He is only the last messenger that Almighty God sent to human beings.



- Islam has existed in this world since the first man set foot on the earth. We already studied that Allah created everything in this world, including human beings.

Do you remember the purpose of our lives?

- Yes, we studied the purpose of our lives as mentioned in Chapter 51, verse 56, of the Quran.

وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ

(I did not create jinn and humans except to worship Me.)

- So the purpose of our lives is to worship Allah alone.
In order to worship Allah properly, we have to obey his commandments in all aspects of our lives.

➤ If we obey Allah in all aspects of our lives, we will become perfect Muslims. Can we see Allah from this world? No.



➤ Then how can we communicate with Allah? How can we know the commandments of Allah?

➤ Allah sent different prophets to this world, and they taught us how to live in this world and obey Allah's commandments. So friends, Allah communicated with human beings through his prophets.

What was the most important message?

➤ Allah sent prophets to all communities and nations, and all of them taught one message. All of them asked people to worship Allah alone and explained the commandments of Allah on how to live in this world.

وَلَقَدْ بَعَثْنَا فِي كُلِّ أُمَّةٍ رَسُولًا أَنِ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُوا الطَّاغُوتَ

"We surely sent a messenger to every community, saying, "Worship Allah and shun false gods."
[Quran 16:36]

➤ So friends, what did you understand from the above verse?

Why did Allah send prophets? What was the message taught by all the prophets?

Do you know how many prophets were sent to this world?



➤ Allah has sent thousands of prophets to this world to serve different nations and communities. But we know only the names of the 25 prophets who are mentioned in the Quran.



Do you know the names of the prophets mentioned in the Quran?

1 Adam (a)

2 Idris (a)

3 Nuh (a)

4 Hud (a)

5 Swalih (a)

6 Lut (a)

7 Ibrahim (a)

8 Ismail (a)

9 Ishaq (a)

10 Yaqub (a)

11 Yusuf (a)

12 Shu'aib (a)

13 Ayyub (a)

14 Dhulkifl (a)

15 Musa (a)

16 Harun (a)

17 Dawood (a)

18 Sulayman (a)

19 Ilyas (a)

20 Al-Yasa (a)

21 Yunus (a)

22 Zakariya (a)

23 Yahya (a)

24 Isa (a)

25 Muhammed ﷺ

➤ Difference between prophets and messengers

Among these 25 prophets, some are messengers of Allah.

So what is the difference between prophets and messengers?

Messengers are those to whom Allah revealed holy books, but prophets are all the people Allah selected to convey his messages, including the messengers.



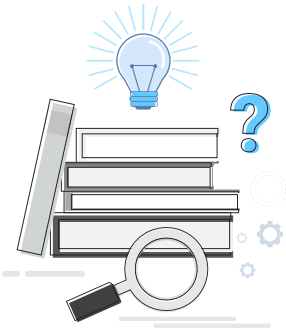
- These are some books revealed by Allah to different prophets: Thawrat to Musa (a), Zaboor to Dawood (a), Injeel to Isa (a), and Quran to Muhammed (s).
- The Holy Quran is the only ancient book which is preserved throughout the last 1400 years. All other books are corrupted by people.



- Now, did you understand the difference between messengers and prophets?

➤ To conclude, all messengers are prophets, and all prophets are not messengers.

- Are you excited to learn the history of prophets? In Sha Allah, in the coming chapters, we are going to learn the histories of the 9 prophets mentioned in the Quran.
- Please note that we will only discuss some historical facts. We will study more about these prophets in higher classes.
- May Allah help you learn more about different prophets. We also request that you watch the videos given in the textbook on historical places of prophets through the QR code provided.



EXPLANATORY QUESTION



- 1 One of your Muslim friends told you that Islam is a religion founded by the prophet Muhammad ﷺ before the 14th century and that he was the first practising Muslim. Is that statement correct? Were there any Muslims living on this earth before him? How will you explain this to your friend?
- 2 You attended a motivational class in your school, and the speaker told you that the purpose of this life is to become successful in this world by making lots of money and gaining fame. According to the Quran, what is the true meaning of our lives? Can you explain the actual purpose of our lives based on the Quran?
- 3 In order to become Muslims, we have to obey the commandments of Allah. How did Allah convey his commandments to mankind?

4 وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ

Can you memorise this verse along with its meaning? You should also explain the importance and relevance of this verse to your teacher.

- 5 One of your friends told you that Allah sent prophets only to Arabia. Is that statement correct? Can you explain your argument by quoting an ayah from the Quran along with its meaning?
- 6 Can you memorise the names of the 25 prophets mentioned in the Quran ?
NB: I will give you one tip to memorise. On the first day, learn the names of five prophets. On day 2, you have to revise the previously learned five names and learn five new ones. On day 3, revise the previously memorised 10 names and learn 5 more. On day 4, revise the previously memorised 15 names and learn five more. On day 5, revise the previously learned 20 names and memorise the remaining 5 names. As a result, you can remember the entire name. On days 6 and 7, you must go through the entire list of 25 names that you have memorized. You can take one or two weeks to complete this task.
- 7 Our beloved Muhammad ﷺ is a prophet as well as a messenger. But Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) is a prophet alone. Can you distinguish the difference between a prophet and a messenger?
- 8 Allah gave different books to different prophets. Can you tell the names of the books Allah gave to the prophets along with their names?



- 1 What is the biggest misconception about Islam?
- 2 Who was the last messenger Allah sent to mankind?
- 3 Islam has existed in this world since set foot on the earth.
- 4 What is the real purpose of our lives?
- 5 How can we become perfect Muslims?
- 6 Who was the first prophet in this world?
- 7 What was the most important message of the prophets?
- 8 are those to whom Allah revealed holy books.
- 9 Allah gave the Thawrat to
- 10 Allah revealed the Quran to



2 PROPHET ADAM (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)

Dear student, do you know the name of your grandpa? What about your grandma? Yes, we all know the names of our grandparents because we love them a lot. What about your great-grandparents?

Yes, most of you know about your great-grandparents too.

Do you know the names of your grandparents' grandparents?

Can you find out the names of your great-grandparents and write them here?

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If we continue along this chain, we will finally reach the greatest grandpa and grandma. My, your, and all of the individuals in this world's greatest grandparents will be the same if we go back thousands of generations.

Do you know what their names are?

Yes, Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Hawwa (حَوَاء). They are the first humans in this world. In English, we call them Adam and Eve.

Do you know their story?



- Some of you may know the basic story of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Eve.

It is an interesting history that we should learn, and it has many lessons too. In Sha Allah, we are going to discuss that in this chapter.

Adam (a) and Hawwa were the first people to enter this world. Allah also selected Adam as his first prophet to mankind.

Whenever we hear the names of prophets, we should say (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) which means "Peace be upon him."

- From where can we know the history of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)?
- Yes, Allah has taught the history of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) through the Quran clearly.
- The history of Adam is also mentioned in today's Bible. But we can find some differences when we compare the true message of the Quran. The history of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) is mentioned in several verses of the Quran.

➤ Allah decided to create human beings

Allah informed the angels about the creation of Adam.

➤ And [mention, O Muhammad], when your Lord said to the angels, "Indeed, I will make upon the earth a successive authority." They said, "Will You place upon it one who causes corruption therein and sheds blood, while we exalt You with praise and declare Your perfection?" He [Allāh] said, "Indeed, I know that which you do not know." (2:30)

➤ From the above verse, we can understand that when Allah informed the angels about the creation of Adam, (a) they were worried about the behaviour of humans on earth.

➤ Allah created Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) from clay and gave him life. His height was 60 cubits, which is approximately 28 meters.

➤ Angel's prostration before Adam and Iblees's disobedience of Allah's Command:

Allah honoured Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and taught him the names of all things. After creating Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) Allah asked Angels to prostrate in front of him.

➤ And [mention] when We said to the angels, "Prostrate before Adam"; so they prostrated, except for Iblees.

He refused and was arrogant and became of the disbelievers.(2:34)

- ▶ When Allah commanded the angels to prostrate before Adam, Iblees was included in this command. All angels obeyed Allah's command, but Iblees didn't.
- ▶ Allah asked, "What prevented you from prostrating when I commanded you?" He replied, "I am better than he is. You created me from fire and him from clay." (7:12)

Iblees expelled from heaven

- ▶ Because of his arrogance and disobedience, Allah punished him by expelling him from heaven.

PUNISHMENT

- ▶ He arrogantly accepted the punishment of Allah, and he only begged Allah to give him the opportunity for eternal life until the Day of Judgment.
- ▶ Allah approved Iblees's will and allowed him to have eternal life until the day of resurrection. He was not grateful for the granting by Allah, but instead he threatened to mislead Adam (a) and his descendants.

- He always invites people to perform forbidden things, motivates them to deviate from the religious orders, and influences them not to be grateful to Allah for the blessings.
- [Iblees] said, "My Lord, because You have put me in error, I will surely make [disobedience] attractive to them [i.e., mankind] on earth, and I will mislead them all except, among them, Your chosen servants." (15:39,40)
- Allah said: Over My true servants, you will be able to exercise no power; your power will be confined to the erring ones, those who choose to follow you. (15:42)
- So, Iblees will deviate those who tend to disobey Allah's commandments and will not have any rights over those who are true believers in Allah, the servants of Allah.

BEWARE

Beware of Iblees and his companions

- He hates mankind, who are the children of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), because he is cursed and has been banished from the mercy of Allah because of his refusal to prostrate to their father Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). Hence Allah has warned His slaves against him and has said:
 - "Surely, Shaytaan is an enemy to you, so take (treat) him as an enemy. He only invites his hizb (followers) that they may become the dwellers of the blazing Fire." [35:6]
 - The believer can be saved from traps by obeying his Lord and adhering to His religion, for the shaytaan has no power over those who believe and follow Allah's commandments.
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- Allah also created the wife of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), the first woman on the earth with him. Yes, she is Hawwa. She is our greatest grandmother.
 - Would you like to see them? In Sha Allah, we will see them when we enter heaven. Are you excited to see them?
 - Masha Allah, we can reach heaven if we follow the commandments of Allah and practise salah perfectly,

and we can see all the prophets from there.

- ▶ Allah made Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his wife, Hawwa, live in heaven and provided all prosperity and happiness.

Heaven

- ▶ Allah gave them a lot of blessings. They had a variety of fruits, foods, and so on. They enjoyed their life in heaven. But Allah forbids them from eating from a tree. They continued living in heaven with all its happiness.
- ▶ One day, Iblees, the enemy of mankind, decided to mislead Adam (a) and Hawwa and encourage them to eat from the tree prohibited by Allah. Iblees whispered and motivated Adam and Hawwa to eat fruit from that tree.
- ▶ **Allah already warned Adam and Hawwa regarding Iblees.**
"O Adam! Verily, this is an enemy to you and to your wife.
So let him not get you both out of Paradise, so that you be distressed in misery. [20:117]"

➤ Iblees decided to deviate them.

Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Hawwa understood that they were forbidden to eat the fruit of that tree. Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was, however, a human being, and man tends to forget Allah's commandments. His heart changes and his will weakens. Iblis summoned all the envy within him and took advantage of Adam's humanity to exploit him.

➤ Iblees said to Adam(a)

But Satan whispered to them to make apparent to them that which was concealed from them of their private parts. He said, "Your Lord did not forbid you this tree except that you become angels or become of the immortal." And he (Satan) swore by Allah to them both (saying): "Verily, I am one of the sincere well-wishers for you both." [Quran 7:20,21]

➤ Then what happened?

Then they both ate of the tree, and so their private parts appeared to them, and they began to stick on themselves the leaves from Paradise for their covering. Thus did Adam disobey his Lord, so he went astray. [Quran 20:121]

BEWARE OF SHAIKHAN



- Friends, they obeyed the words of Iblees and ate from that tree, disobeying the words of Allah. Soon after they ate from that tree, they became naked and covered their shame with the leaves from heaven.

But they realised their mistake and begged for forgiveness from Allah.

- They prayed to Allah,

رَبَّنَا ظَلَمْنَا أَنفُسَنَا وَإِن لَّمْ تَغْفِرْ لَنَا وَتَرْحَمْنَا لَنَكُونَنَّ مِنَ الْخَاسِرِينَ

They said, "Our Lord, we have wronged ourselves, and if You do not forgive us and have mercy upon us, we will surely be among the losers."

[Quran 7:23]

- Allah forgave them and advised that Iblees is the enemy of mankind. Similarly, when we commit sins, we should seek forgiveness from Allah.

➤ **Every child is born without any sins**

In Islam, we believe that Allah forgave the sins of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). But, according to the belief of Christians, the sin committed by Adam was transferred to human beings.



- But we Muslims believe that all babies are born pure and innocent, without any sins. Friends, Shaytaan is our biggest enemy and will always motivate us to fall into sin.

Do you know the difference between Jinn, angels, and human beings?

- These three are different creations of Allah. But there are some differences.
- All angels are good, and they always obey and praise Allah.
- But there are both good and bad jinn. Good Jinn obey the commandments of Allah, while bad Jinn disobey. Likewise, we know that there are good and bad men who obey and disobey Allah.
- Angels are created from light, while jinns are created from fire. We human beings are created from clay.

- Humans and jinns can choose between good and evil, whereas angels always obey Allah and choose only good.
- We human beings can neither see angels nor jinn from the earth.
- To conclude, Jinns and men can be good or bad. However, there are only good angels.

➤ Now let's check the difference between the term Shaytaan and Iblees.

Difference between Iblees and Shaytaan

- There are Shayathin from Men and Jinn. The majority of them are jinn. Not every jinn is a Shaytaan. We studied about Jinns. Among the jinn, there are good jinn who obey Allah and bad jinn who disobey Allah.
- Iblees is a bad jinn. He is only one of the jinns among many bad jinns. He is the leader of the bad jinns. He is the one who disobeyed Allah arrogantly. He is humanity's number one enemy.

➤ There are shaytaan among men. A person's committing a sin doesn't make him a Shaytaan, but a person, when he becomes a door of sins in the society, and the leader of sins who invites others to commit sins are the Shaytaan from humans.

➤ It should be noted that Shaytan is a 'common noun' whereas Iblis is a 'proper noun'. In other words, every harmful, deviating and rebellious entity - human or otherwise - is referred to as Shaytan. Iblis is the name of that Shaytan, who deceived Adam and even presently, together with his soldiers and forces, lies in ambush of the humans.

➤ We Should always seek Allah's protection from Shaytaan by reciting

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

➤ Do you know its meaning?

(I seek Allah's protection (refuge) from Shaytaan, the accursed").

Our prophet Muhammad ﷺ has taught us many things to do to get protected from the tricks of Shythan.

- 1 We should connect our lives with the Quran.
- 2 We should read, understand and reflect the message of the Quran everyday.
- 3 We should perform obligatory prayers five times daily at their proper time.
- 4 We should perform sunnah salahs as much as possible.
- 5 We should always pray to Allah for guidance and support.
- 6 We should always seek forgiveness.
- 7 We should recite the daily life duas every day.
- 8 We should perform night prayers.
- 9 We should lower our gaze.
- 10 We should surround ourselves with good friends who remind us of Allah.

