

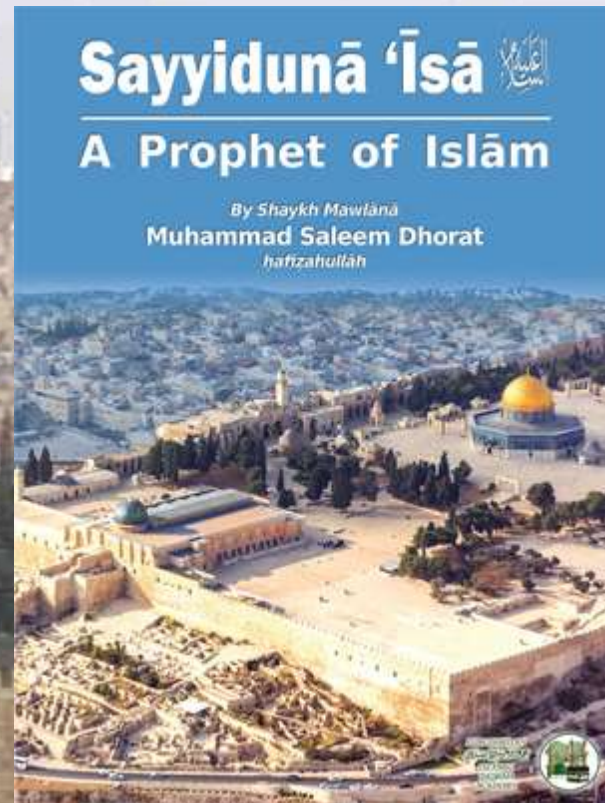
Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام

A Prophet of Islām

Based on Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام – A Prophet of Islām

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Part 1

Birth, Prophethood and Ascent



1. Sayyidah Maryam رضي الله عنها

- The parents of Sayyidah Maryam رضي الله عنها were Sayyidunā ‘Imrān رضي الله عنه & Sayyidah Hannah رضي الله عنها.
- Sayyidah Hannah رضي الله عنها made du‘ā that if granted a child by Allāh سبحانه وتعالى, she would give her child to serve Al-Masjidul Aqsā.
- Allāh سبحانه وتعالى gave her a girl. She named her Maryam.
- Sayyidah Maryam رضي الله عنها grew up. Each Khādim wanted the honour of looking after the child of Sayyidunā ‘Imrān رضي الله عنه.
- Allāh سبحانه وتعالى instructed the Khādims to go to a river and throw the pens they used to copy the Tawrāt, revealed to Prophet Musā عليه السلام. The person whose pen went against the flow of the river would be the one chosen by Allāh سبحانه وتعالى to be the guardian of Sayyidah Maryam رضي الله عنها.

1. Sayyidah Maryam رضي الله عنها

- Prophet Zakariyyā عليه السلام, whose wife was the aunt of Maryam رضي الله عنها, was chosen – his pen moved against the river’s current.
- Sayyidah Maryam رضي الله عنها grew up in Al-Masjidul Aqsā, with fresh fruit out of season. When Prophet Zakariyyā عليه السلام saw this miracle he asked from where did she get the fruits from, she answered “From Allāh سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى.”
- Prophet Zakariyyā عليه السلام prayed to Allāh سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى to bless them with a child to him and his wife in their old age. Allāh سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى accepted their du‘ā. He asked Allāh سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى how this was possible. Allāh سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى said, “It is easy for me, I do whatever I want.” They were blessed with a child called Yahyā عليه السلام, a noble and pious Prophet.

2. Birth of Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام

- One day Sayyidah Maryam عليها السلام went to the eastern part of Al-Masjidul Aqsā for a bath.
- The Archangel Jibra'īl عليه السلام (Gabriel) appeared before her in human form.
- Sayyidah Maryam عليها السلام, being noble, pure and pious woman, became worried and scared on seeing a stranger.
- Jibra'īl عليه السلام told her he was an angel sent by Allāh سبحانه وتعالى informing her she would have a son.
- This was a miracle since no man ever touched Sayyidah Maryam عليها السلام.

