

Bismillah-ir-Rahman-ir-Rahim

Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W)

Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W), was chosen by Allah (S.W.T) to be His last and Final Prophet. He was born in Makkah on 12th Rabi ul-Awwal. His father's name is Hadrat Abdallah (A.S) and his mother is Hadrat Amina (A.S). He is the seal of all the Prophets (A.S) and through him, Allah (S.W.T) sent the Qur'an. He is a mercy to all of mankind, and a gift from Allah (S.W.T) towards the whole of humanity. He taught everyone to worship only one God, Allah (S.W.T) and to love him. He (S.A.W) is the best of Allah's creation, and through the Prophet (S.A.W), we learn how to live our lives as good, proper Muslims with peace, love and kindness. Allah (S.W.T) sent the Prophet (S.A.W) as a guide for the whole of humanity, and we as human beings should look up to his perfect example, in the way he lived his life (S.A.W).

The Prophet (S.A.W) had the best character. He was known as as-Sadiq, (the truthful one). He never spoke a lie, and always kept his tongue pure. The Prophet (S.A.W) was the most merciful and forgiving human being, who cared about every creature created by Allah (S.W.T). The Prophet (S.A.W) even hugged a tree trunk when it wept at its separation from him. He used to stand all night in prayer and cried to Allah (S.W.T) to forgive his Ummah, even though he never got to meet any of us. He was so worried about his Ummah, that he used to beg for our mercy. This is the love and compassion he (S.A.W) had in his heart. The Prophet (S.A.W) was also the most fair and noble. He was never biased, and always made just decisions.

Many people in Makkah did not accept him as a Prophet and wanted to kill him, so he migrated to Madina. This is called his hijrah.

Rasulallah (S.A.W) was not only a noble and kind man, he also was very brave and was filled with immense courage. He (S.A.W) faced many difficulties and hardships through his life, but he never hesitated or refused a Command from Allah (S.W.T). He was also the leader for the Muslims in the many battles he fought. Throughout all this, he was also spreading Islam and teaching the Companions about the beautiful deen, the religion of Islam. Through the extraordinary character of the Prophet (S.A.W), the whole of Arabia accepted Islam.

In the lifetime of the Prophet (S.A.W), he experienced many miracles. Through the Prophet (S.A.W), the Holy Qur'an was revealed. The Holy Qur'an is the last revelation to mankind. The Prophet (S.A.W) used to teach about this blessed Book to his Companions, and we still have that wisdom today. The Prophet (S.A.W) used to receive revelation through Angel Jibrail (A.S). The Prophet (S.A.W) was also given the miracle of Isra wal Miraj, where he went to the highest heaven, and met the Prophets (A.S) that came before him. It was on this journey that Allah (S.W.T) gave him the gift of Salah, which is the Prayer that directly connects one to Allah (S.W.T). Our beloved Prophet (S.A.W) also split the moon in order to show the disbelievers the clear proof of Islam. Allah (S.W.T) gave him this miracle.

The Prophet (S.A.W) is also the most beloved of Allah (S.W.T), with an exalted status. Allah (S.W.T) calls the Prophet (S.A.W) a mercy to all the worlds and, along with the angels, sends peace and blessings upon him. Allah (S.W.T) mentions that if you want to gain His love, you

should do this through loving the Prophet (S.A.W). Allah (S.W.T) praises the Prophet (S.A.W) in the Qur'an in the most high manner and has a very high regard for him. Allah (S.W.T) does not punish people who are in the presence of the Prophet (S.A.W) and loves the people who love His beloved Messenger (S.A.W).

We should all love the Prophet (S.A.W) more than anyone that we know, even our own parents. The love of the Prophet (S.A.W) should fill our hearts. The Prophet (S.A.W) went through so many trials and hardships in his life, to give us the beautiful religion of Islam. We should all send blessings upon the Prophet (S.A.W) daily and try to follow the footsteps of our Prophet (S.A.W). Anytime we are facing a difficulty, we should look to the life of Rasulallah (S.A.W) to see the way he handled things and try to be merciful just like him. The Prophet (S.A.W) is our guide in all aspects of life.

He passed away in Madina at the age of 63. We visit him in Madina when we go to Makkah and Arafat for Hajj.

May Allah (S.W.T) guide us to follow the Hadith and the Sunnah of Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W). Amin.

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