- 11 We should always stay connected to Islamic circles and groups.
- 12 We should try to learn about Islam every day. And besides all that, we should acknowledge that Shaytaan is the biggest enemy of mankind. So, whenever we feel bad thoughts coming to our mind, we should seek refuge from the Shaytaan and seek protection from Allah.



- Shaytaan never comes directly in front of us but will make us think about the evil in our hearts. Shaytaan is very cunning and tricky, and he makes men fall into immorality in various ways.
- For example, if we think about performing salah, Shaytaan encourages us to delay or skip it. Shaytaan may also make us think about watching or doing bad things.
- But we should never fall into the trap of Shaytaan in our lives.

Though Allah forgave Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Hawwa, he took them back from heaven and made them live on earth for the rest of their lives.



- ▶ **After this incident, Allah decided to make humans stay on this earth, worshipping Allah alone, and die there.**
- ▶ Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his wife Eve started to live on this earth. Allah provided all the necessities on this earth as a blessing that is not available on any other planet. They were blessed with children, including Haabeel, Qaabeel, and daughters. Through them later, humans were born and spread all over the earth.
- ▶ **Do you wish to go to heaven?**
After the day of judgement, if we have worshipped Allah alone and have done more good deeds, we can again enter heaven, from where our greatest grandparents have come. Friends, should we all enter heaven? Yes, we should obey the commandments of Allah, the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, and our parents and do many good deeds so we can enter heaven In Sha Allah.

SECRET

➡ The secret to enter jannah

In order to enter heaven, we should proclaim Shahadha and live accordingly.

Do you remember the words of Kalima Shahadha?

It is...

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ

which means, "I bear witness that there is no God but, Allah, and I bear witness that Muhammad is the messenger of Allah".

6 ARTICLES OF FAITH

➡ Besides, we should believe in the six articles of faith perfectly.

Do you remember the six articles of faith in Islam?

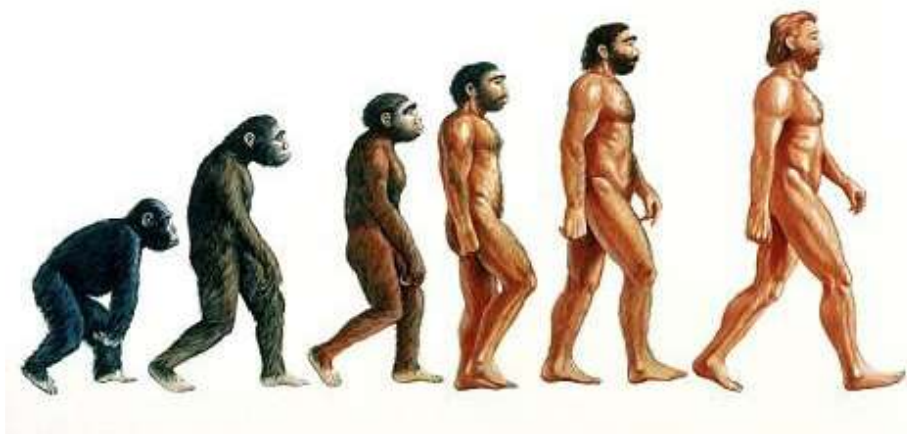
Can you say them?

5 PILLARS OF ISLAM

➤ Along with proper belief in six articles of faith, we should practise the five pillars of Islam and many other good deeds taught by our prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Do you remember the five pillars of Islam? Can you name the five pillars of Islam?

➤ **Allah created us. We were not evolved from Apes!**

So friends, now we have studied the history of the first human being in the world. Do you know who is an atheist? Atheists are those who don't believe in God.



➤ Many atheists believe in a theory called "Darwin's theory," which says that our ancestors were Apes. But, being Muslims, we don't believe in that theory, and we believe that our great-grandfather is Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), and we don't believe that our ancestors were Apes or that we evolved from Apes.

Lessons from the life of prophet Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)

- 1** We all have parents and were born on this earth. But Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was created by Allah from nothing. So, the creation of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) is evidence that Allah can create everything from nothing.
- 2** Allah created prophet Isa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) without a father. But Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was created both without a mother and a father. The creation of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) by Allah is much more amazing than that of Isa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).
- 3** After creating Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), Allah asked the Angels and Jinn to prostrate before Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). This shows the position of humans over others. So, Allah has given human beings a great position over other creations. So we should obey the commandments of Allah.
- 4** When we study the history of Shaytaan, we can understand that, whether we obey and follow Allah or not, Allah has no loss. But the loss is always ours.
- 5** When Allah asked everyone to prostrate before Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), the Shaytaan disobeyed. So Allah expelled him from heaven.

That was the biggest loss for Shaytaan. Similarly, if we disobey Allah, we will have to suffer many losses.

- 6 The biggest lesson we should learn from the history of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) is that Shaytaan is the biggest enemy of human beings.
- 7 Allah gave Adam(a) and Hawwa the opportunity to live in heaven. But Shaytaan whispered and motivated them to eat from the forbidden tree. Thus, they were expelled from heaven. Similarly, Shaytaan may also whisper and motivate us to commit many sins. So, we should always be careful and consider Shaytaan our biggest enemy. Because sins committed due to the motivation of Shaytaan may even cause us to lose our everlasting heaven.
- 8 When Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) committed a sin by mistake, he sought forgiveness from Allah for that sin. So, Allah forgave his sins. Allah loves those who seek forgiveness.
- 9 We should seek forgiveness from Allah if we commit any sins.

- 10 Shaytaan will always try to deviate us from following in Allah's commandments. So, we should seek forgiveness from Allah frequently.
- 11 We should understand the power of our enemy, Shaytaan. Because he even succeeded in deviating Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) from the commandment of Allah. Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was a great prophet from Allah, even though Shaytaan whispered in his heart to deviate from Allah's words and did it. So, it is easy for Shaytaan to make us deviate from Allah. We should always be careful and pray to Allah for protection from the accursed Shaytaan.
- 12 Our prophet Muhammad ﷺ asked us to seek protection from Shaytaan to Allah by reciting *أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ*, which means "I seek refuge in Allah from the Shaytaan, the accursed". We should recite this always throughout our lives.
- 13 In order to seek protection from the cursed Shaytaan, Allah has asked us to recite many duas, including Surah Al-Falaq, Surah An-Nas, and Ayathul Kursi. So we should recite it frequently. We also discussed different other ways to manage Shaytaan's evils. We should apply those methods on a daily basis.

- 14 Al-Ghafoor, الْغَفُورُ is one of the beautiful names of Allah which means, "All-Forgiving". So, we should not hesitate to seek forgiveness from Allah.
- 15 From the history of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), we can understand the features of three different creations of Allah. Angels are creations who always obey Allah. They never disobey Allah. But we human beings and Jinn may disobey Allah because Allah has given humans and Jinn free will, which means He has given us the option of choosing right or wrong.
- 16 From the story of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), we can understand that we human beings are always impatient and forget Allah's commandments. So, we should always direct our minds to remember Allah through the recitation of the Quran or through different Adhkar.
- 17 Many people believe that our ancestors were Apes, but the history of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) teaches that our grandparents weren't Apes; they were Adam and Hawwa.
- 18 From the story of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), we can see the different attitudes of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Shaytaan. Both of them committed sins.

But their attitude after the commitment of sins was different. Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) sought forgiveness from Allah, but Shaytaan never sought forgiveness.

19 When Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) repented to Allah for his sins, Allah forgave him. But Shaytaan didn't repent to Allah due to his arrogance. So, it caused him to get into hell and become dissatisfied in front of Allah. We should be like Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), in that we should always be ready to seek forgiveness from Allah for the sins we commit.

20 The Iblees is only one of the leaders of Shaytaan. There are many other followers of Shaytaan among men and jinns. Many people start to disobey Allah due to the influence of their friends. So we should choose our friends' circle carefully.

➤ Now let's compare the attitudes of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Shaytaan.

Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)

- 1 He acknowledged his sin.
He repented for his sin.
- 2 He criticised himself.

Shaytaan

- 1 He did not acknowledge and repent of his sin.
- 2 He never criticised himself.

- 3 He immediately apologized.
- 4 He always hoped for Allah's mercy.

- 3 He did not apologize.
- 4 He lost hope in Allah's mercy.

Conclusion

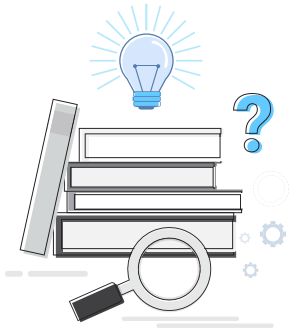
Dear friends, Shaytaan is the biggest enemy of human beings. Shaytaan includes everyone who causes us to deviate from Allah. Shaytaan can be human beings or jinn. We should always be careful of Shaytaan and frequently seek protection from him by reciting various duas, adhkar, and surahs taught by our prophet Muhammad (s).



- ▶ We should also be careful while choosing our friend circle, because many people deviate from Allah due to bad friends. Since the Quran warns us that Shaytaan may be from human beings too, we should be careful about our close friends too.

ALWAYS BEWARE OF SHYTAAN

- ▶ May Allah help us to learn lessons from the story of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and implement great virtues from his life.



EXPLANATORY QUESTION



- 1 When Allah informed the Angels about the creation of human beings, what was the comment of the Angels, and how did Allah respond to them?
- 2 When Allah ordered the Angels and Jinn to prostrate in front of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), how did Iblees respond to the command?
- 3 We studied that the Iblis is the biggest enemy of humans. Our prophet Muhammad ﷺ has taught us things to do in order to get protection from Iblees. What are those things to be done?
- 4 We studied different things to get protected from the tricks of Shaitan. Can you practise all the discussed things within one week? Inform your teacher after practising those.
- 5 We studied about Jinn, angels, and human beings. What is the difference between them? Compare and prepare a chart.
- 6 Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) understood his mistake, and he repented before Allah. What was the dua recited by

him that is mentioned in the Quran? You should memorise it and recite it to your teacher.

- 7 Our beloved Christian brothers believe that the sin committed by Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) is transferred to the later generations. So according to them, all human beings are sinners. Are new-born babies sinners? Do you believe in that? What is your opinion?
- 8 We know that there are good and bad humans. What about the angels and jinns? Are they the same as human beings?
- 9 Our prophet Muhammad ﷺ asked us to recite **أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ** What is the meaning of this and the benefit of reciting it? Explain.
- 10 Shaitan disobeyed Allah when asked to prostrate before Adam due to his arrogance. What was the punishment given by Allah to Shaitan for this arrogance? What was the request of Shaitan to Allah?
- 11 What happened to Adam and Hawwa when they ate fruit from the prohibited tree? What does Islam say about that?
- 12 We know that Shaitan is our biggest enemy and will motivate us to do bad things. Can you give some examples from your life where Shaitan motivated you to commit sins? Discuss this with your teacher.

- 13 Shaitan, who motivates humans to commit sins, has declared to deviate them from Allah. So all around us may also be trapped in Shaitan's tricks. Can you find some of the sins that we see in our society? Discuss it with your teacher and list out at least 25 sins seen around us.
- 14 Your little brother read a science book and explained to you that, according to the book, humans are descended from Apes. He also showed some photographs. How will you respond to him and make him understand the origin of human beings?
- 15 We use the names Iblis and Shaitan frequently. Who is Iblis, and what does it mean by Shaitan? Can you explain Iblis and Shaitan?
- 16 Both Adam and Iblis committed sins. But their attitude afterward was different. Can you compare the differences seen in them after committing the sins?
- 17 We studied different lessons from the history of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). You should discuss each lesson with your mentor. You can use your textbook while explaining your points.
- 18 What did Iblees said to Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Hawwa to motivate to eat the prohibited fruit?



- 1 Who was the first woman Allah created?
- 2 What do we call Hawwa in English?
- 3 What should we say after saying the names of the prophets?
- 4 What was the appropriate height of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 5 Where did Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Hawwa live first?
- 6 What was the only prohibition given by Allah to Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 7 Who misguided Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 8 Who is our biggest enemy?
- 9 How will Shaitan mislead us?

- 10 Allah decided to make humans live on till the day of judgement.
- 11 Allah created Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) from
- 12 Allah taught theof things to Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).
- 13 Who are atheists?
- 14 Allah created Jinn from
- 15 To whom did Allah commanded to prostrate in front of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)?
- 16 What did Iblees ask Allah when he was expelled from heaven?
- 17 Iblees can't deviate
- 18 What happened to Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Hawwa immediately after they ate the prohibited fruit?
- 19 Angels are created from
- 20 Can you name a creations of Allah that never commits any sins?

- 21 Who were the sons of Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 22 The creation of Adam is evident for that Allah can create from
- 23 Allah created Isa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) without a
- 24 The name of Allah اَلْغَفُورُ, means
- 25 Iblees is a bad
- 26 There are shayathin from both and
- 27 A person who is a door for sins in society is a
- 28 Name of Shaytaan who cheated Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).
- 29 What should we recite to seek protection from Shaytaan?
- 30 What was the behaviour of Shaytaan after committing the sin?

3 (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) نُوحٌ NUH

- ▶ Masha Allah! You studied the history of our greatest grandfather, Prophet Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). After Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), Allah sent the prophet Idris (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) as a prophet to mankind. In sha Allah, we will study his history in our upcoming textbook.
- ▶ Now let's study the history of one of the greatest prophets who ever lived in this world. Yes, we are going to study the history of prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). We can find the history of the prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) in the Bible, as his name was Noah. Prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) lived thousands of years ago in Iraq, but still we study his history. Dear student, he is very special, and so we study about him even now.



Do you remember what their important preaching to people was?

- ▶ Yes, all the prophets asked people to worship Allah alone, and they shared the commandments of Allah on how to live in this world. They also distinguished between what is right and wrong.
- ▶ During the lifetime of the prophet Idris (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), there were many righteous people living. After the death of Idris (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), these people guided Muslims and showed the righteous path. Later, these righteous people too passed away.
- ▶ This caused many people to deviate from the message of Allah, and they started to commit sins. At that time, Shaitan whispered in the hearts of people to create the statues of the righteous people who lived before, like Wadd, Suw'a, Yaghth, Yau'q, and Nasr.
- ▶ Shaithan also whispered, "If we make statues of these righteous men, it will be more pleasing to us in our worship and will remind us of them." After many years, people even forgot the reason for the creation of the idols and started to worship them.

Dear students, why did people create the idol at first?

➤ They created the idols to get closer to Allah. After many centuries, they even started to worship those idols. This is the exact thing that always happens in this world.

➤ Currently, many people build maqbara above the graves of great personalities and pray in front of them, saying that it is to get closer to Allah. But eventually they themselves start prostrating in front of those graves.

➤ Dear students, we should prostrate and worship only in front of Allah. No intermediary is required between us and Allah.

➤ Now let's go back to the story of the prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).

➤ In order to guide the deviated people, Allah sent prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) preached the oneness of Allah and asked people to worship Allah alone.

➤ He also said that Allah is the creator of everything in this world and that he is the provider of everything, and that one must worship him alone.