2. Birth of Sayyidunā 'Īsā ﷺ

- Jibra'īl ﷺ told her that Allāh ﷻ is All-Powerful and can create a person without a father.
- Jibra'īl ﷺ told her that her son:
 - Would be called Masīh 'Īsā ibn Maryam
 - Would be a sign of Allāh ﷻ for mankind
 - Would be honoured in both worlds
 - Would speak to people whilst still a baby in the cradle
 - Would be a messenger to the children of Isrā'īl (Israel)

3. Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام was a Prophet - part of a greater miracle

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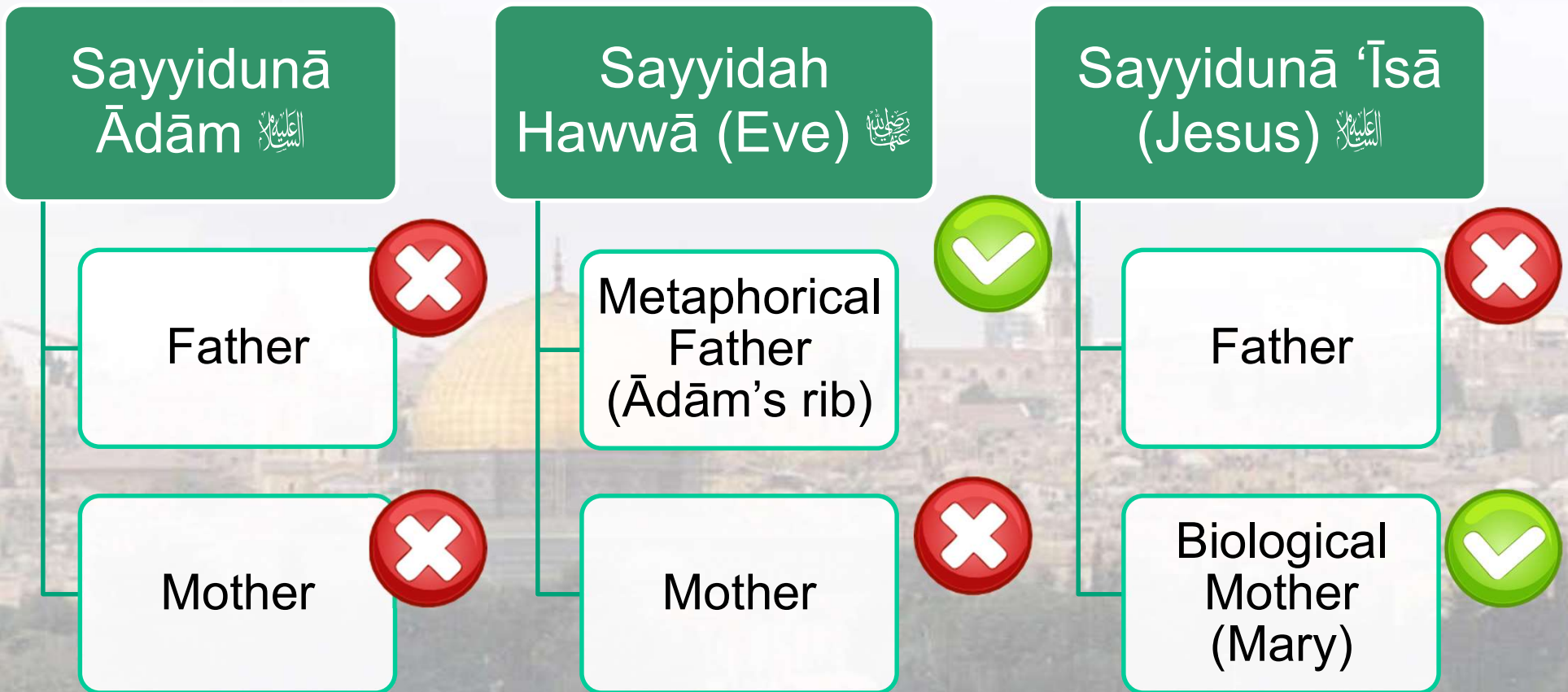
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4. Miracles of Sayyidunā 'Īsā ﷺ

- Sayyidunā 'Īsā ﷺ spoke in his cradle, ﴿﴾ I am the servant of Allāh. He has given me scripture (INJĪL- New Testament/Gospel) and made me a prophet... ﴿﴾ (19:30)
- He brought the dead back to life.
- He cured those who were born blind.
- He cured the leper.
- He made a bird out of clay, blew on it, and made it fly.
- He revealed to the people what they had eaten and what they had hidden in their homes.

