

# Isra and Miraaj - Night Journey - Lailat al-Miraj

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The Isra and Miraaj (الإسراء والمعراج) are the two parts of a Night Journey, the Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) took during a single night around the year 621 with the help of Angel Gabriel as both a physical and spiritual journey. A brief sketch of the story is in Surah **Al-Isra 017** as well as in Surah **An-Najam 053** of the Quraan, and other details come from the Sahi Hadeeth. In this journey, Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) traveled on the steed Buraq to "the farthest mosque (Masjid-al-Aqsa)" where he lead other prophets in prayer. He then ascends to seventh heaven (**SIDRA-TUL-MUNTAHA**) and then went to **QAAB-O-QOSAIN** and then returned back in the Miraaj journey where he spoke to Allah, who gave Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) instructions to take back to the faithful regarding the details of prayers. Allah enjoined **50** salaah/prayers on Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) and his followers which later reduced to **5** times a day **after repeatedly reminding by Prophet Moses** (Peace-Be-Upon-Him). **References:** (Sahih al-Bukhari, Vol. 5, p. 147; Sahih al-Bukhari, Vol. 6, p. 196; Sahih al-Bukhari, Vol. 1, p. 213; Sahih Muslim, Vol. 1, p. 101; Sahih Muslim, Vol. 1, p. 109; Sahih Muslim, Vol. 1, p. 112).

Glorified be He Who took His slave on a journey by night from Al-Masjid-al-Haram (Kabaa) to the Masjid-al-Aqsa (possibly Al-Masjid an-Nabawi), **the neighborhood whereof We have blessed**, in order that **We might show him of Our signs**. Verily, He is the All-Hearer, the All-Seer, (Al\_Quran\_017:001). More details are mentioned in Surah **An-Najam 053** as well.

We must understand that the **neighborhoods of these Masjids are blessed all the time**. If we re-analyze since the time of Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) till today only Masjids which are truly blessed and free from any violence looks like **Kabaa** (Al-Masjid-al-Haram) in Makkah al-Mukarram and **Al-Masjid an-Nabawi** (Masjid-al-Aqsa) in al-Madinah al-Munawwarah. Many civilizations came and governments toppled down several times after Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) till today but these Masjids were protected all the time, since Allah has named it **blessed neighborhood**. Muslim Scholars need to do more research on it and final announcement must come from Imaam Kabaa for Muslims Unity.

**Global Masjid** is only and only Al\_Masjid al-Haram (Kaaba) in Makkah al-Mukarram, Saudi Arabia, to perform Hajj and Umrah, uniting Global Muslim Ummah at one place, get the benefits from here, and see few signs of Allah, in addition to establishing regular five times prayers as well as additional prayers including Tahajjud Prayers according to local time. Remember, it is the first worshipping place and center of the guidance for the mankind.

**Local Masjid example** is Masjid al-Nabawi in Madinah al-Munawwarah, Saudi Arabia. It is a Role Model for all local Masjids around the world, since Rasool Allah (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) used this as a Role Model to perform many duties including following:

- 1> Trained Muslim Ummah which includes, children, adults (men and women). Trainings were superb in all disciplines including defense and proved that it was the best up-to-date institution in the whole world at the time of Rasool Allah (Peace-Be-Upon-Him).
- 2> Established the best Judicial System in the whole world at the time of Rasool Allah (Peace-Be-Upon-Him).
- 3> Established the best Community Centre to help the community.
- 4> It must have Modern Islaamic Library for children and adults (men and women).
- 5> It must have convertible hall, to be used during Friday Prayers, Eid Prayers, Gym for exercises/marshals-arts, Islaamic Marriage Ceremony and Multi-Faith / Multi-Sect Friendly Dialogues etc.
- 6> It must have economical Funeral Home.
- 7> All Masjids must need to be Germs Free. If someone has sickness which might spread, even like Flue or Cough, he/she must avoid going to Masjid till it is under control and not spreadable. Shoes/Sleepers must be kept outside the Prayers Hall to avoid Germs going inside. Even someone might have very allergic to Perfumes, Peanuts etc.

Challenges are a lot from around the globe. Now it is time for all of us to open our eyes and return back and reflect on the messages of Rasool Allah (Peace-Be-Upon-Him). Our Masjid must be fully equipped with the help of modern technologies to perform all activities which is according to the Quraan and Authentic Sunnah. Make sure it has easy access for physically disabled persons as well, e.g. wheel chairs access etc.