- ▶ He also warned people about terrible punishment if they rejected Allah and reminded them that Shaithan is the one who makes them deviate from Allah, and he asked them to return to the righteous path that Allah likes. He invited people to Islam day and night.
- ▶ He spent months and years on it, but many people rejected his invitation to Islam. When Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) invited people to truth, along with rejecting him, they also started mocking him.

- ▶ It is always the habit of people to mock the one who invites them to the truth. It is even happening today. We can see many people mocking Islam. Even when people were mocking, Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) invited people to the truth. He spread the truth for almost 950 years.
- ▶ But the result was that the majority of the people rejected him, and only a very small number of them accepted Islam. Whenever Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) approached people to invite them to Islam, they always ran away from him.
- ▶ Consequently, he became tired and asked Allah to destroy the disbelievers.

- He prayed:
“My Lord! Do not leave a single disbeliever on earth.”
[Quran 71:26].
- Along with praying for the destruction of disbelievers, he prayed to Allah for forgiveness to his parents and all who follow him in truth.
- Because of their sin, Allah planned to shower punishment upon the disbelievers. Before that, Allah asked Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to build an ark. As he was a carpenter, he joined wood and made an ark; angels too assisted him in building it.
- Historians say that the ark of Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was built in a place called Kufah in Iraq. When he finished the work of the ark, Allah asked the believers to enter it and also to make an entry of pairs of all the animals and birds.



- > Finally, the punishment of Allah arrived. Dark and threatening clouds, darker than the darkest night, covered the entire sky.
- > The sky was filled with a terrifying boom of thunder and flashes of lightning. It began to rain.
- > The droplets grew larger and larger. The wind roared, and the waves poured over the planet's surface like mountains. The earth quickly became an ocean. Nuh's Ark floated successfully over it, parting the mountain-like waves.
- > The wife and son of Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) were also among the disbelievers, but even though Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) called out his son to his ark, "O my son, come aboard with us and be not with the disbelievers," But his son replied, "I will take refuge on a mountain, which will protect me from the water." [Quran 11:42,43]
- > They drowned in the flood. All the disbelievers were punished in that event. Eventually, Allah issued the order to stop the flood on "O earth! Swallow down your water, and, O, sky! Withhold your rain!" [Quran 11:44]. Thus the flood came to an end, the believers in the ark were protected, and the ark finally reached Mount Judi in Turkey.



Mount Judi

- Have you seen flood or tsunami video footage? But compared to modern floods, the flood during the time of Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was significantly larger.



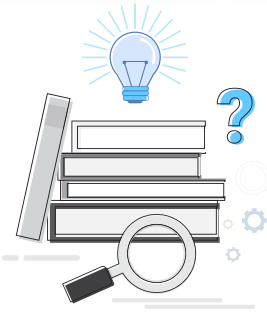
Lesson from the history of prophet Nuh (a)

- Dear students, Did you study the inspiring history of prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)? Along with studying the history of Nuh (a), we have certain lessons to learn from his life. Your teacher will explain all these lessons in detail.

- 1 One should convey the message of Allah to all. It is called دَعْوَة Dawaa, which means Invitation in Arabic.
- 2 When one calls people to obey Allah, they will mock him. But they should not be depressed and stop their dawa and talk.
- 3 One should have patience while speaking about Allah. Because not all people may believe the words about Allah.
- 4 Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) 's close relatives including his wife and son, disbelieve in his messages. This can also be experienced by one who spreads messages of Allah; their relatives may turn away from Allah, but the one should not get back from spreading the truth.
- 5 During difficult situations, prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) called Allah. One should also call only Allah when in difficult situations.
- 6 If one seeks help from Allah, Allah will definitely help them.

- 7 Don't make fun of others.
- 8 Prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) sought forgiveness from Allah. So one should also seek forgiveness only from Allah.
- 9 One should always listen to the commandments of Allah.
- 10 One should always ask guidance from Allah; one cannot survive without it. The son of Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) planned to escape from the flood by reaching the mountain alone, but he couldn't survive without Allah's help.
- 11 The number of people believing in Allah doesn't matter; the true faith is important.
- 12 Patience is key. Even if others don't believe in the truth, one should not stop speaking about Allah.

- > So friends, Now we have studied the history of Prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) in detail. Masha Allah. You also studied different life lessons from his history, right?
- > Please note that many images can be seen on the internet that were drawn by people on Nuh's ark. But we don't know the exact structure of his ark. We also should not create images of prophets.
- > Are you inspired by the story of Prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)? Do you wish to meet him in Jannah?
- > In sha Allah, we will meet him in Jannah along with our prophet Muhammad ﷺ if we live as per the commandments of Allah.
- > Let's pray to Allah to unite us in Jannah along with the prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).



EXPLANATORY QUESTION



- 1 Imagine that one of your neighbours told you about their desire to visit Ajmeer's graves. Hearing this, you asked her, "Why are you going there?" She replied that she needed to get closer to Allah, and visiting the grave there would help with that. What will you tell her?
- 2 Assume that you advised about the Islamic Dress code to your Muslim friends. Upon hearing your words, those friends started mocking you and rejected your words. Will you be sad in such a situation? What will your thoughts be at that time? Can you explain it by considering the story of the prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)?
- 3 Whenever we speak about Allah, there will be many problems that we may face. We should also be patient. Was Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) patient while he was preaching the messages from Allah? Can you explain it from the story?
- 4 The son of Prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was among the disbelievers. Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) invited him to the truth multiple times, but he always disobeyed. Will Allah punish Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) for the behaviour of his son and wife?

- 5 Imagine that an uncle in your family was affected by cancer. They, along with taking medicines, started to pray for great people who had died, like Muhiyudeen Shaikh and Badr Shuhadaa. Is this the way to get away from the problem? Is this allowed in Islam? To whom should we pray when we face difficulties? To whom did Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) pray when he met with difficulties?
- 6 Imagine that one of your friends showed you a picture of a man and said it is Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), and showed you a picture of a huge ark and claimed it is the ark built by prophet Nuh. Are the pictures shown by him true? Is it allowed to draw pictures of prophets in Islam?
- 7 You studied the history of the prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) in detail. Can you explain the lessons you learned from his life? You can refer to your textbook to get points.



- 1 Where was the place of the prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)?
- 2 Which surah in the Quran is named with prophet Nuh's name?

- 3 Who was the prophet Allah sent before the prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)?
- 4 What were the names of famous people who lived in the community of Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and of whom the people of Nuh's community made idols?
- 5 Why did the people start to pray to idols?
- 6 We should prostrate and worship only in front of
- 7 Who makes us deviate from Allah?
- 8 Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) invited people for almost years.
- 9 For what did Nuh'a pray to Allah along with asking to destroy the disbelievers?
- 10 Allah asked Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to build
- 11 According to historians, which was the place where Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) built the ark?

- 12 What did Allah ask Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to do after building the ark?
- 13 What was the punishment given by Allah to the disbelievers in the community of Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 14 What did the son of Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) reply when he was invited to enter the ark by his father?
- 15 What is Dawaa?
- 16 Should we be sad and stop doing dawa when people mock us?
- 17 We should only call and pray in our difficult situations.
- 18 Can one person survive without the guidance of Allah?
- 19 We should seek forgiveness only from
- 20 One should have while speaking about Allah.



4 PROPHET HUD (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)

- ▶ Masha Allah, you started learning the history of the prophets of Allah.
Do you remember why Allah sent prophets? What was the purpose of prophets? What was their main message to mankind?
- ▶ In this chapter, we are going to study the history of prophet Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). What should we say when we hear or say the name of any prophet of Allah?

- ▶ Yes, whenever we hear or say the name of any prophets, we should say (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) (Alaihi Salam), which means "Peace be upon him".
- ▶ And whenever we hear or say the name of our prophet Muhammad ﷺ, we should say صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ (Swallallahu Alaihi wasallam), which means "peace and blessings of Allah be upon him".

- ▶ So let's start learning the history of prophet Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).
- ▶ Allah(swt) sent Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to عاد (Aad) tribe.

➤ The people of Aad lived in a place called Ahqaf, which means the sandy plain or wind-curved sand hills, which is in modern-day Yemen and often assumed to be in southern Arabia.

➤ **Do you know who the exact people of the Aad tribe are?**

We already studied about the flood that happened to the community of Prophet Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) , right?

After that flood, there were many believers in the world, and they spread all over the world.

➤ The people of Aad were also the descendants of these believers from the community of Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).

➤ Allah gifted them with different blessings. They were blessed with wealth, intelligence, cleaverness, and physical strength to their bodies, which helped them to lift huge rocks and trees with their hands. They were very tall. They were also experts at creating houses by carving huge mountains.

➤ Since they got many blessings from Allah, it made them arrogant, and they thought that they were self-sufficient and didn't need His help.

➤ As a result, along with worshipping Allah, they started worshipping idols. Their wealth and power made their leaders unjust.

They were not ignorant of the existence of Allah, but they refused to worship him alone and worshipped other idols along with him. Many sins were too widely spread in society.

➤ In order to guide the people of the Aad tribe, Allah sent the prophet Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) There is a chapter in the Quran named after him, Surah Al-Hud (Chapter 11), where we can see his history.

- Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) invited them to Allah, but the society rejected him and boasted of their wealth and power. Their leaders told Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) that he was a liar. The majority of the people claimed that they were not ready to accept his words and worship Allah alone.
- But Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) reminded them about the uncountable blessings Allah has given them and also warned them about the punishment of Allah.

Blessings

- Prophet Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) tried his best to convince the people, but the majority of them rejected him. As years passed, Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) continued his arguments.

- ▶ They didn't believe in the warning of Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) , and Allah sent drought upon them; their crops dried. The people of Hud asked him about the drought, and he informed them that Allah is angry with them and that he will send rain if they repent for their sins. But they still mocked him.



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- ▶ The drought increased. Suddenly, one day, the sky filled with clouds, and the people became happy that they were granted rain. But the decision of Allah was different.
- ▶ The weather changed from burning drought and heat to stinging cold with a wind that shook everything. The wind increased day by day.



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➤ The people started to flee and were killed in that terrible cyclone. This continued for 7 days and 8 nights. After this, all of them were seen lying on the floor as dried palm trees. But the prophet Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his companions were saved by Allah, and Allah asked them to leave that place before the punishment arrived.

➤ The history of the people remains the same. Whenever a prophet teaches about Allah, only a few people believe. Similarly, only a few people in the society of Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) believed in him.

➤ In many places, houses are still buried in the sand. When the sand was dug up and the house was made visible, the historians found many coins, vessels, and household materials inside that house. This is considered to be of the Aad tribe.

➤ Your teacher will share you video lessons which explains history of aad tribe in detail. So that you can watch those places and see their some of belongings.

➤ Dear students, Did you understand the story of the prophet Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)? What was the

message? What was the response from the Aad tribe? How has Allah punished them?

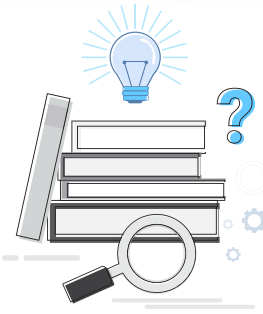
- ▶ We have to learn many lessons from the history of Prophet Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).

Let's analyse the moral lessons from his history.

- 1 When we get blessings from Allah, we should be thankful to him. We should not be arrogant. We should express our gratitude to Allah, or else we will be ungrateful.
- 2 We should not build big houses and boast about ourselves.
- 3 We should worship Allah alone. We should not worship others along with Allah.
- 4 Our wealth should not make us forget about Allah.
- 5 Blessings given by Allah like wealth, health, skills, etc. should be used to please Allah. We should not use it against Allah, which will be a reason for his anger.
- 6 Allah is able to punish and destroy even one who hides in a big mansion.

- 7 Whenever prophets preach about Allah, the majority of the people disobey them, and only a small number of people obey. Even now, many people disobey Allah's commandments, even among the Muslim community. So, we should also be among those true believers.
- 8 We can see that many people worship Allah along with many other Gods. This prevailed even from the beginning itself. But that kind of community was always destroyed by Allah. So, we should always be among the believers who worship Allah alone.
- 9 We should learn lessons from history. Even when the people of Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) knew the history of Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), they didn't follow the truth and were finally destroyed.
- 10 Allah has the capability to destroy anyone from anywhere, no matter how strong they are.

➡ May Allah bless you as you seek more knowledge.



EXPLANATORY QUESTION



- 1 After the great flood, all the disbelievers were destroyed, and only believers existed on earth. Even though Allah sent many prophets after Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), what is the reasoning behind it?
- 2 Allah gave a lot of blessings to the people of the Aad tribe. What were the important blessings Allah gave them?
- 3 When Allah blessed the people of Aad with a lot of wealth, they forgot Allah. Similarly, when Allah blessed the current Muslims with wealth, they too started forgetting Allah. Can you find out some of the activities done by today's Muslim society that are against Islamic culture in different life situations? You have to discuss this with your teachers and also with your parents to get an idea of the prevailing activities done by Muslims today that are against Islamic teachings.
- 4 When the Aad community rejected the commandments of Allah, they received severe punishments from Allah. Can you list out the punishment Allah has given them?

- 5 Imagine that your uncle became wealthy when he did business in the Dubai. He had only two kids. But he built big mansions with ten rooms, just for luxury. Most of the rooms were unoccupied. You asked him the reason for building such a big palace. So he replied, "I wish to have the biggest home in this state and decided to build this." How will you advise him by quoting the story of the Aad tribe?
- 6 What are the lessons you learned from the history of the Aad tribe? List it out in your notebook. Also explain to your teacher.



- 1 What should we say when we hear or say the names of any prophets other than Muhammad ﷺ, and what is their meaning?
- 2 What should we say when we hear or say the name of the prophet Muhammad ﷺ?
- 3 What is meant by Ahqaf?

- 4 When the Aad community got many blessings from Allah, they became
- 5 Which is the chapter of the Quran with the name of the prophet sent to the Aad tribe? Which is its Chapter number?
- 6 What was the reaction from the community when Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) preached about the oneness of Allah?
- 7 The cyclone that hit the Aad tribe continued for days and nights.
- 8 When we get blessings from Allah, we should be to him.
- 9 Can we build a big palace to boast about ourselves?
- 10 Is Allah capable of destroying disbelievers when they stay inside highly protected buildings?



