

THE FINAL REVELATION

The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ stated in the final sermon

"I leave behind two things for you, the Qur'aan and the Sunnah, and if you follow these you will never go astray."

Qur'aan - "The Recitation"

According to Muslim belief, the Qur'aan (Koran) is the book of divine guidance and direction for all of mankind. It is the final revelation from God. The Qur'aan was revealed by Almighty Allah, through the Angel Jibrael (Gabriel) عليه السلام, to the final Messenger, the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, peace be upon him, over a period of 23 years (610 CE to 622 CE). As portions were revealed they were memorised and written on parchments, skins and any available materials.

After the Prophet's ﷺ death, the written portions were collected and compiled at the time of Abu Bakr Siddique رضي الله عنه, the first caliph, and was standardized during the time of Uthman ibn Affan رضي الله عنه, the third caliph.

Muslims regard the Qur'aan as the culmination of a series of divine messages that started with those revealed to the first Prophet, Adam عليه السلام, continued with the Suhufe Ibraheem (Scrolls of Abraham عليه السلام), the Tawraat (Torah), the Zabur (Psalms), and the Injeel (Gospel).

The Qur'aan also refers to many events from Jewish and Christian scriptures, some of which are retold in comparatively distinctive ways from the Bible and the Torah.

Allah has guaranteed that He will protect the Qur'aan from human tampering. Today one can find exact copies of the Qur'aan all over the world without any alteration to that of the earliest written version, which can be found in the British Museum.

The Qur'aan being the most read book in the world is preserved in the hearts of many Muslims. Some children as young as 9 years old will have committed the entire text of the Qur'aan to memory.



ﷺ = May Allah Shower His Mercy and blessings upon Him

رضي الله عنه = Allah be pleased with them

ﷺ = Peace be upon him