

and if he does it, only one evil deed will be recorded for him." "I then came down and when I came to Moses and informed him, he said: "Go back to your Lord and ask Him to make things lighter." Upon this the Messenger of Allah remarked: "Now I feel shy of asking My Lord again." "Then I was admitted into Paradise where I found small walls made of pearls and its earth was of musk." (A kind of perfume) Transmitted by Bukhari and Muslim.

Four Notes:

1. The Holy Prophet (may peace be upon him) came so near to Allah that he could hear the scraping of the pans of angels as they were writing the decrees of their Lord. It is a symbolic way of saying that the Holy Prophet (may peace be upon him) was lifted to such heights of spiritual experience where he could distinctly perceive the destiny of the human race being decreed.
2. The concluding verses of Surah Al-Baqara.
3. The beautiful story of the imposition of five daily prayers on Muslims is, of course, not to be taken in the sense that God was ever "undecided" concerning the number of prayers to be imposed on His worshippers. The way this duty was established is merely meant to show that the burden of the Muslims is lighter than that imposed on their predecessors, and that, it is well within the individual ability of man.

(Asad, op. cit., p. 194)

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MIRACLES

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(peace be upon him)

**WITH ALLAH'S (GOD) NAME THE MERCIFUL BENEFACTOR, THE MERCHANTLY REDEEMER
MIRACLES OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)**

The Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) was granted many miracles by Allah (God) and some of them are as follows.

The Holy Quran is the living miracle that was revealed by Allah (God) to Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) through the angel Gabriel, and today fourteen hundred years have passed and not a single letter has been changed and

nobody has been able to produce a single book in comparison to it. It will continue to remain unchanged until the day of resurrection. As Allah said "We will guard it (from corruption)" Holy Quran 15:9 and the statement of the Prophet "Before me, every prophet was given a miracle and they practiced it during their lifetime; i.e. Jesus used to cure the sick and make the dead alive, etc., Moses was given the stick etc., and I have been given the permanent miracle of the Quran till the hour is established, so I hope that my followers will be more in number than all the other apostles as my miracle will last till the day of resurrection, and it is a glorious Book when anyone reads it, even if he is a pagan, etc., he is convinced that it was not written by any human being or any created thing (angels, etc.,) but it is from the Creator of the heavens and the earth." Bukhari. The other Holy Books have been corrupted in the form of addition, subtraction or alteration in their original texts. The Holy Quran will continue to draw people to Allah until the day of resurrection.

The crying of the stem of the date palm tree in the Prophet's Mosque: Narrated Ibn Umar (RA) that the Prophet used to deliver his khutba (religious talk) while leaning against a trunk of a date palm tree. When he had the pulpit made and used it instead, the trunk started crying and the Prophet went to it rubbing his hand over it to stop it from crying. Al-Bukhari vol.4 h.783

The flowing of water from amongst the fingers of Allah's Apostle. Anas B. Malik (RA) reported: I saw Allah's Messenger (peace be upon him) during the time of the afternoon prayer and the people asking for water for performing ablution which they did not find. A small quantity of water was brought to Allah's Messenger (may peace be upon him) and he placed his hand in that vessel and commanded the people to perform ablution. I saw water spouting from his fingers and the people performing ablution until the last amongst them performed it. They were about three hundred people. Salih Muslim and Bukhari.

The miraculous night journey of the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) to Jerusalem, and then to the heavens. It is narrated on the authority of Anas B. Malik (RA) that the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) said: "While I was at Mecca the roof of my house was opened and Gabriel (the angel) descended, opened my chest, and washed it with Zam-Zam water. Then he brought a golden tray full of wisdom and faith and having poured its contents into my chest, he closed it. I was brought Al-Buraq, an

animal white and long, larger than a donkey but smaller than a mule, whose stride was equal to the range of it's vision. I mounted it and came to the temple in Jerusalem, then tied it to the ring used by the Prophets. I entered the mosque and prayed two rakahs in it, and then came out. Gabriel brought me a vessel of wine and a vessel of milk. I chose the milk and Gabriel said: "you have chosen the natural thing." Then he took my hand and ascended with me to the nearest heaven.

When I reached the nearest heaven, Gabriel said to the gatekeeper "open the gate." The gatekeeper asked, "who is it?" Gabriel answered, "Gabriel." He asked: "Is there anyone with you?" Gabriel replied, "yes, Muhammad (peace be upon him) is with me." He asked, "Has he been called?" Gabriel said: "yes." So the gate was opened for us and Lo! we saw Adam. He welcomed me and prayed for my good. The Prophet related that he saw Jesus and John in the second heaven, Joseph in the third, Idris in the fourth, Aaron in the fifth, Moses in the sixth and Abraham (May the peace and blessings of Allah be upon them all) in the seventh heaven reclining against the Bai-ul-aminah (the much frequented house) and there entered into it seventy thousand angels everyday for the worship of their Lord never to visit (his place) again. Then I was taken up to Sidrat-ul-Muntaha (The lote tree of the utmost boundary) whose leaves were like elephant ears and it's fruits like big earthenware vessels, and when it was covered by the command of Allah, it underwent such a change that none amongst the creation has

the power to praise it's beauty." The Holy Prophet (peace be upon him) related that Gabriel "ascended with me till I was taken to such a height where I heard the scraping of the pens."¹ "Then Allah revealed to me a revelation" and He made obligatory for me fifty prayers every day and night. Then I went down to Moses (peace be upon him) and he said: "What has your Lord enjoined on your followers?" I said, "Fifty prayers." He said "Return to your Lord and beg for reduction (in the number of prayers), for your community will not be able to bear this burden, as I have put to rest the children of Israel and tried them" (and found them too weak to bear such a heavy burden.) He (the Holy Prophet) said: "I went back to My Lord and said: "My Lord, make things lighter for my followers," and He reduced it to half. When I passed by Moses again and informed him about it, he said: "Go back to your Lord as your followers will not be able to bear it." So I returned to Allah and requested for further reduction and half of it was reduced. I again passed by Moses and he said to me "Returned to your Lord for your followers will not be able to bear it." I then kept going back and forth between my Lord, Blessed and exalted, and Moses, till He (Allah) said: "There are five prayers every day and night, O Muhammad, each been credited as ten, so that makes fifty prayers." He who intends to do a good deed and does not do it will have a good deed recorded for him; and if he does it, it will be recorded for him as ten; whereas he who intends to do an evil deed and does not do it, it will not be recorded for him;

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