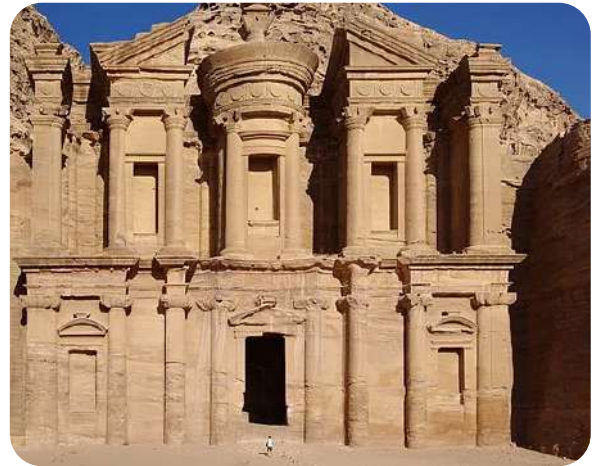
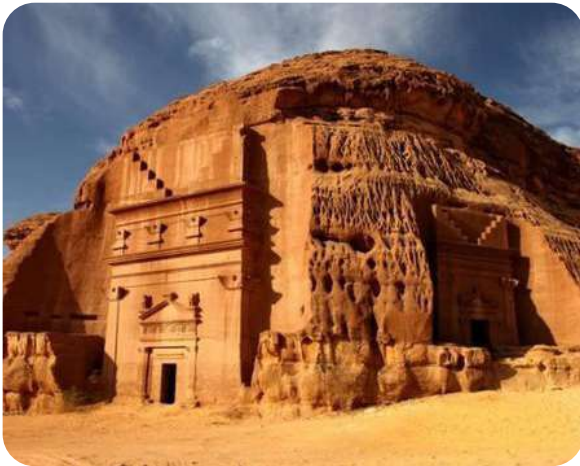
5 PROPHET SWALIH (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)

- ▶ Alhamdulillah, we started learning the histories of different prophets. In the last chapter, we studied the history of Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). Do you remember his story?
- ▶ Can you explain to me the story of Prophet Hud? What was the biggest lesson learned from the history of Prophet Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)?
- ▶ What was the message preached by all the prophets? Masha Allah, you know all that history. Barakallah. Now, we are going to study the history of prophet Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).

- ▶ After Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), Allah sent prophet Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), and then Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). Prophet Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was sent by Allah to the tribe of Thamudh تَمُود, who lived in Al-Hijr, located in Saudi Arabia.
- ▶ Before the tribe of Thamudh, the Aad tribe inhabited southern Arabia. Allah destroyed the people of Aad due to their persistence in disbelief and idol worship.

➤ After the destruction of the Aad tribe, there came the tribe of Thamudh. In Sha Allah, we are now going to study the history of the Thamudh tribe.

➤ Allah blessed the people of Thamudh with different blessings, like agriculture and the architectural skills to build houses on top of the rocks by carving. They boasted about themselves by building big houses. Following are some of the houses built by Thamudh tribes.



- Allah blessed them with different food items, and they made good money through agriculture.
- Like other nations, when they got innumerable blessings, they started turning away from Allah and started worshipping different idols along with Him. They started to indulge in many other sins, such as robbery, adultery, etc.

- ▶ When they forgot Allah and started to worship idols, Allah selected a man among them as a prophet to guide the people of the Thamudh tribe.
- ▶ Yes, Allah selected Swalih, a man among them, as a prophet to guide them. Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was a wealthy and intelligent man. He was from a rich family. He was very pious.
- ▶ Prophet Swalih told people that he is a prophet from Allah and they should not worship idols but only Allah. He asked people to stop worshipping idols and seek forgiveness from Allah for their sins.

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- ▶ When Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) invited people to worship Allah alone, the tribe leaders rejected him, saying, "You are one of us; how can we believe in you? And if we should believe in your prophecy, you need to show signs or miracles."

Miracle of Allah

- ▶ Prophet Swalih asked them, "What miracle do you need?"
The tribe's people discussed it among themselves and asked Swalih to bring a camel from the rocks.

- But they made some conditions that the camel should be female and pregnant. Prophet Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) said that I will ask Allah to show you that miracle, but once you see the miracle, you should believe in Allah. They agreed.
- He prayed to Allah for that kind of camel, and Allah accepted his prayer, and a tall, pregnant camel came out, splitting the rocks. After seeing this camel, many people believed in the prophet Swalih.
- Many other people rejected it and told him it was mere magic. The miracle camel gave birth to a lovely he-camel after three days. Prophet Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) told the Thamudh tribe not to do any harm to the camel because this is the camel of Allah.
- The mother camel and the baby camel were a miracle of Allah. They started roaming within the city. On seeing this camel, many people believed in the truth because it is a living miracle by Allah.
- The camel drank a lot of water, so Allah asked that on one day the camel only drink from the well, and on alternate days, the other camels and the Thamudh tribe can take water.



- ▶ People asked prophet Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) for the milk of the camel, and he allowed them to drink the milk. That milk was really tasty and was sufficient for the Thamudh tribe.
- ▶ After the arrival of the camel, the Thamudh tribe split into two groups: believers and non-believers. Many people focused on the camel and turned away from their idols.
- ▶ This and the rule to take water made the leaders of the tribe get angry, and they finally decided to kill it. They offered different gifts to whoever killed the camel.
- ▶ Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) continued to warn them that Allah will punish them if they harm the camel. Finally, nine evil men from the tribe decided to kill the camel. They shot an arrow through its leg, cut the camel with a sword, and killed it.

They challenged Allah

- After killing the camel, they were happy, and they celebrated it and appreciated the men who killed the camel. They asked Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) , "Where is the punishment warned by him when they kill the camel?" After seeing the death, Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was so sad. He told the Thamud tribe, "Enjoy your life for three more days, and your punishment will arrive."
- On hearing the words of Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) , the disbelievers even tried to kill him. Thamudh tribe feels very secure because they live in rock houses.



- Allah started to send them the promised punishment. On the first day of their punishment, the colour of their faces changed to yellow, so they were afraid. On the second day, the faces of the entire community turned red.

Then on the third day, their faces became black.

- ▶ This made them very afraid, and they started crying. On that day, the nine men who killed the camel decided to kill Swalih and his family. But Allah saved them by asking him and his companions to move to another place.
- ▶ The time for their punishment arrived, and a huge sound, a thunderbolt, and an earthquake seized them. They fell on the ground and died. The place was made, as no one lived there before.

▶ Thus, the entire disbelievers of Thamudh tribe was destroyed. After the punishment, Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) visited the place and said: "O my people, I had certainly conveyed to you the message of my Lord and advised you, but you do not like advisors." [Quran 7:73].

▶ Even now, we can visit this place called Madain Swalih. It is a four-hour journey from Madina. When we visit that place, we should not consider it a tour; we should not even laugh or smile. We should remember Allah from there. When you visit Madina, you should try to visit Madain Swalih.



- ▶ When we visit this place, we can see their old rock house, their cooking tools, and other items in the museum. Don't forget to watch videos suggested by your teacher to watch.
- ▶ Friends, now that you have studied the history of the Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Thamud tribes.

Let's learn important lessons learned from their history.

- 1 We should always learn lessons from history. The people of the Thamud tribe knew the history of the communities of Nuh (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Hud (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). They also know how Allah punished them. Even then, they didn't learn lessons from that history. Similarly, we should not turn away from the lessons of history, but we should understand the lessons and live by obeying Allah.

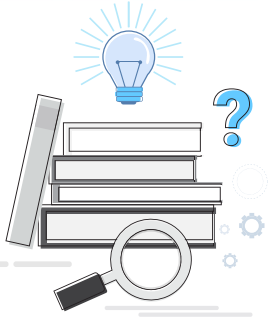
- 2 When we get different blessings from Allah, we should not become arrogant. But rather, we should show our gratitude to Allah.
- 3 When someone corrects us, we should not hate him. But rather, we should be ready to correct it for our sake. When our teachers or parents advise us about Islamic manners, we should not hate them. But you should respect them and be ready to change. But here, the people of Thamud didn't obey the commandment of Allah; they didn't like to be corrected.
- 4 Allah is always ready to give forgiveness. But we should seek forgiveness. Allah was ready to accept their forgiveness. But they didn't seek forgiveness. Instead, they persisted in committing sin. We should always seek forgiveness from Allah, knowing that he is the most merciful.
- 5 Allah can punish you even if you hide in a highly secured rock house or other places. Here, the people of Thamud felt they were highly secured. But it didn't help them escape the punishment.
- 6 Your wealth cannot help you escape the punishment of Allah. Here, the Thamud tribe was

highly wealthy. But this didn't save them from Allah's punishment.

- 7 We should always obey Allah and not be arrogant. Here, the people of Thamud killed the miracle of Allah, and they were arrogant, which caused their destruction.
- 8 Whenever we face a calamity or hear about any calamity in our country or in this world, we should remember Allah, turn towards him, seek forgiveness and express gratitude to him.

▶ Masha Allah, now you have studied about prophet Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his companions. You should also learn lessons from his history.

In Sha Allah, whenever you study the history of prophets, you become closer to Allah and learn lessons from history. May Allah bless you as you seek more knowledge.



EXPLANATORY QUESTION



- 1 We studied the history of different prophets. All prophets taught about a common message. What was the unique message taught by all of them?
- 2 Allah gave different kinds of blessings to different people. What were the blessings given by Allah to the community of Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 3 Allah gave different miracles to the prophets. What was the miracle given to prophet Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) for convincing the people of Thamud? Can you explain the features of the animal that Allah gave to Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 4 Allah gave a miraculous camel to the people of Thamud. Can you explain its life, features, and end in brief?
- 5 When devil people killed the camel of Allah, they faced punishment from Allah. What was the punishment given by Allah to the Thamud tribe? Can you explain it?
- 6 Imagine that you went on a trip named "Through the Historical Lands of Islam" and reached the city where

lived. There were many people laughing loudly, speaking, and taking photographs. What advice will you give them?

- 7 What lessons have we learned from the life of Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)? List it out in your notebook and explain it to your mentor.
- 8 Prepare a speech on the topic “Lessons for us from Thamud and Swalih” and present it before the class.



- 1 How did the people of the Thamud tribe build their houses?
- 2 What did the Thamud community do when they got wealth as a blessing from Allah?
- 3 What was the specialty of the prophet Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) comparing to other people in his tribe?

- 4 What was the reply from the leaders of the tribe when Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) preached about the truth?
- 5 What were the conditions set by the Thamud people for the camel?
- 6 What is the rule made by Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) for taking water from the well?
- 7 What was the warning given by Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) when the devil killed the camel?
- 8 To what colour did the faces of disbelievers change on the first day?
- 9 What was the colour of the faces of the disbelievers on days two and three of punishment?
- 10 What is the name of the place where the Thamud tribe once lived?
- 11 Should we accept the words of the one who corrected us?
- 12 Will our health, strength, or wealth make us escape from the punishment of Allah?

- 13 We should follow all the commandments of
- 14 What should we do if we face a calamity or hear about one in our neighbourhood?
- 15 What is the reason for the people of Thamud to kill the miraculous camel?
- 16 Who killed the camel of Allah?
- 17 What did Swalih (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) say when he visited the place that Allah destroyed?



6 PROPHET IBRAHIM (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) PART 1

- Dear students, Today we are going to study the history of a great prophet, Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). He is the most important prophet in Islam after our beloved prophet Muhammad ﷺ.

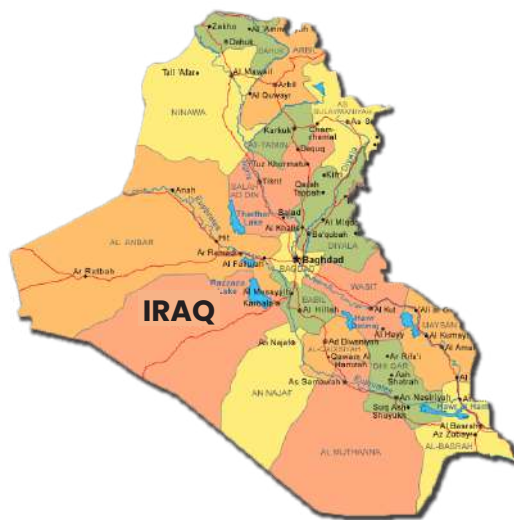


- That is why we say his name in all the prayers along with the name of Muhammad ﷺ. We also remember him throughout the process of the fifth pillar of Islam, the Hajj.
- There is a chapter in the Quran on his name, Chapter 14, Surah Al-Ibrahim. Prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) is also known as Khaleelullah (خَلِيلُ اللَّهِ), which means the friend of Allah.
- It is Allah who calls Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) his friend in the Quran.
Masha Allah! What an amazing name given by our creator, right?

Do you know why Allah gave him such a high position? Let's study his history and explore more about this ever-prominent personality.

Early life of prophet Ibrahim (a)

Prophet Ibrahim was born in Iraq. He was brave, intelligent, and had a very good personality, even from his childhood itself. But his father, Aasar, was an idol worshiper. Besides worshipping it, his father used to create idols using wood and sell them to others, earning lots of money.



Like his father, many other members of his community were also idol worshipers. When we studied the history of previous prophets, we found how human beings started to deviate from Allah and started worshipping idols. Similarly, this community, too, was engaged in idol worship and many other sins. Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) questioned his father about the foolishness of worshipping idols.

➤ He asked:

“O dear father! Why do you worship what can neither hear nor see, nor benefit you at all?”

➤ O my father, indeed there has come to me of knowledge that which has not come to you, so follow me; I will guide you to an even path.
O my father, do not worship [i.e., obey] Satan. Indeed Satan has ever been, to the Most Merciful, disobedient.
[Quran 19:42-44]

➤ And [mention, O Muhammad], when Abraham said to his father Āzar, “Do you take idols as deities? Indeed, I see you and your people to be in manifest error.” [Quran 6:75]

➤ When Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) questioned his father, he replied that he was doing the same as he had seen from his forefathers.

➤ But Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) asked his father again to stop worshipping idols and only worship Allah. His father became angry with him.

➤ People used to pray to idols for good food and other substances. But Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) told them

that Allah is the provider of our food and other blessings.

- ▶ When Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) shared the truth with his father, he said, "Have you no desire for my Gods, O Ibrahim? If you do not desist, I will surely stone you, so avoid me for a prolonged time."
[Quran 19:46]
- ▶ The debate between Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his father continued. Subhanallah!! Can you imagine a young boy debating with his own dad about Allah?

DEBATE

Now let's look into the story of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), mentioned in the Quran.

- ▶ One day, all the people from the community of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) went to a big festival, which was held outside their town.
- ▶ But Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) refused to go there. When all of them left, the prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) went to their temple where their idols were placed and broke the idols one by one. He hung the axe he used to break it on the shoulder of the biggest idol.

- When the people returned, they were very angry at seeing the scene of their broken idols and asked, "Who broke it?"
- "Who has done this to our gods? Indeed, he is of the wrongdoers." [Quran 21:59]
- Some people guessed that it was Ibrahim who had done that.
They said, "We heard a young man mention them who is called Abraham." [Quran 21:60]
- So the leaders of the community asked to bring him.
"Bring him before the eyes of the people, so that they may witness 'his trial'." [Quran 21:61]
- Once Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was brought, they started questioning him.
They asked: "Was it you who did this to our Gods, O Abraham?" [Quran 21:62]
- Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) pointed to the biggest idol and asked them to ask it. He said, "Rather, this - the largest of them - did it, so ask them, if they should [be able to] speak." [Quran 21:63]

- ▶ They understood the idols could not speak or do anything. But soon they reverted to their previous thoughts and again blamed Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) , saying that:
"You have already known that these do not speak!"
[Quran 21:65]
- ▶ Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) continued to preach about their nonsense in worshipping the idol. Upon hearing his arguments, the leaders of the community and his father got angry at him and decided to burn him alive. But he never felt any fear.