5. The Disciples & the Plot against Sayyidunā 'Īsā ﷺ



- The companions of Sayyidunā 'Īsā ﷺ were known as the Hawāriyyīn (Disciples).
- Sayyidunā 'Īsā ﷺ became increasingly popular.
- The leaders of the Israelites became jealous.
- They could not stop people turning to Sayyidunā 'Īsā ﷺ, so they plotted to have him killed.
- The Israelites went to the Roman Governor, Pilate, and accused Sayyidunā 'Īsā ﷺ of wanting to overthrow the Romans and become the leader of the Israelites.

6. The Plot Against Sayyidunā ‘Īsā ﷺ

- Pilate ordered the arrest of Sayyidunā ‘Īsā ﷺ.
- Allāh ﷻ told Sayyidunā ‘Īsā ﷺ about the plot.
- Sayyidunā ‘Īsā ﷺ gathered his followers and told them he would not be with them for long and gave them the responsibility to carry on spreading the Truth.
- The Roman soldiers surrounded the house where Sayyidunā ‘Īsā ﷺ was.
- Allāh ﷻ rescued His beloved Prophet by raising him up into the heavens.

6. The Plot Against Sayyidunā

‘Īsā عليه السلام

- A soldier was sent into the house to get Sayyidunā ‘Īsā عليه السلام. Allāh سبحانه وتعالى changed his face to look like Sayyidunā ‘Īsā عليه السلام.
- More soldiers came in and thought the first soldier was Sayyidunā ‘Īsā عليه السلام and so arrested him. They did not listen to his complaints.
- The Romans crucified that soldier, thinking it was Sayyidunā ‘Īsā عليه السلام.
- As Muslims we consider it is incorrect to believe that Sayyidunā ‘Īsā عليه السلام was crucified.
- Allāh سبحانه وتعالى says,  Indeed they killed him not, nor did they crucify him...But Allāh raised him to Himself. 
(4:157-158) He عليه السلام is still alive in the second heaven.

7. Important Beliefs About Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام

1. Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام is one of the well-known Prophets of Allāh سبحان الله. He is a human, just like all the other Prophets عليه السلام.
2. Allāh سبحان الله revealed a book of guidance to him, known as the Injīl (Gospel). Over time it has undergone many changes and alterations.
3. Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام was born miraculously, without a father. His mother Sayyidah Maryam عليها السلام was never married and no man had touched her.