**Question:** Did Salaah/Prayers reduced from **50** times a day to **5** times a day on Isra and Miraaj?

There is no doubt that Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) went on Isra and Miraaj up to heaven (**SIDRA-TUL-MUNTAHA**) etc. and are truly according to the Quraan Surah **Al-Isra 017** & Surah **An-Najam 053** and

Authentic Hadeeth. Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) seen many signs there during this journey. However regarding Salah we need to re-analyze in detail.

**50** times Salaah/Prayers mean praying **two** times every **hour** without sleep. Allocating an average of **15** minutes to each **prayer** including **ablution/wazu** would mean spending **12.5** hours a day in Masjids or on Musaallah.

**Do simple math:** **50** times x **15** minutes = **750** minutes = **12.5** hours = **12** hours and **30** minutes, which means **NO** time for **Work/Jihaad** and **NO** time for cooking just Pray, eat **RAW** fruits/vegetables/grains/meat/fish etc. in **3.5** hours a day and sleep **8** hours since it is body requirements for general people.

**Calculation for Pray + Eat + Sleep** will be, **12.5 + 3.5 + 8 = 24** hours.

**One might raise question** that Allah who created human doesn't know that they cannot offer more than **5** times a day, BUT Prophet Musa (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) who is not alive at the time of Isra and Miraaj know human better than Allah, **Astaghfirullah, Astaghfirullah & Astaghfirullah** again. **A true Quraanic Muslim cannot believe that.** Allah's commandments do not change once revealed and Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) don't have authority to change it. **Remember: Allah's Words are FINAL.** As per Quraan Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) cannot make those people listen who have passed away which includes all human including Prophets and Messengers since the time of Adam till before him. **We are following Deen-e-Ibrahim which had 5 time Salaah/Prayers** since Allah commanded Prophet Ibrahim (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) and Prophet Ismail (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) to build Kabaa for Salaah/Prayers and Tawaf etc. Do little **sample test** on reducing **50** times to **5** times.

**Step-1>** Got **50** times Salaah per day **BUT** objected by Prophet Musa (Peace-Be-Upon-Him), so returned back to Allah

**Step-2>** Reduced to **49** times Salaah per day **BUT** objected by Prophet Musa (Peace-Be-Upon-Him), so returned back to Allah

**Step-3>** Reduced to **48** times Salaah per day **BUT** objected by Prophet Musa (Peace-Be-Upon-Him), so returned back to Allah

**Step-4>** Reduced to **47** times Salaah per day **BUT** objected by Prophet Musa (Peace-Be-Upon-Him), so returned back to Allah

**Step-5>** Reduced to **45** times Salaah per day **BUT** objected by Prophet Musa (Peace-Be-Upon-Him), so returned back to Allah

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**Step-46>** **Finally** it is reduced to **5** times Salaah/Prayers per day **BUT** objected by Prophet Musa (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) again, but Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) felt ashamed to returned back to Allah for further reduction to **3** times Salaah/Prayers per day, so we got **5** times Salaah/Prayers per day.

**Here in this sample test one might raise question:** Was it a **fun/joke** between Allah and Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him)? Was Prophet Musa (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) had more knowledge than Allah even in his Grave for several thousand years after his death? What we want to teach Muslim Ummah with this type of misconceptions?

**Analyzes in the light of the Quraan (True Protected Book of Guidance for Mankind till the Day of Judgment):**

First point to be noted that "The command is for none but Allah", (Ref: Al\_Quraan\_018:026).

Second point to be noted that "Allah's Sunnah does not change", (Ref: Al\_Quraan\_017.077, 33.38, 033.062, 035.043, 048.023).

Third point to be noted that "Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) didn't have any authority to change the Quraan", (Al\_Quraan\_010.015-016).

Fourth point to be noted that "Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) didn't have right make Halal to Haram etc.", (Ref: Al\_Quraan\_066.001-002).

Fifth point to be noted that "Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) cannot make the dead to hear", (Ref: Al\_Quraan\_030.052).

Sixth point to be noted that "Allah commanded us to follow the religion of Ibrahim", (Ref: Al\_Quraan\_003.095).

Above are enough proof that the Salaah/Prayers was not reduced from **50** times a day to **5** times a day on Isra and Miraaj, rather it was **5** times a day from the time of Prophet Ibrahim (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) and it will be till the Day of Judgment.