▶ **Dear students, Is it allowed for us to destroy the idols of other religions?**

The answer is NO. It is prohibited in Islam to destroy or even mock their idols. Allah says in the Quran:
"And insult not those whom they (disbelievers) worship besides Allah." [Quran 6:108]

- ▶ Besides, in chapter 2, verse 256, Allah says that there is no compulsion in the religion. If things are like this, what was the reason of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to destroy those idols?
- ▶ It was a specified tactic Allah gave to Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) alone in that olden age to teach -

his community about their mistake of idol worshipping. They were majorly disbelieving; even his father was an idol maker and worshipper.

So, we should never mock or destroy other people's beliefs, and there is no compulsion in Islam.

They decided to burn him alive

➤ They arranged a huge, strong fire to burn him. For this, they collected firewood for many days and dug a huge pit for firing it up. Due to the extreme heat of the fire, no one could go near it. Many people came there to see the execution.

➤ They chained Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and took him to the fire.

The words he said when he was being thrown into the fire were,

حَسْبُنَا اللَّهُ وَنِعْمَ الْوَكِيلُ

("Allah is sufficient for us and the best Disposer of our affairs.") [Quran 3:173]

➤ Even in front of fire, the prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was calm. Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) had a strong trust in Allah. He believed in Allah, and he knew that Allah would protect him. Allah made the fire cold for him. "O fire, be coolness and safety upon Ibrahim." [Quran 21:69]

الله

- Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) had an amazing time inside the fire. He glorified Allah when he came out of the fire. This was one of the most important tests Allah gave to Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). He won in that tests.
- During his difficult times, he had strong trust in Allah and never lost hope. Similarly, we too should remember and trust Allah when we are in difficulties.

HOPE

- The king of Babylon, Namrood, on hearing the news of Ibrahim's rescue from the fire, felt his throne was in danger as many people started believing in Ibrahim. Namrood was extremely arrogant due to his wealth and power. He himself claimed to be a living God.
- Namrood invited Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to his kingdom for -

debate so that he could prove to society that Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) is a liar and he is the actual God. Prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) accepted the invitation and went to the kingdom.

DEBATE

The Debate Started

- ▶ The king started his debate by asking who his God was. Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) said, "My Lord is the one who gives life and causes death." [Quran 2:258]
- ▶ After listening to the answer of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) , Namrood ordered to bring two prisoners. He killed one of them and left the other one free to live.
- ▶ Then he said, "I give life and cause death." [Quran 2:258]
Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) continued, "Indeed, Allah brings up the sun from the east, so bring it up from the west." [Quran 2:258].



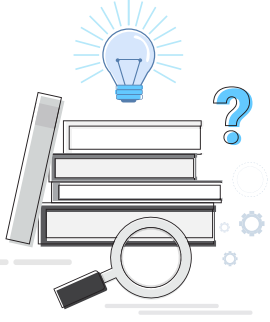
- ▶ At this moment, the king kept silent and had no arguments. After winning the argument, Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) continued his preaching to worship the one and only God, Allah, and to turn away from idols. But, as usual, the majority of the people rejected him and his father too. Lut, the nephew of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), believed in the truth.
- ▶ Dear students, the history of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) is beautifully explained in the Quran. We discussed his childhood and youth in this chapter.
- ▶ May Allah bless us to have a strong faith like Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).

Now let's discuss the important lessons that we learn from the story of Prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)

- 1 Allah will test us throughout our lives. We already studied that this life is a test from Allah. So we have to expect different tests from Allah throughout our lives.
- 2 Allah tests those he loves. The more tests you undergo, you will be closer to Allah. Allah had tested Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) many times and called him Khaleelullah, the friend of Allah.

Allah may test us many times, but we shouldn't lose our faith in him.

- 3 We should correct others, even if they are our close blood relatives. Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) even corrected his father when he worshipped idols.
- 4 We should have strong faith in Allah during difficult times. People decided to burn Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) alive, but he had strong faith in Allah.
- 5 Whenever Allah helps us, we should thank Him. When Allah saved Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) from fire, he thanked Allah.
- 6 When we love Allah and obey his commandments, Allah will raise our status in both worlds. As Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) followed all the commandments of Allah, Allah gave him the highest status in both worlds.
- 7 We should stand for the truth even if our parents do wrong.
- 8 We should always debate with others to prove the truth. Throughout the life of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) , we can see the debates that he had to prove the truth.



EXPLANATORY QUESTION



- 1 The Prophet Ibrahim's father was an idol worshipper. He often debated with the prophet Ibrahim about that. Can you explain the conversation that happened between Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his father?
- 2 When all the people went for a festival outside the town, the prophet Ibrahim did something to teach the people the mistake they were making. Can you explain that incident?
- 3 What was the unique message taught by all the prophets, including Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 4 What was the reason for the people to throw Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) into the fire? How did Allah save Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)?
- 5 When Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was thrown into the fire he had only one word to say, 'حَسْبُنَا اللَّهُ وَنِعْمَ الْوَكِيلُ'. Can you explain this?
- 6 Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) underwent many trials, including being thrown into the fire by his own people. But he always had strong trust in Allah. Similarly, if you witness any problems in your life, how will you respond

to that by drawing inspiration from the story of prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?

- 7 The arrogant king Namrud had an argument with the prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). Can you explain the arguments for both sides?
- 8 We already studied why Allah created us. Find out verse no. 2 of Chapter 67 from the Qur'an and write it down with its meaning. You have to memorise this verse and its meaning too.
- 9 Our close relative started to commit some sins and disobey the commandments of Allah in many aspects of life. Will you advise him as Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) advised his father? How will you advise him?
- 10 We found different debates in the life of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), including with his father, the community leaders, and the arrogant king Namrood. Imagine you got an opportunity to debate with an atheist: How will you prove the existence of Almighty Allah? You can collect points from the internet too.
- 11 Prepare a speech on the topic "Lessons from the life of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to mankind." You should deliver that speech to your mentor.



- 1 Which is the chapter of the Quran on the name of Prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 2 What did Allah call the prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), and what is its meaning?
- 3 Where was Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) born?
- 4 What was the name of the father of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 5 What was the job done by the prophet Ibrahim's father?
- 6 When did the prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) destroy the idols of their community?
- 7 Where did Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) keep the axe after destroying the idols?

- 8 Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) pointed to and asked the disbelievers to ask for the culprit who destroyed their idols.
- 9 Is it forbidden in Islam to mock or destroy others' beliefs?
- 10 What did Allah make of fire when Ibrahim was thrown into it?
- 11 What did Namrood do with the two prisoners?
- 12 What is the name of the nephew of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) who was a believer?
- 13 Allah tests those he
- 14 To whom should we have strong faith when we face difficulties?
- 15 When will Allah raise our status in both worlds?



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PROPHET IBRAHIM (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) & ISMAIL (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)

- ▶ Alhamdulillah, We learned the history of the great prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and lessons from his life in the previous chapter.
- ▶ Do you like Prophet Ibrahim? Why do you like him? What did Allah call him? What were the lessons we learned from his life?



- ▶ We learned about the childhood and youth of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) through the previous chapter.
- ▶ In Sha Allah, we will learn about his middle age and old age through this chapter. We will also study about his beloved son, Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).

- ▶ The histories of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) are very important in Islam, because even the fifth pillar of Islam, the Hajj, and one of the two major celebrations in Islam, Eid al-Adha, are related to their lives. Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) is known as Abraham, and Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) is known as Ishmael in the Bible.
- ▶ His history is being discussed very deeply in the Bible. But we can see many contradictions when we compare it to the true message of the Quran.



- ▶ In the last chapter, we learned that the majority of the people in his community rejected him, and it was very difficult for him to stay in his hometown thereafter. So he, along with his nephew Lut (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his wife Sarah, moved to Egypt and Palestine.

- ▶ On the way in the migration, the wife of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), Sarah, got a servant named Hajar.
- ▶ Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Sarah had no children, and they were getting older. They always prayed to Allah for a baby. Finally, Sarah asked Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to marry Hajar.
- ▶ They continued to pray to Allah for a baby. Thus Allah blessed Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) with a baby named Ismail in his very old age through Hajar.
- ▶ One day Allah ordered Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to leave his beloved son and wife Hajar in a desert. It was an order from Allah. So he travelled with his wife and son to the desert and left them there. The place was dry. They had no water, fruits, or any crops there.



Ibrahim Obeyed Allah's Commandments

- ▶ Hajar asked Ibrahim, "Where are you going, leaving us in this valley where there is no one or anything else around?" Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) didn't reply to her.
- ▶ She asked again and again. She then asked him, "Did Allah command you to do so?" He said, "Yes." She said, "Then He will not leave us" (Sahih Al-Bukhari).
- ▶ Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) prayed to Allah for their protection, "My Lord! Make this city secure, and keep me and my sons away from worshipping the idols. " [Quran 14:35]

- ▶ They only had food for two days. When the water with them finished, the baby started crying due to thirst. Hajar ran between Swafa and Marwa hills in search of water. She ran seven times and became tired.



(Present photo of Safa-Marwa)

- She prayed to Allah for water. Allah answered her prayer and sent an angel to the place. The angel dug the earth with the heels or wings. Water flowed out of the earth. Hajar made a basin for storing water around it out of mud and sand.
- When it continued to flow from the earth, Hajar said, "Zom Zom," which means, "stop, stop." Later, the well was known as Zam Zam. They had plenty of water to live. The water in that well even flows now as a miracle from Allah.



- Millions of people use the water from the well throughout the Hajj process.

- ▶ Many birds came there to drink water from it. Travellers passing through the desert saw the birds and had hope of getting water.
- ▶ When they came near the water, they found a mother and baby. They used water with the permission of Hajar. They started agriculture using water. As time passed, the desert became a crowded city named Makkah.

- ▶ All of these changes were due to the water that Allah blessed Hajar and Ismail with. The child Ismail grew up there, learning Arabic from the people around him. He was an intelligent, pious child like his father.
- ▶ After a few years, Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) came to Makkah to reunite with family. Shortly after his arrival, he witnessed a dream where Allah told him to sacrifice his beloved son. That was an extreme test from Allah to Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).
- ▶ Subhanallah, what will be the condition of a father when Allah asks him to sacrifice his beloved child, who was given to him in his old age, after several years of waiting?

- But Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) didn't think twice. He decided to obey the commandment of Allah. Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) said this to his son and the son replied:

قَالَ يَا أَبَتِ افْعَلْ مَا تُؤْمَرُ سَتَجِدُنِي إِن شَاءَ اللَّهُ مِنَ الصَّابِرِينَ

(He replied, "O my dear father! Do as you are commanded. Allah willing, you will find me steadfast.") [Quran 37:102]

- Both of them walked to the top of a mountain. On their way, Shaithan tried to deviate them three times.
- Ibrahim threw stones at those places. Hajjis throw stones on Jamrath in remembrance of this act of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).



- Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his son reached the place of sacrifice and laid Ismail face down. Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was almost about to start to sacrifice his son.

- Suddenly Allah called, "O Ibrahim," asked him to stop the act, and ordered him to sacrifice a sheep instead. This was a test given by Allah to Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), which he passed by obeying Allah's commandments.
- We remember this history of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his son Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) in all Eid al-Adha. The ritual of sacrificing animals for Eid al-Adha and during the process of Hajj is based on this history.



Ibrahim won in all tests

- So friends, Allah tested Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) many times. He had to forsake his parents, people in his community tried to burn him alive, Allah didn't give him a child until old age, Allah asked him to leave his wife and child alone in the desert, Allah asked him to sacrifice his beloved son, and so on.
- But he always won the tests. He continued his dawa by inviting people to the religion of Islam.

- Later, Allah asked them to build a place of worship, the Kaaba, to worship Allah alone. They collected bricks together and started to build Kaaba.
- While building it, they decided to keep a rock at the corner. Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) went to search for a rock, but he couldn't find one. When he returned, he saw a beautiful white rock. Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) said that it was a rock from Jannah. It is named "Hajarul Aswad." It was white in colour, but it turned black due to the sins of people.
- After completing the historical task, both of them prayed to Allah for accepting their deed.

وَإِذْ يَرْفَعُ إِبْرَاهِيمُ الْقَوَاعِدَ مِنَ الْبَيْتِ وَإِسْمَاعِيلُ رَبَّنَا تَقَبَّلْ مِنَّا
إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ

And [mention] when Abraham was raising the foundations of the House and [with him] Ishmael, [saying], "Our Lord, accept [this] from us. Indeed, You are the Hearing, the Knowing. (Quran 2:127)

- So friends, we remember this great prophet daily in the swalath of our Salah. Do you remember the swalath we recite in our salah? Do you know its meaning?

▶ Shall we recite the swalath?

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا صَلَّيْتَ عَلَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ
وَعَلَى آلِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ إِنَّكَ حَمِيدٌ مَجِيدٌ اللَّهُمَّ بَارِكْ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ
مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا بَارَكْتَ عَلَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَعَلَى آلِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ إِنَّكَ حَمِيدٌ مَجِيدٌ

(O Allah, send prayers upon Muhammad and upon the family of Muhammad just as You have sent prayers upon Ibrahim and upon the family of Ibrahim, verily You are the Praiseworthy, the Glorious. O Allah, bless Muhammad and the family of Muhammad just as You have blessed Ibrahim and the family of Ibrahim, verily You are the Praiseworthy, the Glorious.)

▶ Masha Allah, we discussed some of the major incidents in the lives of Prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his son Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) had one more son through his wife Sarah, named Ishaq. Allah chose both of his sons as prophets.

▶ May Allah unite us in Jannah with these three prophets.

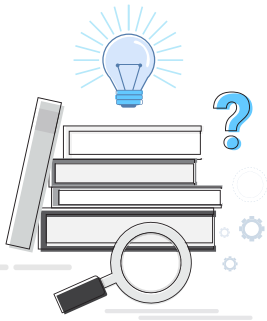
What are the great lessons from the history of prophets Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?

- 1** We should obey the commandments of Allah. Whether we like it or not, if Allah has commanded, we must obey. That was the biggest lesson we learned from the history of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) .
- 2** We should help our parents in good ways and not support them in bad ways. In this history, we can see that Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) helped his father build the Kaaba, which is a good thing. But Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) didn't support his father in creating the idols.
- 3** Never lose hope; Allah will give. Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) had no children till his old age. But Allah gifted him with two great sons at his old age. He didn't lose hope.
- 4** We should pray to Allah alone during these difficult times. When Hajar was alone, she prayed to Allah for water, and Allah blessed her with water that flows continuously even today.
- 5** Along with praying to Allah, we should work our hardest. Hajar prayed to Allah for water, and along with that, she searched for it running

between the hills Swafa and Marwa. She tried her best. Finally, Allah provided water.

- 6 Allah tests those whom he loves the most. Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was tested by Allah multiple times. He always won his tests, and thus Allah called him Allah's friend, Khaleelullah, and honoured him. Still, every Muslim remembers him daily.
- 7 We can see many people in our families without children. Such people should learn lessons from the life of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and pray to Allah without losing hope.
- 8 From the story, we can understand that Allah can do whatever he wishes. Usually, it is not possible to have a baby at an older age. But here Allah blesses Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Sarah in their old age.
- 9 We can understand from the history of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) that they prayed to Allah for accepting the deed of building the holy Kaaba. Similarly, we should also pray to Allah for the acceptance of our good deeds.