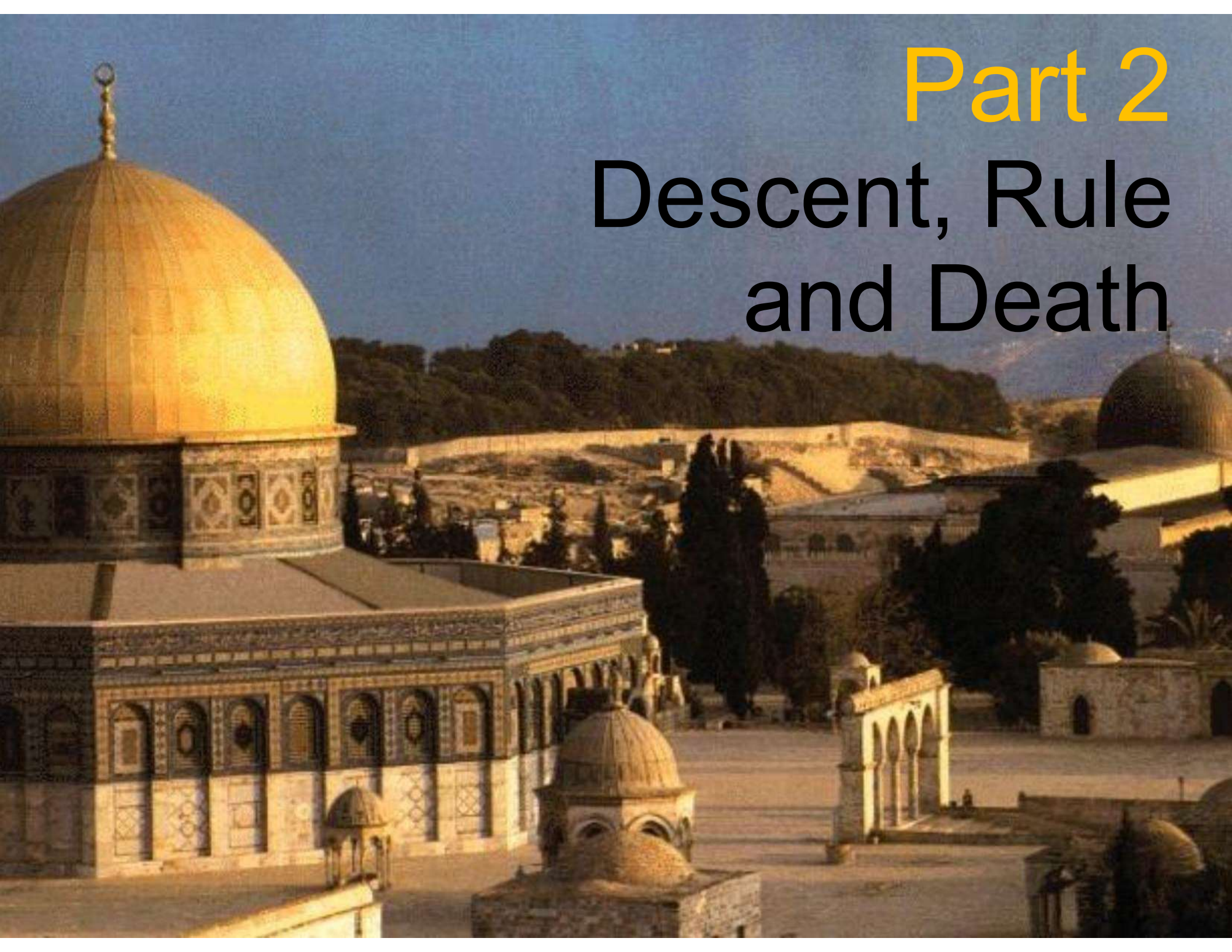
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4. The main aim of his mission was:

- i. To teach tawhīd - oneness of Allāh سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ like all the other Prophets عليهم السلام before him.
- ii. To give the good news that the Final Messenger, our beloved Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم, will be coming.

5. Like all Prophets عليهم السلام, Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام performed miracles with the help of Allāh سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ.

6. Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام has not yet died. He was not killed and he was not crucified. Allāh سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ raised him into the Heavens alive, in body and soul. He is in the Heavens to this day.



Part 2

Descent, Rule and Death

1. Sayyidunā Mahdī

- Every Muslim believes in the Day of Qiyāmah.
- Our beloved Nabī ﷺ has told us some signs that will come before Qiyāmah.
- One of these is the return of Sayyidunā Sayyidunā ‘Īsā عليه السلام.
- When he returns, the leader of the Muslims will be Sayyidunā Mahdī.
- Sayyidunā Mahdī will:
 - Be born in Madīnah Munawwarah
 - Be a descendant of Sayyidah Fātimah رضي الله عنها
 - Be named Muhammad, and his father will be called ‘Abdullāh, and mother Āminah

2. Dajjāl

- **Sayyidunā Mahdī will be in Syria when Dajjāl will appear.**
- **Dajjāl (Antichrist) will appear between Syria and Iraq.**
- **He will see with only one eye – his right eye will have no sight and will stick out like a grape.**
- **On his forehead will be ك ف ر (Kāf, Fā, Rā). Every Muslim will read it and know he is a disbeliever.**
- **Dajjāl will claim to be a prophet, and then declare himself to be God.**