**Five Times Salaah/Prayers as well as Salaah method is in the Quraan:** We must have to follow Salaah Method from Imaam Kabaa who leads prayers standing at true Muqaam-e-Ibrahim from the time of Prophet Ibrahim (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) till the Day of Judgment and that method is also recorded in the True Authentic Hadeeth and all other methods mentioned in Hadeeth could be weak and not authentic. For more detail on "Five Times Salaat/Prayers in Quraan" please visit:

[http://www.global-right-path.com/Ummah-Reformer/MR\\_Salaat\\_Five\\_Times\\_in\\_Quraan.htm](http://www.global-right-path.com/Ummah-Reformer/MR_Salaat_Five_Times_in_Quraan.htm)

**Rewards of Offering Salaah/Prayers at any Masjids are equal regardless of places:** There is no doubt that there is no place on earth which is precious than Masjid al-Haram the Great Mosque of Mecca which has Kaaba inside. BUT it does not mean Rewards on offering Salaah/Prayers in the Great Mosque of Mecca is **100,000** greater than offering at other Masjids, since it is totally unjust with other fellow Muslims, rather Allah told in the Quraan to all Muslims that where ever they are they need to face towards Kaaba during Salaah, which means they all will get equal Rewards for offering Salaah/Prayers in any Masjid without any discrimination. Otherwise **1.6** billion of Muslims will have to migrate and live closed to Kaaba to offer all Salaah/Prayers inside Kabaa and stop earning to feed family, give charity etc., but it is practically not possible and Allah is not unjust. There is not a single verse in the Quraan about unjust by Allah. **From any angle you will not find Allah unjust, rather he is True Just for all regardless of any discrimination.**

**Face Kaaba** also means take Salaat/Prayers from the standing-place of Ibrahim, since it is our guide for Salaat/Prayers etc. The standing-place of Ibrahim (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) is that where Imaam Kabah stands to lead the prayers and that is since the time of Prophet Ibrahim (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) till the Day of Judgment and you will not find any change in the Prayers Method in any of the Imaam Kabah since the time of Prophet Ibrahim (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) till the Day of Judgment, (Ref: Al\_Quraan\_002: 125). Allah's Sunnah never changes, (Ref: Al\_Quraan\_033:063, 035:043). For more detail on "**Global Worshipping Method**" please visit:

[http://www.global-right-path.com/Ummah-Reformer/MR\\_Global\\_Worshipping\\_Method.htm](http://www.global-right-path.com/Ummah-Reformer/MR_Global_Worshipping_Method.htm)

**Global Islaamic Calendar MUST Follow Makkah Islaamic Calendar for Unity of Ummah** and celebrate Hajj, Ramadaan, Eid and all other months together as well. For more detail please visit:

[http://www.global-right-path.com/Ummah-Reformer/MR\\_Makkah\\_Islaamic\\_Calendar.htm](http://www.global-right-path.com/Ummah-Reformer/MR_Makkah_Islaamic_Calendar.htm)

There is no doubt that the Hadeeth, which were compiled **250** years after Rasool Allah (Peace-Be-Upon-Him). Many Muslims still in the beginning of 21<sup>st</sup> century believe that they are true explanation of the Quraan and we cannot live without Hadeeth in addition to the Quraan, since Allah clearly says to obey Allah and His Messenger (Peace-Be-Upon-Him), (Ref: Al\_Quraan\_004:059, 005:092). **However, the protected document (the Quraan) cannot be explained by unprotected material (including Hadeeth).** When the companions were curious of some jurisprudence related issues, Allah has revealed that He will explain those verses by other verses.

Ali (RA) narrated, Prophet Muhammad (Peace-Be-Upon-Him) said, there is **NO DOUBT** that, there will be Hadeeths coming after me, claiming that I have said those. So you **MUST** test each and every Hadeeth from the **QURAAAN**. If it is really according to the Quraan **ONLY** then you **ACCEPT** it otherwise reject it, (Sanan Dar Qatni, Vol-2, Book – Imrani Abee Musa, Matba Farooqi – 513).

There is **NO** Guarantee that if the Authentic Chain of narrations are correct, then the Hadeeth is Authentic, even if it contradicts the Basic Principles of the Quraan. By giving preference to the Hadeeth over the Quraan may put you in the category of Liar to the Quraan, which is an Extremely Dangerous Shirk, so **Be Care Full**.

**And We have revealed the Book to you which has clear explanation of everything, and a guidance, mercy and good news for those who submit,** (Al\_Quraan\_016:089).

**None argue concerning the revelations (Ayaat) of Allah BUT those who Disbelieves ...,** (Al\_Quraan\_040.004).

**Non-Practice Muslims are like ASS/Donkey carrying books,** (Ref: Al\_Quraan\_062.005).

**Hypocrites read the Quran but practice something else.**

**IF QURAAAN CANNOT CONVINC YOU NOTHING WILL**

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