➡ Masha Allah, now we have learned many great life lessons through the lives of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his son Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). May Allah help you to win in both worlds. Barakallah.



EXPLANATORY QUESTION



- 1 We know that the prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) is known as the “Friend of Allah.” The reason for bestowing this great honour is that he has won several tests given by Allah. Do you know what the different tests were that this great prophet underwent?
- 2 What was the reply of Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) when Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) informed him about Allah’s order to sacrifice him?
- 3 Can you name the family members of the prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)? (Include the names of his wives and children.)
- 4 In the history of prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), we can see that prophet Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) helped him build the Kaaba. So we must help our parents and elders in all good activities. Have you ever been a part of good activities done by your parents or elders? Can you mention the good things you have done?

- 5 What are the good things that you plan to do with your parents and elders in the future?
- 6 One of your older relatives had no children; due to this, they were very depressed and sad. How will you console them by quoting the history of Prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 7 From the history of the prophets Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Hajar, we can find that they prayed to Allah during different situations. In which situations have you prayed to Allah? What are the things that you pray to Allah after the obligatory salah often?
- 8 Zam Zam is one of the greatest miracles of Allah, which has flown continuously until now, from the childhood of Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) . Millions of people are using that water. Can you narrate the history of the formation of this well?
- 9 What are the lessons you learned from the history of the prophets Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ? Can you explain each lesson to your mentor?



- 1 In which Eid do we sacrifice animals in remembrance of prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 2 What is the name of the prophets Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) according to the Bible?
- 3 Who was the first wife of Prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 4 What was the name of the servant that the wife of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) got on the way to Egypt?
- 5 What is the name of the son of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) in Hajar?
- 6 What was the reply of Hajar when Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) told her it was Allah's order to leave them in the desert?
- 7 Which were the hills through which Hajar ran in search of water?

- 8 What is the name of the well through which Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Hajar got water?
- 9 What is the meaning of "Zam Zam"?
- 10 How did Makkah become a crowded town?
- 11 What is the reason for Hajjis to throw stones in Jamrath?
- 12 Allah asked and to build Kaaba.
- 13 From where did Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) get the stone to keep at the corner of the Kaaba? What is the name and colour of that stone?
- 14 What is the name of the second son of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 15 Can we set ourselves free from the trials of Allah?
- 16 Don't lose hope;will give.
- 17 To whom did Hajar ask for help when she was alone in the desert?

- 18 Is it enough to only pray to Allah without working for it?
- 19 What is the reason for Hajarul Aswad to turn black?
- 20 What should we recite for the acceptance of our good deeds?



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PROPHET MUSA (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)

- Dear students, Now we are going to study the history of another great prophet mentioned in the Quran.
- Do you know which prophet's name is mentioned most in the Quran?
Is that Prophet Muhammad (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)? No..
Is that prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), the friend of Allah?
No.....
- It is the prophet Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) who is mentioned most in the Quran. Yes, his name is mentioned in the Quran 124 times. Important life incidents of his, like his birth, prophethood, preachings, etc., are mentioned very thoroughly in the Quran.



- His story is also discussed in the Bible, where his name is given as Moses. Christians, Jews, and Muslims believe him as a prophet. We can find the history of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) in Surah Al-Qasas and in many other Surahs.

➤ Early life of prophet Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)

Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was born into a family named Bani Israel. His people, the people of Bani Israel, were under great oppression due to the cruelty of their king Fir'aun (فِرْعَوْن).

➤ Fir'aun is called Pharaoh in the Bible. Fir'aun himself claims to be the Almighty God. He often says he is the god of the whole world. He also killed baby boys born in Bani Israel.

➤ Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was born in this situation. As he is a baby boy, Fir'aun would kill him. So Allah asked the mother of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to make a basket to carry him and float in the river Nile.



➤ "Nurse him, but when you fear for him, put him then into the river, and do not fear or grieve. We will certainly return him to you, and make him one of the messengers." [Quran 28:7]

- She obeyed the commandment of Allah without any fear. Allah promised her the protection of Musa and asked her not to be sad, and he would return her son.
- The basket with Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) floated in the river under the protection of Allah, and the basket reached near the palace of Fir'aun. They saw the baby, and the wife of Fir'aun liked the baby. Fir'aun and his wife had no children, so they decided to adopt the baby Musa.
- When they tried to breastfeed the baby, the baby rejected all the feeds. The sister of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) went to the palace and spoke about a lady who breastfeeds, and Fir'aun ordered the girl to bring the lady to the palace. Thus, when she fed the baby Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), he accepted the feed. It was the actual mother of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) who breastfed him.
- The Fir'aun asked the lady the reason for the baby to accept her milk alone. So the mother of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) replied to him that her milk is very sweet and tasty and no child refuses it.
- The mother of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was extremely happy to get her son back, and she continued to feed the baby.

HAPPY

Thus Allah made his words true by returning the baby to his mother. His mother too got rewards for feeding him.

- ▶ Allah made Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) grow in the palace itself. He also blessed him with wisdom and intelligence.
- ▶ Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) believed in Allah alone while he was living in the palace of Fir'aun, who claimed himself as the God of the world. He never believed Fir'aun to be a God.



- ▶ It gives us a lesson that we shouldn't have to obey the one who doesn't obey Allah, even if the one is caring for us.

A life changing incident

- ▶ Once, when Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) went to the town from the palace, he saw two people fighting. Among them, one was a believer in Fir'aun, and the other was a person from Bani Israel. During the dispute, Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) blew the believer of Fir'aun

once, and due to this, the person died. It was a strong blow that was unintentional.

- No one saw the dead person, and Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) returned to the palace. On the next day, he went to the same place in the town, and he saw the same kind of fight.
- This time, one was the one whom Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) saved the previous day, and the other was another believer in Fir'aun. Again, the man from Bani Israel asked for help from Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).
- The opponent raised his voice and said, "O Moses, do you intend to kill me as you killed someone yesterday?" "You only want to be a tyrant in the land and do not want to be of the amenders."
[Quran 28:19]
- All around them heard that. Soon a man came running to Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and asked him to leave the city, else the people of Fir'aun would kill him.
- So Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) decided to leave the city, and he started walking. He hadn't any idea about the route to take. But still, he walked a lot until his shoes were torn. He was travelling alone, and he asked Allah for guidance and protection.

A new chapter begins in the life of prophet Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)

- At last he reached the city of Madhyan. There, he came across a well where many men were watering their herds.
- He noticed two women holding back their herds, waiting for the men to leave the place. Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) asked those women, "What is the problem?"
- They replied, "We cannot water our animals until the other shepherds are done, for our father is a very old man." [Quran 28:23]
- So Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) watered their herd and returned it to them, and they went home, while Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) took rest in a shade.



- When the women reached their house, their father asked them, "How did you reach so quickly?"

- ▶ They explained the incident happened, and the old father asked his daughter to invite the man to their house.
- ▶ One of his daughters went to Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to invite him home. She was very modest. She told Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) that their father had invited him to give some rewards.
- ▶ Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) accepted her invitation and asked her to follow him and guide him, as he didn't know the way to their home. Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was very pious, and this is why he asked the girl to walk behind him.
- ▶ According to many historians and scholars, that father was the prophet Shuhaib (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). When they reached the home of prophet Shuhaib (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), he asked Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) the reason for reaching Madhyan. Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) explained his story, and Shuhaib (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) consoled him, saying, "Have no fear; you are now safe from the wrongdoers." [Quran 28:25]

What were the two great qualities in Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)

- ▶ One of the daughters of Shuhaib (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) suggested, "O my dear father! Hire him.

The best man for employment is definitely the **strong and trustworthy one.**" [Quran 28:26] Here they found two qualities in him: strength and trust.

- So these are two important qualities to become a good businessman or employee, or to succeed in any other profession.

STRONG AND TRUSTWORTHY ONE

- So, Shuhaib (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) decided to give him a job. It was actually a great help for Musa, because at that time he had no shelter and was looking for one.
- Thus Allah blessed him with a job and shelter in a good family.
- Later, Shuhaib (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) decided to marry one of his daughters to Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) under the condition to work for eight years for them. He can also work for ten years. Thus he married the daughter of Shuhaib (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and worked for them as shepherd.



- ▶ Not only Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) , but many other prophets were also shepherds. Working with animals will raise many qualities in us, like patience. Even our prophet Muhammad ﷺ was a shepherd.
- ▶ After completing ten years, Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) decided to return to his hometown to meet his people. On the way to Egypt, Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) found a light on Mount Thor. He asked his family to wait in the valley, and he walked towards the light.



Allah chose him as a prophet

- ▶ From that mountain, Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) spoke with Allah. The only human being spoken to directly -

by Allah on earth is Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).

- ▶ Allah informed Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) that he was selected as a prophet and asked him to go to his people and preach to them to worship Allah alone. Allah decided to show him a miracle and commanded him to drop his stick. Soon, the stick turned into a snake.
- ▶ Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was afraid and moved away. But Allah consoled him and told him not to be worried. Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) requested that Allah send Haroon, the brother of Musa, to assist him in his prophetic mission as he was good at speaking.

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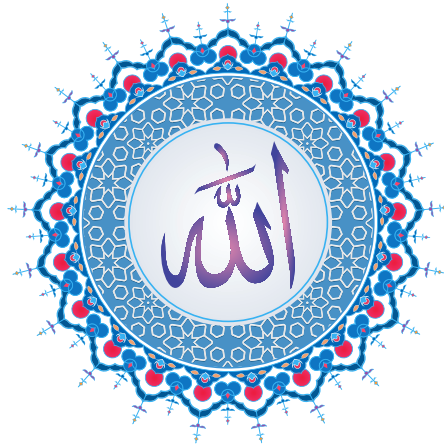
- ▶ Thus Allah selected Haroon too as a prophet. After they reached Egypt, Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) asked Fir'aun to stop the oppression towards Bani Israel and asked him to worship Allah alone.

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- ▶ Fir'aun replied that if he doesn't stop his preaching, he will imprison him. They didn't believe Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) as a prophet, and Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) -

decided to prove it to Fir'aun by showing them some miracles.

- ▶ On an appointed day, Fir'aun invited all his great magicians. Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) too joined them.
- ▶ The magicians of Fir'aun dropped their sticks and ropes, which had moved just due to some tricks. But when Musa dropped his stick, it became a really big snake and ate all their snakes. By seeing this miracle, many magicians believed in Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Allah.



The most arrogant human being ever lived in this earth

- ▶ But Fir'aun didn't believe it and rejected it by saying it was mere magic. He asked his magicians how they would believe without his permission. He also warned them that if they believed in Musa

(عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), he would kill them, crucify them, and also cut off their one leg and one hand.

- ▶ People who believed in Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) told Fir'aun to do whatever he wanted, and they only wanted to win in the hereafter. So they believed Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) as a prophet and worshipped Allah alone. Fir'aun increased his oppression against Bani Israel. He killed many people, chopped off the hands and legs of many people, and continued his cruelty.
- ▶ Some of the people of Bani Israel said to Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) that they were witnessing the cruelty of Fir'aun before his arrival and even now that continues. Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) asked them to be patient and informed them that Allah would definitely destroy Fir'aun and save them.

Different punishments from Allah

- ▶ Allah started to send different punishments to the people. They were initially affected by a severe drought. They lost all their crops and faced famine. Thus, they got their sense back and asked Musa to pray to Allah.



- Once they returned to prosperity, they said, "This is what we deserve" [Quran 7:131] and continued in disbelief.
- They also said, "No matter what sign you may bring to deceive us, we will never believe in you." [Quran 7:132]

- Again, Allah sent them a flood, through which they again suffered and asked Musa to pray to the God. Whenever they met with punishment, they asked Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) : "O Moses, invoke for us your Lord by what He has promised you." "If you can remove the punishment from us, we will surely believe you, and we will send with you the children of Israel." But as soon as We removed the torment from them—until they met their inevitable fate —they broke their promise. [Quran 7:134,135]

- ▶ Once they got back to their normal lives, they always broke their promises.
- ▶ Later, Allah punished them with the outbreak of locusts, then with lice, then with frogs, and they also witnessed that all that they touched became blood.



- ▶ Whenever they met a punishment, they blamed Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and asked him to pray to get out of it. This was a miracle of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to save them all the time by praying to Allah. Once they return to their normal lives, they again disobey Allah and Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).
- ▶ Here, Allah always gave the people and the Fir'aun opportunities to believe in the truth, but they always moved away from that. Even when Allah showed them different signs, punishing them and saving them one after another, they didn't believe in Allah.

The final punishment

- ▶ When the cruelty of Fir'aun broke out without limits, Allah instructed Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his companions to leave the city.
- ▶ Thus, they decided to leave the place. However, Fir'aun came to know of their plan and followed Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his companions along with his powerful army.
- ▶ Once they reached the Red Sea, they had no way to cross it, and Fir'aun was chasing them. Soon, Allah ordered Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to touch the sea with his stick. By the miracle of Allah, the sea split in two, and Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his companions crossed the sea.



- Fir'aun and his army too entered the path through the sea; the sea reunited, and thus Fir'aun and his powerful army drowned in it. During the time of his death, Fir'aun claimed that he believed in Allah and would be a Muslim.
- "I believe that there is no god except that in whom the Children of Israel believe, and I am now one of those who submit." [Quran 10:90]
But Allah didn't accept his repentance.
- He was killed in the sea, and Allah preserved his body intact as a lesson for mankind, and Allah informed the world of this through the Quran:
"Today We will preserve your corpse so that you may become an example for those who come after you." [Quran 10:92]

- Dear students, we can see the body at the Museum of Royal Mummies of Egypt in the city of Cairo, Egypt.



- ▶ When we visit that museum, it's not a place for mere enjoyment or to take photographs with Fir'aun. Rather, we should remember the punishment and trials Allah has given to those who disbelieve.
- ▶ Now we have learned a major part of the history of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). Still, there are many other parts to be discussed. We will go into detail on it in the higher classes. In Sha Allah.
- ▶ May Allah bless us with the ability to learn from history.

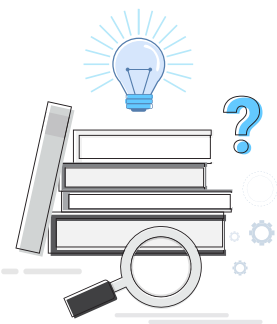
Let's look at some lessons from the life of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)

- 1 Allah will test us in this world with different trials. But we should not forget or deviate from Allah. Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was affected by several trials even from his birth time. He was also asked to speak with one of the biggest dictators who ever lived on earth. Similarly, Allah may test us too, and we should not get away from Allah at those times but should get more and more close to the Almighty Allah.
- 2 Whenever we come across any difficulties, we should seek guidance and protection from Allah. Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) always sought guidance and protection from Allah alone.

