



RASOOLULLAH ﷺ IS ALIVE

There are many corrupt and misled people that say that Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) is dead and mixed with the sand, Astaghfirullah! Insha Allah below you will find proof from the Glorious Qur'an, Ahadith, as well as from eminent Scholars of Islam that show that all the Prophets of Allah including Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) are undoubtedly alive.

The Prophets of Almighty Allah are alive in their graves like they were alive on earth. They eat, drink and come and go as they wish. To fulfill the promise of Allah Ta'ala, "Every soul is to taste death [Surah 21, Verse 35]", they tasted death for a moment and were given life again. Thereafter they are given the same life in their graves as they had on earth. The same laws of this world apply to them in their graves. Therefore their estate or belongings are not distributed as inheritance. It is Haraam for their pious wives to remarry and there is no Iddah period for their pious wives. Prophets of Allah eat, drink and perform Salaah in their graves as they normally did during their life on earth. [*Bahaare Shariat; Malfooz Shareef*]

Allah Ta'ala states in the Holy Qur'an, "Surely you shall die, and surely they shall also die. [Surah 39, Verse 30] In truth, this death is just for a moment and not for eternity otherwise the Holy Qur'an also states regarding the Shuhadah (Martyrs), "And they are alive, but you are unaware." [Surah 2, Verse 154] It should be remembered that there are two conditions of death, the separation of the soul from the body and the other is to leave the use of the soul in the body and to terminate the process of upbringing. The demise of the Prophets is of the first category i.e. the departure of the soul from the body while the death of common people is from both categories. Thus, because the souls of the Prophets leave the body, they are given Kafan, burial etc. but their soul continues to take care of their bodies and to utilize them. It is for this reason that their bodies do not decay and they recognize those who come to their blessed graves and they listen to their greetings etc. [*Tafseer Noorul Irfaan*]

To further illustrate the point that the blessed bodies of the Prophets do not decay, let us look at the Holy Qur'an. Allah Ta'ala states, "Then when We decreed death for him (Sulaiman), We did not inform the jinns about his death, except the termites of the earth that used to eat his staff. So when he came down on earth, the reality was known by the jinns." [Surah 34, Verse 14] This verse discusses the time when Hazrat Sulaiman (Alaihis Salaam) had to leave this world. It is stated that Baitul Muqaddas was still not completed at the time of his demise and Hazrat Sulaiman (Alaihis Salaam) made Dua to Allah Ta'ala, "O my Lord, the construction of the Mosque is still incomplete." In response to this Dua, Hazrat Sulaiman (Alaihis Salaam) was instructed to stand, making the intention of Salaah. This was because the jinns would sit in front of him in total obedience doing all the work required, but when they were out of his sight, they would become rebellious.

Therefore he stood in Salaah as instructed, taking support from his walking stick and his noble soul was captured in this very state. Hazrat Sulaiman (Alaihis Salaam) stood against the stick for one full year. The jinns did not suspect that the great Prophet had passed on, because they were used to seeing him perform Salaah for days in this condition. Therefore they continued to complete the construction of the Mosque. After a year, when the ants had devoured the stick, it fell to the ground and so did the blessed body of Hazrat Sulaiman (Alaihis Salaam). Seeing this,

the jinns disappeared but by then the construction of the Mosque had been completed. From this incident we learn that the blessed bodies of the Prophets are saved from decay after their physical demise. The ants ate the entire stick but did not even touch the blessed body of Hazrat Sulaiman (Alaihis Salaam). [*Tafseer Noorul Irfaan*]

Furthermore, the Journey of Me'raj on which Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) went, also shows that the Prophets are alive. Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) met Hazrat Moosa (Alaihis Salaam) on that night and even spoke to him. In fact it was due to the help of Hazrat Moosa (Alaihis Salaam) that the fifty times Salaah was reduced to five times a day for us. This shows that the pious servants of Allah Ta'ala are alive and can also provide help even after their demise. [*Tafseer Noorul Irfaan*]

Allah Ta'ala states in the Glorious Qur'an, "And ask those of Our Messengers whom We sent before you: "Did We appoint some other gods besides the Most Affectionate to be worshipped?" [Surah 43, Verse 45] This verse again refers to the night of Me'raj and after the Namaaz in Masjidul Aqsa Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) was told to ask the Prophets before him; and one can only ask that person who is able to hear and to give a reply. Furthermore, this shows that the Blessed Prophets after their demise travel in the world and meet one another. They are therefore neither dead nor are they detained in their graves. [*Tafseer Noorul Irfaan, Tafseer Roohul Ma'aani*]

