



## Muhammad (saw)

- Quote any prophecy from the old testament about the advent of a great Prophet
- Quote any prophecy from the New testament about the advent of a great Prophet
- Who, in Bible, are the brethren of Bani Israel
- Where is Mt Paran and how many Muslims were with the Holy Prophet during the victory of Mecca?
- Was Islam spread by Force?
- Was Quran compiled in a book format during the life of Muhammad (saw)?
- Did Holy Prophet appoint Khalifa before his death?
- Why statues were destroyed from Ka'aba?

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## The Excellences of Prophethood

The life of the Holy Prophet, peace be on him, was a life of grand success. In his high moral qualities, his spiritual power, his high resolve, the excellence and perfection of his teaching, his perfect example and the acceptance of his prayers, in short, in every aspect of his life, he exhibited such bright signs that even a person of low intelligence, provided he is not inspired by unreasonable rancour and enmity, is forced to confess that he was a perfect example of manifestation of Divine qualities and was a perfect man. (*Al-Hakam, 10th April, 1902, p. 5*)

It is my belief that if, leaving the Holy Prophet, peace be on him, aside, all the Prophets who had preceded him had combined to perform the task and to carry out the reform which the Holy Prophet performed and carried out, they would not have been able to do so. They had not the heart and the strength which had been bestowed upon the Holy Prophet. If anyone should say that this shows disrespect towards the other Prophets, he would be guilty of uttering a calumny against me. It is part of my faith to honour and respect the Prophets, but the Holy Prophet's superiority to all other Prophets is the principal part of my faith and my whole being is saturated with it. It is not within my power to exclude it. Let my unfortunate opponent, who is sightless, say what he pleases, but our Holy Prophet, peace be on him, performed a task, which all the others combined together, or separately, could not have performed. This is Allah's grace which He bestows upon whomsoever He so wills. (*Malfoozat, Vol. II, p. 174*)

## Why & When a Reformer

Some people think that since the Muslims have got the perfect book - the Holy Quran - to guide them no reformer is needed by them; they can get guidance from the Holy Quran by themselves.

The idea is very erroneous and the facts of history do not lend support to it.

1. In the first place, we observe that despite the fact that they have the Holy Quran with them they are deteriorating day by day. Discussions among them resulting in vast differences of opinion even about the interpretation of the Holy Quran are on the increase. No doubt they are conscious of the fact that they are going down, they do not find enough of strength to rise up and stand on their feet. This is exactly what we find in the history of previous religions; whenever their followers have deteriorated they have not risen by themselves.
2. In the second place, the practice of God repudiates this idea, whenever darkness has enveloped the spiritual realm; God has been raising a Reformer for the guidance of the people. Look at the followers of Moses; they had a perfect book (according to the need of their time) which contained guidance for them. But whenever darkness enveloped them, they were given another guide in the form of a Reformer who reformed the followers of Moses. So much so that the Holy Quran says: We sent Messengers when he had passed away.
3. In the third place what is actually meant by the perfection of a teaching is that God has mentioned all the ways of spiritual achievement in that specific book and all the needs (religious and spiritual) have been laid down with the ways they can be fulfilled. But if the human mind distorts it with its self-suiting interpretations, the book would lose its meaning for them and they would not be reformed by it unless the truth is unveiled by removing the curtain of self-styled interpretations. The perfect teaching is no doubt like a sharp cutting sword which cuts the sin asunder but there must be somebody who knows how to wield it.
4. In the fourth place, however perfect and effective a teaching might be, unless an example of its implementation is shown to the people they cannot benefit from it. It is through the people of various spiritual ranks that God gives the people models for them to look at and follow them to their personal advantage.
5. In the fifth place the Belief in God is such a tree that unless it is watered with the fresh signs, it dries up. It loses the certainty in the existence of God and comes down to the level of mere philosophical conclusion that "He ought to exist".

This situation is full of doubts and poisonous winds blow here to the detriment of the tree; the tree dries up. But the faith that is obtained through the Prophets and the saintly people, is a living faith and it is a living reality which, as it, shows God to the people and creates a relationship between God and His servants and thus grants a new life.

That shows very clearly that even when a perfect teaching is there, such people are needed who are the manifestation of the various attributes of God and through whom a river of the fresh signs of God begin to flow. Moreover the Reformers who are raised by God and are vouchsafed the living word of God have a special kind of attraction for those who are good natured. In fact it is this very attraction that wakes up the sleeping people.

6. In the sixth place it can be said with the least fear of refutation that unless reformation is real and complete it cannot do any good, rather it proves harmful. But so far as the reformation in the spiritual realm is concerned it is not possible by any person other than the one who is sent by God and receives the knowledge from Him. This person gets the living word of God and he lives through it. The worldly ulema can try to reform the people with the worldly knowledge which might be authentic in a few aspects and unauthentic in many others. The differences of the Muslim world of today have their origin in the worldly knowledge of the ulema. These differences cannot be removed unless a Hakam and Adl gives his decisions about them.

7. In the seventh place, the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, has told his Umma that the Reformers would be raised among them. This is positive proof of the fact that although the Shariat is perfect, the Reformers are needed.

8. In the eighth place the Reformers have already been appearing among Muslims and that is a practical proof that the Reformers are needed, though the Shariat of Islam is quite perfect.

<http://www.alislam.org/library/reform.html>

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(Reference to Questions on page 1:-

Deuteronomy 18:15 , Isaiah 29:12, John 14:15-16 *Song of Solomon (5:9-16)*  
Muslims, near Mecca No, yes, No, establish worship of One God)



# Walkathon 2015 (Report by Basharat Khan)



Ansarullah New Zealand, the auxiliary branch of Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at New Zealand, had organised a highly successful walkathon at Barry Curtis Park, Manukau on Saturday 28 March 2015. This charity event is the seventh one, since its start in 2009 and is now well established.

Mr Shaban Shah, the President Ansarullah, said he was extremely thankful to all members of the Jama'at who had made sterling efforts to raise funds for the worthy cause. He also thanked the staff of Automobile Association NZ and members of Labasa Football Club who also



joined hands to raise funds.

Also gracing the occasion was Louisa Wall, Labour MP for Manurewa. She was very impressed with the event and commented that "This is a great event organised by such friendly people. New Zealand should know more about this."



This year the participants looked very professional as they were all dressed in Hi Vis jackets, kindly donated by Rehan Samut family.

The proceeds from the Walkathon will go mostly to the Blind Foundation NZ and Humanity First.



The Chairman of HF, Mr Bashir Khan said, this year, their share of the funds will go towards helping the cyclone victims of the people of Vanuatu.

Special thanks go to Lajna and Khuddam members for their great efforts.