- 3 There will be ease after every hardship. Throughout the life of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) , we can see many hardships, but always after that, we can see ease. Likewise, there will be hardships in our lives too, and we should only pray to Allah to get through them and for ease afterward.
- 4 We should not forget Allah's commandments, even if the one who guards us and takes care of us disobeys Allah.
- 5 Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) lived happily in the palace of Fir'aun. He could have continued his joyful life. But even though Fir'aun protected Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) in his childhood, he obeyed Allah's commandments and rejected Fir'aun's words.
- 6 When we see miracles and signs of punishment from Allah, we should believe in Him and not be among those who reject that. Allah showed several miracles and signs of punishment to Fir'aun, but still, he didn't believe in them. Even now, we can see many signs of Allah's punishments. But still, many people are ignorant of that. But we should become more and more close to Allah when we meet his miracles and punishments.

7 The greatest qualities of an employee or an entrepreneur are to be strong and trustworthy. We can see that the daughter of Shuhaib (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) describes Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) as strong and trustworthy enough to make him an employee.

- Dear students, these are some lessons we can learn from the history of prophet Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). We can see many other parts of his life history in different parts of the Quran. In Sha Allah, we will discuss that in the higher classes.
- May Allah help us to learn more about the life of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام), find many lessons from it, and become closer to Allah. May Allah bless you.



EXPLANATORY QUESTION



- When Firaun was killing all the newborn boys of Bani Israel, Allah asked the mother of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to float him on the Nile, and Allah also gave a promise to the mother. What was the promise, and how did Allah keep that promise?

- 2 Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was staying in the palace of Firaun. But an incident caused him to leave the palace for a town far away. What was the incident that caused his first migration? Can you narrate that history?
- 3 Prophet Shuhaib (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) invited Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to his house. What made him invite Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)? Can you find out from history?
- 4 The daughter of Shuhaib (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) suggested that they could appoint Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) as their employee, as she found two qualities in him. What were those qualities? Do you have those qualities in your life?
- 5 When Firaun invited Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to participate in a magic with the Magicians of Firaun, what happened there? What was the miracle given by Allah at that time? How did Firaun respond to the miracles of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)?
- 6 Firaun was a cruel and arrogant king. Can you find out some bad characteristics and cruelty done by him?
- 7 Allah gave different kinds of punishments to Firaun and his people. What were those punishments?
- 8 What was the response of Firaun after each punishment of Allah? Did he repent before Allah?

- 9 What was the final punishment given by Allah to Firaun? How was his end? Can you narrate the story?
- 10 We can see the dead body of Firaun in a museum in Egypt. What is the reason for Allah to preserve it?
- 11 We can see that Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) prayed to Allah during different situations. How often do you pray to Allah? What are the things that you pray to Allah? What do you ask Allah after your salahs?
- 12 What are the lessons you learn from the history of Prophet Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)? Can you explain each lesson you learned and understood to your mentor?



- 1 Which prophet's name is mentioned the most in the Quran, and how many times?
- 2 What is the name of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) according to the Bible?
- 3 What was the name of the family to which Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was born?

- 4 Who was the arrogant king who lived during the time of the prophet Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 5 What was the claim made by the arrogant king who lived during the time of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 6 Name of the river in which Prophet Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) was floated by his mother according to Allah's command
- 7 Who noticed the floating basket with Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 8 Where did Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) grow up?
- 9 Who breastfed Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and who informed the palace about that woman?
- 10 How did Allah keep the promise given to the mother of the prophet Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) ?
- 11 What did Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) see when he went a day to the town, and what did he do there?
- 12 Why did Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) leave the town where he grew up?

- 13 Where did Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) reach at last in his escape?
- 14 What was the reason for two girls to hold back their herds?
- 15 Who, according to the historians, is the father of the two girls whom Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) helped?
- 16 How did the old man console Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)?
- 17 What were the two qualities of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) that made the girl recommend him for a job?
- 18 What job was assigned to Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) with the agreement to work for a period of time?
- 19 Where did Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) see the light while travelling to his hometown?
- 20 What was the first miracle shown by Allah to Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)?
- 21 What was the name of the prophet Musa's brother, whom Allah selected to be a prophet along with him?

- 22 Who is the only human spoken to Allah from the earth directly?
- 23 What was the reaction of Firaun when he saw the miracle of Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)?
- 24 What was the reason for the magicians to believe in Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام)?
- 25 What was the first punishment given by Allah to the people of Firuan?
- 26 What were the punishments given by Allah to the people of Firaun?
- 27 What did the people of Firaun do when they always faced punishment?
- 28 In which sea did Firaun drown?
- 29 How did Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) cross the sea?
- 30 Where can we see the dead body of Firaun?

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PROPHET MUHAMMAD ﷺ PART 1

➤ Introduction

Masha Allah, you studied the stories of different prophets in the previous chapters. Why did Allah send prophets? What was the message preached by all the prophets? Yes, all the prophets preached the same message to all the generations: to worship Allah alone.

- لا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ (there is no God, but Allah) was the most important principle preached by all the prophets to their community.



- We studied the history of eight prophets, from Adam (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) to Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). Allah mentions the names of 25 prophets in the Quran. Among those, we discussed only eight.

The Final prophet

- In Sha Allah, we are going to discuss the final messenger to the whole world, Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, in this chapter. He is the last and final messenger to the whole of humanity. According to 33:40 of the holy Quran, there will not be any prophet after the prophet Muhammad ﷺ.
- He is also known as خَاتَمَ النَّبِيِّينَ which means 'the seal of the prophets.'
Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is the role model for all the people on this earth, for all those who have been born and will be born until the last day of the earth.

- We Muslims love and respect him. Whenever we hear his name, we say صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ , which means "peace of be upon him".

In order to become a Muslim, we should proclaim Shahadhah,

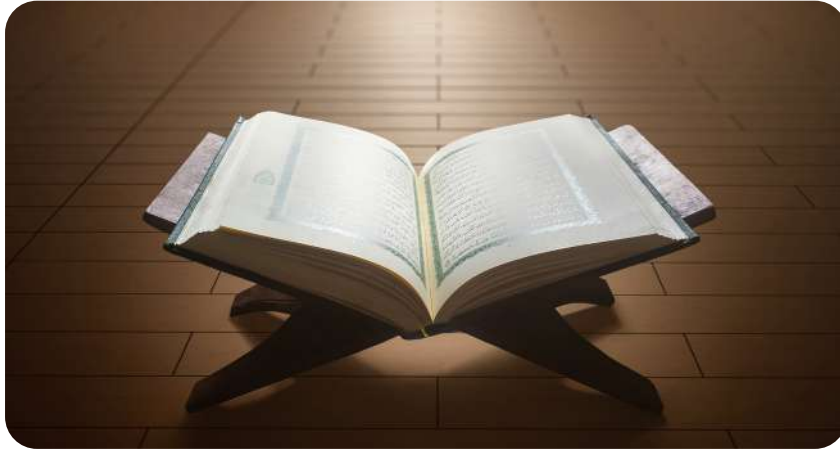
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ

which means, "I bear witness that there is no God but, Allah, and I bear witness that Muhammad is the messenger of Allah".

أشهد ان لا اله الا الله
وأشهد ان محمد رسول الله

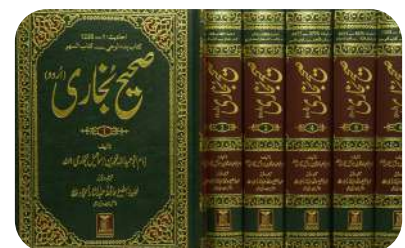
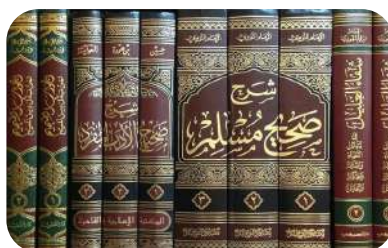
➤ So friends, In order to enter Jannah, we have to believe that the prophet Muhammad ﷺ is the messenger of Allah.

We all know that Allah revealed the last revelation, the glorious Quran, through our beloved prophet Muhammad ﷺ.



➤ The Quran is the living message of our prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Almighty Allah has given different books to previous prophets, but all those books got corrupted and were changed from their original text. But only the holy Quran remains the same as it is revealed.

➤ In order to become a good Muslim, we have to study the teachings of our beloved prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Throughout our madrasa, we studied the Quran and various Hadiths.



▶ May Allah help you acquire more knowledge in Islam. Masha Allah, you all started to learn different things about Islam. All that we have learned till now was taught by our prophet. Now we are going to learn a short biography of our Prophet Muhammad ﷺ.

▶ Some of you know some basic things about our prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Now, let's enrich our knowledge about our beloved prophet. In Sha Allah, in the coming years, we will study his biography entirely in a book.

▶ **The holy city of Makkah is where our prophet was born.**

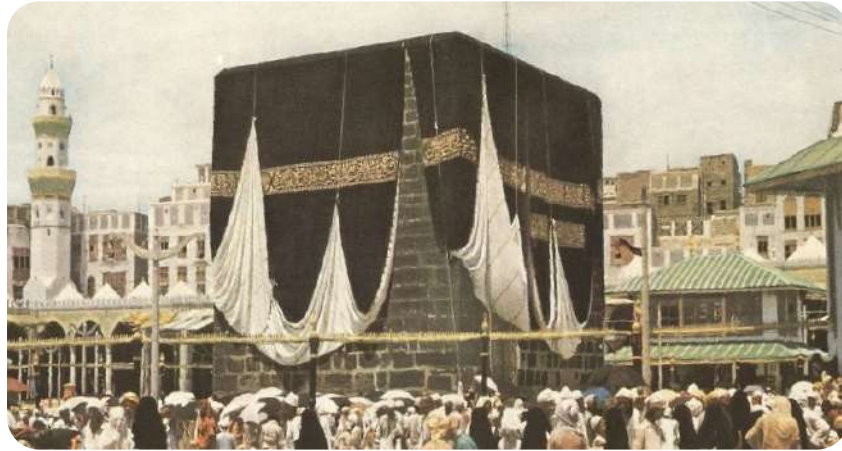
Our beloved prophet Muhammad ﷺ was born in Makkah. Do you know where Makkah is located? Makkah is situated in Saudi Arabia. In order to reach Makkah, we have to travel to the Jeddah airport and go to Makkah.



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King Abdulaziz International Airport

▶ Even before the birth of our prophet Muhammad ﷺ, Makkah was a sacred place. We have already learned the history of the building of the Kaaba by the great -

prophet Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and his son Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) .



- ▶ We learned that whenever a prophet of a place preaches to the community to worship only Allah, very few people follow him and the majority of the people reject him, and after the death of that prophet, the society will return to idol worship.
- ▶ Similarly, in Makkah too, after the time of Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) , people started to worship idols, and the place created for worshipping Allah alone, the Kaaba, was filled with idols inside and out.

The days of jahiliyya (Ignorance)

- ▶ Our prophet Muhammad ﷺ was born in Makkah almost 1500 years ago. He belonged to the tribe of Quraish. There was no agriculture or industry at that time. Sheep and camels were their assets, and trading was their major source of income.

- ▶ The Kaaba was taken care of and maintained by the Quraish tribe. There were also many other tribes in Makkah other than the Quraish. All of them were deeply indulgent toward polytheism and idol worship.
- ▶ Along with idol worship, they were engaged in many other sins, like taking in limitless amounts of liquor, exploiting women, engaging in gambling, murder, and robbery, and also fighting over silly issues, which results in battles. They also used to bury the new-born baby if it was a girl.
- ▶ Many travellers and pilgrims used to visit Makkah often, so the people of Makkah were earning huge incomes from pilgrims and their visitors.
- ▶ We understood that the people of Makkah were engaged in various sins at that time, and that time is known as **جاهلية** which means "ignorance".

▶ Do you know who was the forefather of the people of Makkah?

We learned that the prophet Ibrahim had two sons, Ismail and Ishaq.

We also understood that Ismail had permanently settled in Makkah.

So the inhabitants of Makkah are the children of

Ismail (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام). Thus, the people of Quraish often say that they follow the teachings of prophet Ibrahim, but the truth is that they are far from following his teachings.

Early life of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ

- Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was born in Makkah. Abdullah was his father. Abdul Muthalib was his grandfather, who was the chief of the Quraish tribe.
- His mother was Amina, the daughter of Wahab. It is sad to say that the father of our prophet, Abdullah, died even before his birth, and his grandfather, Abdul Muthalib, was taking care of him. Abdul Muthalib named him Muhammad.
- Muhammad ﷺ was born in the month of Rabiul Awwal.



- Our beloved prophet's mother, Amina, sent her son Muhammad ﷺ to Haleema for breastfeeding.

It was the custom of the old Arabs to hand over the newly born babies to village women to breastfeed. Haleema was fortunate to breastfeed the greatest human being in the world.

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- ▶ Haleema used to take Muhammad ﷺ often to Amina, his mother.
After the period of breastfeeding, Muhammad ﷺ returned to his mother in Makkah. He lived happily in Makkah with his mother until the age of 6.
- ▶ Once, while Muhammad ﷺ and his mother, Amina, were returning after visiting the grave of Abdullah, his father, along with their servant, Ummu Aiman, Amina became sick and died on their way.
It is again sad that the mother of our prophet Muhammad ﷺ died when he was 6 years old.
- ▶ Later, his grandfather, Abdul Muthalib, took care of him until the age of 8. Do you remember who Abdul Muthalib was for the Quraish tribe?
Yes, he was the chief of the tribe.

➤ But, unfortunately, he also died when our prophet was 8 years old. It was a great loss to our prophet Muhammad ﷺ in his 8th year.

Imagine what the situation would be for a boy who lost his father, mother, and even grandfather at a very young age.

➤ It will be very sad, right? After that incident, Abu Thalib, the paternal uncle of the prophet Muhammad ﷺ, took care of him. He was a very respectable man of Quraish.

➤ **Our Prophet was trustworthy**

Unlike other Quraish people, the prophet Muhammad ﷺ never indulged in any of the sins they were engaged in at that time. He never tasted liquor or worshipped idols. He was exalted in character. Due to his excellent character, people started calling him "Al Ameen" (trustworthy).

Do you remember this incident?

➤ Our prophet Muhammad ﷺ was intelligent and had an amazing personality. Do you remember the incident of conflict between the tribes of Makkah while they rebuilt the Kaaba, which was intelligently solved by Muhammad ﷺ? It was related to Hajarul aswad, right?

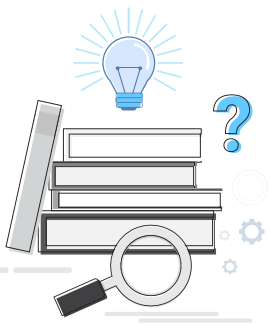
Can you narrate that incident?

The first marriage of prophet Muhammad ﷺ

- Prophet Muhammad ﷺ engaged in different jobs like trading, rearing sheep, and so on. His uncle Abu Thalib arranged a good job for him under a rich woman in Makkah, who was a widow named Khadija bint Khuwaylid ibn Asad.
- Khadija heard about this trustworthy man in Makkah, employed him, and entrusted the responsibilities of her caravans to Shaam. Khadija's servant Maysarah accompanied him. During the trade, Prophet Muhammad ﷺ made a good profit. Maysarah described the honesty and ideal character of Muhammad ﷺ to Khadija after the trade.
- Hearing the good feedback about our prophet, Khadija wished to marry Muhammad ﷺ. She discussed it with her relatives, and our prophet Muhammad ﷺ was also ready to get married to her.
- Abu Thalib led the Nikkah between them. At the time of their marriage, Khadija was 40 years old, and Muhammad ﷺ was 25. Khadija was the first wife of our prophet Muhammad ﷺ. They had a very beautiful and happy life.