2. Dajjāl

- **Dajjāl will be a test for mankind. He will deceive people by:**
 - **Bringing a dead person back to life**
 - **Causing the rain to fall**
 - **Making fruits and crops grow from dry land**
- **He will travel to many countries where people will join him in large numbers.**
- **He will try to enter Makkah and Madīnah, but angels will be guarding them.**
- **He will go towards Damascus in Syria. He will arrange his army outside Damascus.**

3. Descent of Sayyidunā Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام



- After arranging his army in Damascus, Sayyidunā Mahdī will go to the masjid for Fajr Salāh.
- Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام will come down from the heavens with his two hands resting on the shoulders of two angels.
- Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام will come down on the Eastern Minaret of the Jāmi' Masjid in Damascus and will climb down from the minaret with a ladder.
- Sayyidunā Mahdī will ask him to lead the Salāh. Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام will insist that Sayyidunā Mahdī should lead, as he is the leader of the believers.

3. Descent of Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام

- When the armies of Sayyidunā Mahdī and Dajjāl meet in the battlefield, Dajjāl will run away upon seeing Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام.
- Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام will go after him and kill him.
- Dajjāl's army will be completely defeated.
- Dajjāl's evil and corruption will come to an end and there will be peace.
- All people on earth will happily become believers and live in peace and harmony.
- After some time Sayyidunā Mahdī will pass away and Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام will become the leader of the believers.

4. Ya'jūj and Ma'jūj

- During the rule of Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام - appearance of Ya'jūj and Ma'jūj (Gog and Magog) will take place. There will be destruction throughout the world.
- Allāh سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ will order Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام to take the believers and go to Mount Tūr.
- Allāh سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ will destroy the Ya'jūj and Ma'jūj & Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام will come down from the mountain.

5. Death of Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام

- Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام will rule for forty years – the world will be filled with goodness.
- Will marry and have children.
- Will pass away & be buried alongside Rasūlullāh ﷺ in Madīnah Munawwarah.
- A few years after his death Qiyāmah will come.

6. Nabī Muhammad ﷺ, the Final Messenger

- We believe that our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is the final Messenger.
- How can that be if the Prophet 'Īsā عليه السلام will come again after him?
- Simple: when Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام returns, he will not rule as a Prophet, but will be a follower of Nabī Muhammad ﷺ.
- Example: when the Prime Minister of the UK goes to another country, he will not be prime minister of that country, but will remain prime minister of the UK. When in that country he will obey the laws of the prime minister of that country.

