



## Lessons from Al-Isra' wal Mi'raj

### PART 2

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#### 4. Understanding Solah as a gift and solace for a believer.

The story of Al-Isra' wal Mi'raj highlights the significance of Solah (Obligatory Prayer). It teaches us two important things. Firstly, Solah can bring us comfort and tranquillity, and secondly, Solah should not be considered a burden but a precious gift from Allah (swt).

Solah also serves as the covenant between Muslims and Allah (swt). One hadith narrated by Abdullah bin Buraidah that his father said from The Messenger of Allah (swt): "The covenant that stands between us and them (disbelieving people) is the Salah; whoever abandons it, he has committed disbelief."

#### 5. Prophet Muhammad (saw) was recognised as the leader of all Prophets.

Upon arrival at Al-Aqsa, Prophet Muhammad (saw) was requested by the angel, Jibreel, to lead a two-rakaat prayer. This prayer was followed by thousands of Prophets who had come before him. The incident serves as irrefutable evidence to disbelieving individuals who failed to recognise the Prophet Muhammad (saw) as the final Prophet. The extraordinary event also affirms that he is more than the final messenger but also the preeminent leader of all Prophets.

Abu Hurairah (ra) narrated that Prophet Muhammad (saw) said, "I have been preferred over other Prophets with six things, one of which was that I am sent to all of creation." (Muslim)

#### 6. Proofs of rewards and punishments in the after-life.

While ascending to the heavens, our Prophet (saw) witnessed a pleasant scent from the soul of Masyitah (ra), the hairdresser of Firawn. Masyitah (ra) was thrown into the boiling water with all of her children for believing in Allah (swt). Not only that, but our Prophet also saw the punishments for the disbelievers and those who commit sins.

In one hadith, Prophet (saw) mentioned, "During the night of Mi'raj (ascension), I saw a group of people who were scratching their faces with copper nails; I asked, "Who are those people, O Jibreel?" Jibreel replied, "Those people ate the flesh of other people (backbiting) and trampled people's honour."

Therefore, we should be cautious in our actions so as not to commit things that are displeasing to Allah (swt).