➤ Muhammad ﷺ had six children through Khadija named Qasim, Zainab, Ruqayya, Umm Kulthum, Fathima, and Abdulla.

➤ In Sha Allah we have to study alot more things about our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. We will discuss some portions of his great history in the next chapter.



EXPLANATORY QUESTION



- 1 Your neighbour said that there is a prophet after Muhammad ﷺ named Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiyani. He also added that we should believe him as a prophet. How will you respond to him based on Chapter 33, Verse 40, of the Quran?
- 2 Who are the prophets, and what was the prime message of all the prophets?
- 3 During the Jahiliyya period, the people of Makkah were involved in many sins. What were the sins they were involved in?
- 4 We understood that the people of Makkah indulged in many sins. How was our prophet distinct from all those?

- 5 We know that in order to become Muslims we should recite Kalima Shahadha. Can you recite Kalima Shahadha and its meaning? Write it in your notebook and send it to your mentor.
- 6 What makes the Quran unique from the other religious scriptures? What are the features of the Quran? You should research more about the Quran and explain it.
- 7 Can you mention the names of family members of the prophet Muhammad ﷺ? Include the names of his grandfather, father, mother, first wife, children, and the paternal uncle.
- 8 Prophet Muhammad ﷺ experienced many tragedies in his early life. What were the tragedies experienced by him in his childhood and even before his birth?
- 9 Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was brilliant, and he solved a huge problem between the tribes of Makkah during the reconstruction of the Kaaba. What was the problem, and how did he solve it?
- 10 What quality of Muhammad ﷺ attracted Khadija? Can you narrate the history of their marriage?



- 1 What was the important principle preached by all the prophets?
- 2 What is meant by خَاتَمَ النَّبِيِّينَ ?
- 3 What should we say when we hear or say the name of the prophet Muhammad ﷺ ?
- 4 In order to become a Muslim, we should proclaim
- 5 Where is Makkah City located and Which is the nearest airport to Makkah city?
- 6 Which tribe took care of Kaaba and maintained it?
- 7 What was the period of جَاهِلِيَّةَ ?
- 8 Which son of Ibrahim (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) inhabited Makkah?

- 9 Who were the parents of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ?
- 10 What was the name of the lady who breastfed Prophet Muhammad ﷺ?
- 11 Amina, mother of the prophet Muhammad ﷺ, died when he was ___ years old.
- 12 Who took care of Muhammad ﷺ after the death of his grandfather?
- 13 What was the name called by the people of Makkah for Muhammad ﷺ? Why did they call him by that name?
- 14 Who described the character of Muhammad ﷺ to Khadija?
- 15 What were the ages of Muhammad ﷺ and Khadija when they got married?



10 PROPHET MUHAMMAD ﷺ PART 2

- Dear students, We studied about the early life of prophet Muhammad ﷺ through the last chapter. We already discussed the culture of the people of Makkah and how our prophet is distinct from them.
- In what name was the prophet Muhammad ﷺ known? Yes, our prophet was known for his trustworthy character by the name "Al Ameen." He had an amazing character too.

Quran revelation story

- While all the people of his tribe indulged in idol worship, our prophet Muhammad ﷺ wasn't involved in it. Muhammad ﷺ often goes to a cave named Hira in a mountain named Jabal An Noor and meditates there.



- Suddenly, one day, the Angel of Allah, Jibreel, -

came to Muhammad ﷺ while he was alone in the cave and commanded "Iqra," which means "read," but our Muhammad ﷺ didn't know how to read or write; he was an illiterate. He was afraid and said, "I don't know how to read." Jibreel held him tightly and released him when he couldn't withstand it anymore, then asked him again to read.

- Muhammad ﷺ repeated his answer again, and Jibreel again held him tighter and released him. Again, for the third time, Jibreel asked to read; now, again, Muhammad ﷺ repeated his answer. But this time, Jibreel recited the verse for Muhammad ﷺ. It was the first five verses of Surah Al-Alaq.

Read, 'O Prophet,'in the Name of your Lord Who created

أَقْرَأْ بِأَسْمِ رَبِّكَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ

created humans from a clinging clot.

خَلَقَ الْإِنْسَانَ مِنْ عَلَقٍ

Read! And your Lord is the Most Generous,

أَقْرَأْ وَرَبُّكَ الْأَكْرَمُ

Who taught by the pen

الَّذِي عَلَّمَ بِالْقَلَمِ

taught humanity what they knew not.

عَلَّمَ الْإِنْسَانَ مَا لَمْ يَعْلَم

- ▶ Muhammad ﷺ was afraid, and he was shivering. He ran fast to his home, saying “Zamilooni... Zamilooni...”, which means “Cover me... Cover me...”, to his beloved wife Khadija (R). She wrapped him in a blanket.
- ▶ Muhammad ﷺ explained the incident that happened inside the cave to his wife. Khadija (R) consolidated: “Allah will never abandon you as long as you maintain family relationships, help the poor, carry the burdens of the distressed, and respect the guests.”
- ▶ Later, Khadija took him to one of her relatives, Waraqat Bin Noufal, who was an expert in the Bible. He told Muhammad ﷺ that the one whom Muhammad ﷺ met from the cave was the same messenger who came to Musa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام) and Isa (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام).



- ▶ He also informed him that he had been selected as the messenger of Allah to this world and conveyed other information he knew about the previous prophets through the Bible. This was when Muhammad ﷺ was 40 years old.

➤ The propagation started

Muhammad ﷺ conveyed the messages to his closest, and Khadija, the wife of Muhammad ﷺ, believed in the prophecy of Muhammad ﷺ first and became a Muslim.

- Next, his closest friend Abu Bakr (r) believed in him, and he was the first man to believe in the prophet. Ali, who was the son of Abu Thalib, the paternal uncle of Muhammad ﷺ, was the first child to believe in him. Zaid ibn Harith, who was a slave, also believed in the prophecy. Those who believe in Muhammad ﷺ and have lived with him are called Swahaba.



- Allah asked Muhammad ﷺ to convey the messages of Allah to the world, as other prophets also did. As per the instruction from Allah, Muhammad ﷺ invited all the people of the Quraish tribe to the valley of Swafa and Marwa.
- When all of them reached the valley, Muhammad ﷺ asked them, "Will you believe me if I say that an army is coming towards you from behind this mountain to attack you?".

▶ They replied, “We have never heard you speak except for the truth.” He informed them that Allah had appointed him as a prophet. Then Muhammad ﷺ reminded them about oneness of Allah and reminded them about the true punishment that is coming to the disbelievers in hell and in the hereafter.

▶ **But most of them were arrogant**

Some of the people among them thus believed in the words of Muhammad ﷺ, but the majority of them rejected his words. Abu Lahab jumped suddenly and raised his voice: “May you perish forever.” “Is this why you’ve assembled us here?”

▶ Almost all the chiefs of the Quraish, like Abu Lahab, Uthubath, Shaibath, etc., disbelieved in him. They also called our prophet a liar, poet, magician, insane, etc. Many people came to the truth through his continuous preaching. But the disbelievers started to attack Muhammad ﷺ and his companions.

▶ **They offered many rewards to stop preaching**

They also gave many offers, like wealth, women, and power, to Muhammad (or Muhammads) to stop preaching the oneness of Allah. But the prophet Muhammad ﷺ rejected all those and continued preaching the oneness of Allah.

➤ **They began to harass our prophet and companions.**

Once Muhammad ﷺ was in the position of prostration, Uqba bin Abi Mu'ait threw the waste of the slaughtered camel like its intestines on the back of him.

➤ Many leaders of the Quraish tribes were surrounding him. He couldn't stand up from prostration until his daughter Fathima came and removed it from him. (Sahih al-Bukhari 3185).

➤ When the disbelievers of Makkah tried to kill the prophet and his companions, they decided to leave for Madina in order to worship Allah alone. This migration to Madina is called "Hijra."



➤ **Who are Muhajir and Ansar?**

Muhajir are those who migrated to Madina from Makkah. Ansar are those who received Muhajir and gave aid and protection to Muhammad ﷺ and his companions in Madina.

➤ The people of Madina were extremely happy to receive and protect the prophet and his companions. They happily shared their belongings with each other. The former name of Madina is يَثْرِب (Yathrib).

➤ Muhammad ﷺ decided to build the first masjid to worship Allah in Madina at the spot where his camel knelt upon first reaching Madina. The land was owned by two orphans. Muhammad ﷺ purchased it from them and built a masjid there along with his followers.



➤ The Masjid was constructed using date palms and leaves. The floor was covered with sand. It was a simple structure to worship Allah. The Qibla at that time was Masjid Al-Aqsa. But later it was changed to the current Qibla, the Kaaba. Along one side of this mosque, some rooms were built for Muhammad ﷺ and his wives to stay in.

➤ Till then, they were staying in the house of Abu Ayyoob Al Ansari. Prophet Muhammad ﷺ lived in Makkah for 50 years and in Madina for 13 years.

- ▶ Even when believers settled in Madina, the disbelievers from Makkah continued to attack them. There were many battles between Muslims and disbelievers.
- ▶ Battles like Badr, Uhd, and Khandaq are the major ones among them. After some years, Muhammad ﷺ and his followers went to Makkah to perform Hajj. Later, Makkah was conquered by Muhammad ﷺ and his companions.
- ▶ But Muhammad ﷺ forgave all those who troubled him. Madina was the headquarters of Islam, and Islam spread to different parts of the world from Madina.



Do you know how the Quran's messages reached us?

- ▶ Many followers of Muhammad ﷺ travelled long distances to introduce the message of Islam to different parts of the world. Our prophet Muhammad ﷺ left this world when he was 63 -

years old and buried in Madina.

- ▶ After the time of Muhammad ﷺ, Islam was ruled by Abu Bakr (r), Umar Ibn Khathab (r), Uthman Ibn Affan (r), and Ali Ibn Abu Thalib (r). They are called Khulafa-e-Rashideen.
- ▶ The companions of Muhammad ﷺ who introduced Islam to different parts of the world reached India too. Alhamdulillah, that caused us to know about Islam and Muhammad ﷺ.

- ▶ Masha Allah, now you have studied a brief biography of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. There is a lot more to learn about the life of our prophet Muhammad ﷺ. In Sha Allah, we will explore more about his life while studying Seerah, an exclusive study about the life of prophet Muhammad ﷺ, in the higher classes.

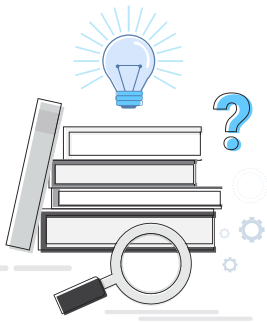
Now let's discuss some lessons that we get from the life of the prophet Muhammad ﷺ

- 1 The complete life of our prophet Muhammad ﷺ is a lesson for us. He has taught us everything about our lives, from waking up to going to sleep. So we should follow him in all walks of life.

- 2 Our prophet always speaks about Allah to others. Similarly, we have to speak about Allah and his oneness with others.
- 3 Our prophet never lied in his life. He was known as Al Ameen for that. Similarly, we should also never lie, even for jokes, and be trustworthy. We should also not lie to kids.
- 4 We should have exalted characters like the prophet Muhammad ﷺ. He had an exalted character and a pleasing personality.
- 5 Our prophet was truthful, so his business flourished. Similarly, we should also be truthful in our profession, and we will flourish in it.
- 6 We may encounter many trials in our lives, but we should not panic. Muhammad ﷺ had many trials in his life. He lost his father even before his birth, his mother when he was 6 years old, and his grandfather when he was 8 years old. But he didn't panic.
- 7 We should believe that Allah will help in all trials we face. Muhammad ﷺ faced a lot of difficulties throughout his life, but Allah always helped him.

8 Muhammad ﷺ was among the biggest tribes of Makkah. But he witnessed much cruelty from the disbelievers for his spreading of the truth. But he was patient in it and at last won the Makkah itself.

➡ May Allah help us learn more lessons from history and live according to them, and may Allah unite us in Jannah with his prophets. Ameen.



EXPLANATORY QUESTION



- 1 Do you remember the Quran revelation story? Can you explain the conversation between Muhammad ﷺ and Jibreel?
- 2 Which were the first verses revealed in the Quran? Can you recite its meaning?
- 3 Prophet Muhammad ﷺ ran to his house, frightened, and asked Khadija to cover him. What was Khadija's response?
- 4 Can you recite Kalima Shahadha and its meaning? Write it in your notebook and send it to your mentor.

- 5 What was the reason for the prophet Muhammad ﷺ to migrate from Makkah to Madeena?
- 6 One of your classmates frequently lies to everyone. You asked him the reason for doing so. He replied that he says lies just for fun. Can we say "lie for fun"? How will you advise him in light of the behaviour of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ?
- 7 What was the reason for the business of Khadija to flourish when the prophet Muhammad ﷺ joined her?
- 8 Do you love our prophet Muhammad ﷺ? Why do you love him?
- 9 Our prophet Muhammad ﷺ is the best creation in this world. But he underwent many trials, even in his early childhood. So we should also expect trials in this world. Have you or your family experienced any difficulties? If yes, what were the difficulties?
- 10 Can you identify the different tests Allah has given to the people surrounding you?



- 1 Which was the cave where Muhammad ﷺ used to meditate often? On which mountain is the cave located?
- 2 Who came in front of Muhammad ﷺ suddenly with the verses of the Quran?
- 3 Which were the first revealed verses of the Quran?
- 4 To whom did Khadija take Muhammad ﷺ when he came home afraid?
- 5 At what age was Prophet Muhammad selected as a messenger by Allah?
- 6 Who was the first man and the first woman to believe in Muhammad ﷺ?
- 7 Who was the first child to believe in Islam?
- 8 Who are the Swahaba?

- 9 Where did the prophet Muhammad ﷺ invite the people of Quraish to inform about the message of Allah?
- 10 Who threw the waste of camels on Muhammad ﷺ ?
- 11 The migration of Muhammad ﷺ and his companions to Madinah is called the
- 12 Islamic calendar is based on the event of
- 13 Those who migrated to Madinah are called
- 14 are those who received Immigrants from Makkah and gave aid and protection to Muhammad ﷺ and his companions in Madina.
- 15 What was the former name of Madinah?
- 16 Which was the first qibla?
- 17 Where did Muhammad ﷺ stay when he first reached Madina?

- 18 Name some battles that happened between disbelievers from Makkah and Muhammad ﷺ and his companions.
- 19 Who are the 4 Khulafa-e-Rashideen?
- 20 At what age did our prophet Muhammad ﷺ leave this world?