7. Important Beliefs about Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام

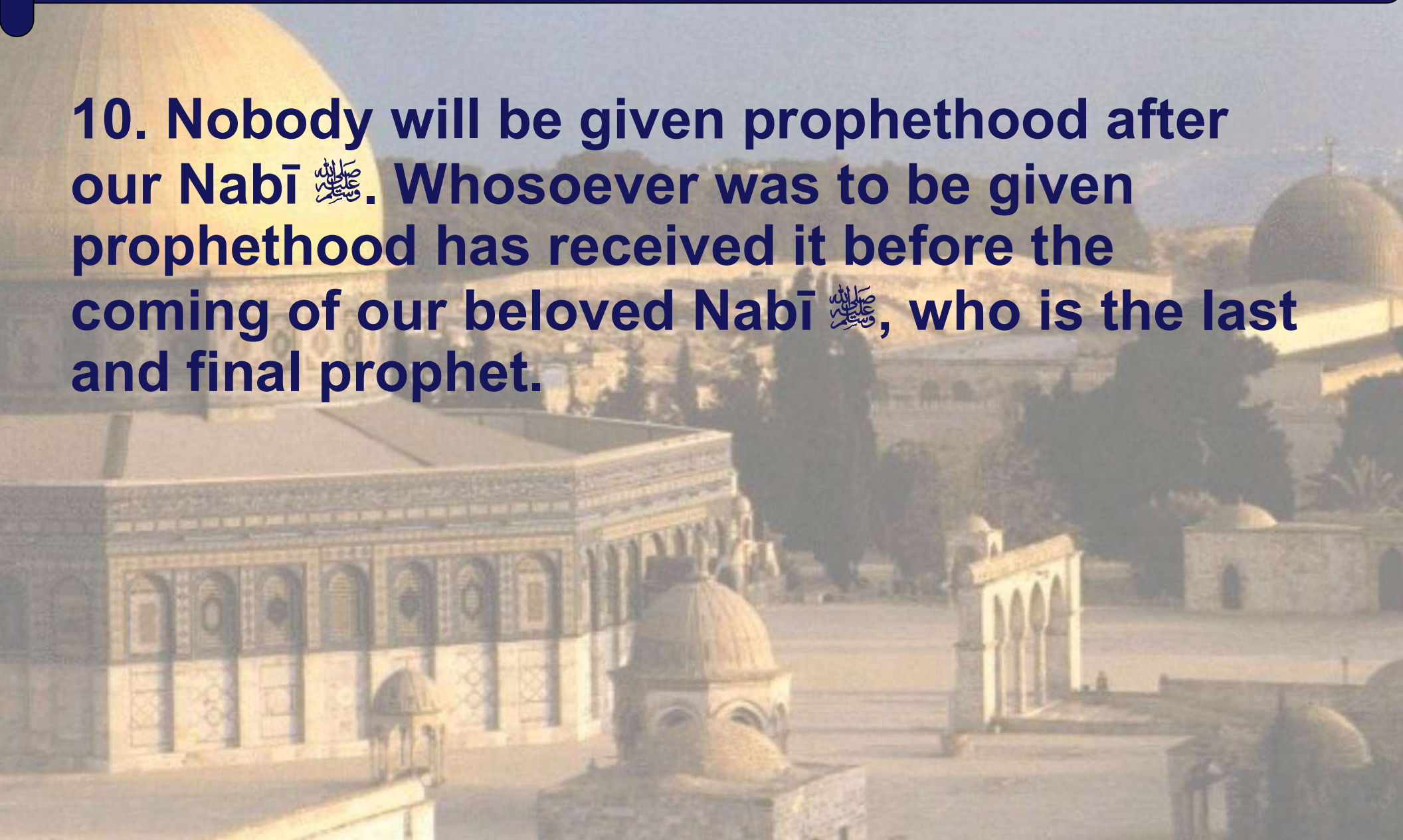
7. Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام will return in the last days before Qiyāmah. His descent will be visible to all. He will not come with a new religion but follow the religion of our beloved Nabī Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم.

8. Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام will kill Dajjāl. All the people of the world will happily become believers.

9. Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام will marry, have children and die a natural death. He will be buried alongside our beloved Nabī صلى الله عليه وسلم in Madīnah Munawwarah.

7. Important Beliefs about Sayyidunā 'Īsā عليه السلام

10. Nobody will be given prophethood after our Nabī صلى الله عليه وسلم. Whosoever was to be given prophethood has received it before the coming of our beloved Nabī صلى الله عليه وسلم, who is the last and final prophet.



May Allāh **سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ** shower
His special blessings
And peace upon

Our beloved Nabī
Muhammad **صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ**

And upon
The Noble Prophet
Sayyidunā 'Īsā **الْعَلَيْهِ السَّلَام**



Part 3

Khātamun Nabiyyīn-

the delusion that a prophet is

1. Khātamun Nabiyyīn ﷺ



❖ Muhammad is not the father of any of your men, but (he is) the Apostle of Allāh and the seal of all the Prophet: and Allāh has full knowledge of all things. ❖ (33:40).

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is described as:

- Seal of all the Prophets
- Last of all the Prophets

2. Explanation of 'Seal of all the Prophets' صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ



- 1- Prophet Muhammad صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ is described as the 'seal' or the 'last of all the prophets', and not the holder or the possessor of the seal. The holder of the seal in the sense of "prophet-maker" is non else but Almighty Allāh.
- 2- He is also described as the 'seal of the Prophets' i.e. all categories of Prophets.
- 3- A seal is affixed at the end of a message, decree or enlistment so that there can be no further addition to it.

2. Explanation of 'Seal of all the Prophets' صلى الله عليه وسلم



The term Khātamun Nabiyyīn means 'the final prophet', 'the seal of the prophets' and 'the last prophet.' This verse declares that with Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم, prophethood has come to an end; and no prophet of any category will be born after him.

