

Nabi Musa (A.S.)

Nabi Musa (A.S.) is a Prophet sent by Allah (S.W.T). He had a brother named Harun (A.S.) who was also a Prophet sent by Allah (S.W.T). Nabi Musa (A.S.) was born in Egypt in the tribe of Bani Israel.

The evil king of Egypt named Firawn wanted to kill all the baby boys of Bani Israel because he had heard that one of them would destroy his kingdom one day. Allah (S.W.T.) inspired Nabi Musa (A.S.)'s mother to put Nabi Musa (A.S.) in a basket and place it in the river. Allah (S.W.T.) protected the basket as it floated down the river and landed near the castle of Firawn. Sayyida Asiya (A.S.), who was the wife of Firawn, picked up Nabi Musa (A.S.) and asked Firawn if they could adopt him, and he agreed.

Sayyida Asiya (A.S.) was a very merciful and caring lady for him. When the baby Nabi Musa (A.S.) was hungry, he would not take milk from any lady. Sayyida Asiya (A.S.) asked her servants to find someone who could feed him. Nabi Musa (A.S.)'s mother was called and the baby began drinking milk from her. This is how Allah (S.W.T) united Nabi Musa (A.S.) with his mother. Subhan'Allah.

Nabi Musa (A.S.) was raised as a prince in the house of the evil king. He was very humble and caring towards those who were mistreated. After many years, Allah (S.W.T) guided Nabi Musa (A.S.) to Mount Tur where He spoke with Nabi Musa (A.S) and told him he is His Messenger. This is why Nabi Musa (A.S.) is referred to as *Kalimullah*, the one who talked with Allah (S.W.T).

Allah (S.W.T) commanded Nabi Musa (A.S.) to go to Firawn to invite him to the right path and save the people of Bani Israel. When Nabi Musa (A.S.) went back with his brother Harun (A.S.), Firawn did not believe anything they said and he brought his own magicians to challenge Nabi Musa (A.S.). The magicians threw down their sticks and they turned into little snakes. Allah (S.W.T) told Nabi Musa (A.S.) to throw down his stick and it turned into a huge snake, which ate up all the little snakes. The magicians believed in him and accepted by saying: "We believe in the Lord of the Worlds, the Lord of Musa and Harun." (Qur'an 7:122).

This made Firawn very angry and he wanted to kill Nabi Musa (A.S.) and all his followers. Allah (S.W.T) commanded Nabi Musa (A.S.) to leave those lands with his people. Firawn and his army chased them. When Nabi Musa (A.S.) and his people reached the Red Sea, Allah (S.W.T) commanded him to throw his stick into the sea. The sea parted into two, creating a pathway for Nabi Musa (A.S.) and his people to cross to the other side. When Firawn tried to cross, Allah (S.W.T) commanded the waters of the Red Sea to drown Firawn and his army in it.

This is how Allah (S.W.T) always protects His Prophets (A.S.) and all those that are on the right path. Of all the Prophets, the name of Nabi Musa (A.S.) is mentioned the greatest number of times in the Holy Qur'an. We love Nabi Musa (A.S.).

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