In another verse Allah Ta'ala states, "And do not say about those who are slain in the path of Allah as dead. Rather, they are alive, but you are unaware of it." [Surah 2, Verse 154] If Allah Ta'ala tells us not to call the Shuhadah dead, how then can anyone say that Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) is dead (Astaghfirullah!), when even the Shuhadah have received their Shahaadat through the Sadqa of Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam)? Furthermore, the Prophets are much more exalted than the Shuhadah, therefore if the Shuhadah are alive then undoubtedly the Prophets are alive. [*Fathul Baari Sharah Bukhari*]

Allah Ta'ala further states, "And those that have been slain in the path of Allah never think of them as dead; but they are alive with their Lord, from Whom they get their subsistence." [Surah 3, Verse 169] From this verse we learn that the bodies and spirits of the martyrs are both alive i.e. they are both physically and spiritually alive. It is for this reason that their bodies do not decay in the grave. Furthermore, the souls of martyrs journey through paradise in the form of green birds and they eat and drink whatever they desire. [*Tafseer Noorul Irfaan*] If the martyrs are alive and eat and drink whatever they desire, what then is the status of Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) who is the most exalted of all creation?

In another verse Allah Ta'ala states, "And we did not send you but as a Mercy for all worlds." [Surah 21, Verse 107] Allah Ta'ala refers to Himself as 'Lord of the worlds' and in this verse has called Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) 'Mercy unto the worlds'. This tells us that the mercy of Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) is complete and in its entirety. It includes everything and is for everything and for everyone. [*Tafseer Noorul Irfaan*] It is obvious that if Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) was sent as a mercy to all the worlds, then no doubt he has to be alive to provide us with that mercy because someone who is 'dead and mixed in the soil' cannot be a mercy to anyone. If a dead body is placed in front of you, it can neither cause you any benefit nor any harm. Therefore the Holy Qur'an again proves that Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) is alive.

Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) once said, "Recite Durood upon me in abundance on a Friday since it is a respected day. On that day the angels are present and whosoever sends Durood upon me, then his Durood is placed before me till the time when they have completed sending the Durood". Hazrat Abu Dardah (Radiallahu Ta'ala Anh) says that he asked Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam), "Ya Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam), will you even hear (the Durood) after your demise?" Our Beloved Aaqa (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) said, "Verily Almighty Allah has made it Haraam upon the earth to devour the bodies of the Ambiya (Alaihimus Salaam). Thus, all the Nabis of Allah are alive and they are given sustenance." [*Ibn Majah; Jaame Sagheer; Mishkaat Shareef*]

We learn from this Hadith Shareef that the Ambiya (Alaihimus Salaam) are alive and they have only been hidden from us. We cannot understand their position, similar to that of the angels that are alive and present but we cannot see them. Those whom Allah Ta'ala has blessed they can see them. Thus it has been confirmed that the Ambiya (Alaihimus Salaam) are alive. [*Umdatul Qaari Sharah Bukhari*]

Sayyiduna Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) once saw a Prophet (Alaihis Salaam) performing Hajj, calling out *Labbaik* and even performing Salaah. All the Prophets were present at Masjidul Aqsa on the night of Me'raj and they all performed Salaah in Jama'at with Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam). [*Zarqaani Alal Mawaahib*]

Hazrat Shaikh Abdul Haq Muhaddith Dehlwi (Radiallahu Ta'ala Anh) writes: "The Ambiya (Alaihimus Salaam) are alive and existing. For them is one death that has come only once and after that their souls are put back into their bodies and the life that they had on earth is given back to them." [*Takmeelul Imaan*]

It is only apt to quote here a couplet from a Naath Shareef written by A'la Hazrat Imam Ahle Sunnat Imam Ahmad Raza Khan (Radiallahu Ta'ala Anh), who instilled in us the love and respect of Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) that was possessed by the Blessed Sahaabah. This couplet summarizes all the proofs discussed above into two lines:

*Thu Zinda He Wallah Thu Zinda He Wallah
Mere Chashme Aalam Se Chup Jaane Waale*

By Allah, you are alive, By Allah, you are alive
But you are hidden from my limited vision

We can therefore see that there is no doubt that Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) and all the Ambiya are alive, both spiritually and physically. Anyone who says that Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) is dead and mixed with the soil (Astaghfirullah!) is denying what the Holy Qur'an and Hadith teaches us. Let us not associate with such corrupt and wretched people because the enemies of Allah Ta'ala and His Beloved Rasool (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) are no doubt our enemies.

May Allah Ta'ala grant us the Taufeeq to understand the true status of Rasoolullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) and to stay away from those hypocrites that claim to be Muslims but insult our Beloved Aaqa (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam), Ameen.