3. Commentary in the Glorious Qur'ān



❖ This day I have perfected your religion for you, completed my favour upon you and have chosen for you Islām as your religion.

❖ (5:4)

• Allāh ﷻ has completed His religion for His ummah – no need for a new prophet after Prophet Muhammad ﷺ.

❖ Say: O People! I am sent unto you all, as the Apostle of Allāh...

❖ (7:158)

• The word 'all' clarifies Prophet Muhammad ﷺ has been sent to the entire humanity until the Day of Judgement. It is a clear announcement of the Finality of Prophethood.

❖ We have not sent you but as a bringer of good tidings and a warner to all mankind, but most people know not. ❖ (34:28)

• In this verse Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is described as a bringer of good news and a warner to 'all mankind' Therefore there is no need for a prophet after him.

4. Commentary through Authentic Ahādīth



- “My likeness and the likeness of the prophets before me is the likeness of a person who built a house and made it complete and beautiful, except the place of a brick in a corner: So people began to go around it and wonder at it and say, ‘Why has not this brick been placed?’ I am the brick and I am the last of the prophets.” (Al-Bukhārī, Muslim)
- It was said to ‘Alī رضي الله عنه, “You stand to me in the same relation as Hārūn stood to Mūsā, except that there is no prophet after me.” (Al-Bukhārī, Muslim)

4. Commentary through Authentic Ahādīth



- **“Verily, the apostleship and prophethood has finished. So there is no apostle and no prophet after me.”
(At-Tirmidhī)**
- **“I am the last of the prophets and you are the last of the ummahs (nations).”
(Ibn Mājah)**
- **There are 200+ authentic ahādīth supporting belief of Khātme Nubuwwat.**

5. Commentary by the Sahābah ﷺ



- ❑ Qatādah رضي الله عنه says, “[the verse] ‘But he is the Apostle of Allāh, and the seal of the Prophets’, [means he is] the last of them.” (Ibn Jarīr)
- ❑ ‘Abdullāh Ibn Mas‘ūd رضي الله عنه says, “But he is a prophet who has terminated the chain of prophets.” (Al-Qurtubi)
- ❑ Hasan رضي الله عنه says, “Allāh سبحانه وتعالى has terminated the chain of prophets by (sending) Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم and he is the last to be sent.” (Durr Manthūr)
- ❑ These same interpretations can be found in many Tafāsīr e.g. Ibn Kathīr & Rūhul-Ma‘āni, etc.

6. Finality of Prophethood & Muslims Scholars



Well-known authorities of Islām are quoted:

✓ Hāfiz Ibn Hazm Al-Andalusi رحمته الله: “ It is accurately related from Rasūlullāh صلى الله عليه وسلم, through all those numerous people who have narrated (the subject of) his prophethood, his miracles and his book, that he had informed us that, there would be no prophet after him.” (Kitābul Fasl)

6. Finality of Prophethood & Muslims Scholars



- ✓ Hāfiz Ibn Kathīr رحمته الله : “From the Mercies of Allāh سبحانه وتعالى upon His servants is sending Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم as a messenger to them. Then from His Reverence for them is terminating the chain of prophets and messengers with his advent and the completing of the Hanīf Dīn for him. Allāh سبحانه وتعالى in His Book and Rasūl صلى الله عليه وسلم in Mutawātir Ahādīth have informed the Ummah that there is no prophet after him...”.

7. Conclusion



- The finality of prophethood in the person of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ has been proven from the Qur'ān, Ahādīth, opinions of the Sahābah رضي الله عنهم, the Muhaddithīn, Mufasssirīn and eminent scholars of Islām.

7. Conclusion



- To conclude Shaykh Mawlānā Muhammad Saleem Dhorat *dāmat barakātuhum* quotes ‘Allāmah Hāfiz Ibn Kathīr رحمته الله from his tafsīr:
“This is the greatest Favour of Allāh سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ upon His Ummah that he has perfected for them their religion. Therefore, they will not be needful of a religion other than Islām, nor of another prophet other than their Prophet (i.e. Muhammad صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ). May Allāh’s peace and blessing be upon him. This is why Allāh سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ has made him the last and final prophet and sent him to both the humans and the jinns.”

