

## History of Nabi Isa (a)

Grandfather - Imran (Joachim)

Grandmother - Hannah (Anna)

Mother - Maryam (Mary)

Prophet Zakariya (Zechariah) was married to his grandmother's sister Hananah (Elisabeth). Their son Yahya (John the Baptist) was his mother's first cousin.

During his first seven years Nabi Isa and his mother lived in Iraq where he had been born. They lived in Baratha, and then in Kufa. They had a good land to stay on and fresh water from the Euphrates river. They also spent some time in Egypt.

When Nabi Isa was seven years old Allah gave him the mission of Prophethood. He was the final of 600 Prophets sent to the Israelites. His duty was to guide his people, and all of humanity in general, to the worship of One God, and to correct beliefs and practices. The law that he brought upheld and amended the law brought by Nabi Musa to his people - it was a continuation and enhancement of the previous laws. His people were supposed to follow him as their Messenger now.

Allah made a covenant with him to;

- 1) Believe in and worship Him
- 2) support other Prophets
- 3) work sincerely for the guidance of the people.

Allah gave him the light of guidance, knowledge, wisdom, along with the knowledge of all previous Prophets and their laws. He was chosen to be part of the special group of Ulul Azm Prophets - The Prophets with great resolve. He the fourth of the five Prophets who would be the bearers of laws.

Nabi Isa returned to Jerusalem to begin his mission. In the month of Ramadan that year Allah revealed to Nabi Isa the Taurat (Evangel). It was given to him as a complete book, not in parts. He was given miracles that would prove his Divine connection to the people.

Jesus was noble, a worshipper of Allah, an ascetic, and was loving to all the believers and excellent in his conduct with others. His ring was engraved with two sayings he took from the Gospel, "Blessed is the servant because of whom Allah is remembered, and woe unto the servant because of whom Allah is forgotten."

His shariah (law) included tawhid (divine unity), ikhlas (purity), the rejection of partners [for Allah], and the uprightness of human nature. He made lawful what is pure and prohibited what is impure. His laws included prayer and charity.

Nabi Isa lived for thirty-three years; he was not killed nor crucified, but it was made to appear so. On the night of the twenty-first of Ramadan he was raised from the earth alive and taken to Heaven.

He will come down to the world before the Resurrection day with the twelfth Imam of the Household of the Prophet, and invite the people to Allah.

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