

## قَصَصُ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ

### STORIES OF THE PROPHETS

#### Lesson 4 - آدم عليه السلام part 2

ماذا كانت قصة إغواء إبليس لآدم

**What was the story of Satan's temptation of Adam?**

وقد خلقه الله لخلافة الأرض ؟

**Did God create him as a successor of the earth?**

#### Surah Albaqara A 29 to 39

هُوَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ لَكُمْ مَّا فِي الْأَرْضِ جَمِيعًا ثُمَّ أَسْتَوَىٰ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ فَسَوَّاهُنَّ سَبْعَ سَمَوَاتٍ وَهُوَ  
بِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ عَلِيمٌ (٢٩)

**(2:29) It is He Who created for you all that is on earth and then turned above and fashioned it into seven heavens.<sup>34</sup> He knows all things.<sup>35</sup>**

وَإِذْ قَالَ رَبُّكَ لِلْمَلٰٓئِكَةِ إِنِّي جَاعِلٌ فِي الْأَرْضِ خَلِيفَةً قَالُوا أَتَجْعَلُ فِيهَا مَنْ يُفْسِدُ فِيهَا وَيَسْفِكُ  
الدِّمَآءَ وَنَحْنُ نُسَبِّحُ بِحَمْدِكَ وَنُقَدِّسُ لَكَ قَالَ إِنِّي أَعْلَمُ مَا لَا تَعْلَمُونَ (٣٠)

(2:30) Just think when your Lord said to the angels: “Lo! I am about to place a vicegerent (a deputy of a Ruler) on earth,” they said: “Will You place on it one who will spread mischief and shed blood while we celebrate Your glory and extol Your holiness?” He said: “Surely I know what you do not know.”

Definition  
of Khalifah

→ Successor/ Vicegerent (a person exercising delegated power on behalf of a Ruler.) A person who is given some rulings and he conveys the message of his Ruler to mankind and makes sure it gets followed.

## Ayats in Quran where Man is mentioned as a Khalifah on earth

### Surah Sa'd A 26

يَا دَاوُدُ إِنَّا جَعَلْنَاكَ خَلِيفَةً فِي الْأَرْضِ فَاحْكُم بَيْنَ النَّاسِ بِالْحَقِّ وَلَا تَتَّبِعِ الْهَوَىٰ فَيُضِلَّكَ عَنْ سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ ۚ

(38:26) (We said to him): “O David, We have appointed you vicegerent on earth. Therefore, rule among people with justice and do not follow (your) desire lest it should lead you astray from Allah's Path.

### and Surah Noor A 55

وَعَدَ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنْكُمْ وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ لَيَسْتَخْلِفَنَّهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَمَا اسْتَخْلَفَ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ

(24:55) Allah has promised those of you who believe and do righteous deeds that He will surely bestow power on them in the land even as He bestowed power on those that preceded them

What is Imaan (Belief) and Amal-e-Sualeh (Righteous deeds).

Muaaz R. A says :  
there are 4  
necessary aspects  
of Amal-e Sualeh

1. Knowledge - Ilm
2. Intention - Niyah
3. Patience - Sabr
4. Sincerity - Ikhlas

وَعَلَّمَ آدَمَ الْأَسْمَاءَ كُلَّهَا ثُمَّ عَرَضَهُمْ عَلَى الْمَلَائِكَةِ فَقَالَ أَنْبِئُونِي بِأَسْمَاءِ هَٰؤُلَاءِ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ صَادِقِينَ (٣١)

**(2:31) Then Allah taught Adam the names of all things and presented them to the angels and said: “If you are right (that the appointment of a vicegerent will cause mischief) then tell Me the names of these things.”**

The nature of man's knowledge is such that he acquires information of different things through their names. Allah taught Adam the names of all things on the earth and heavens and names of all skills and techniques. and languages too.

**Lesson learnt** – Seek Knowledge and learn skills required for this world and the hereafter. Seek Knowledge of the world and of Religion and learn the Names of Allah and HIS qualities. Learn Arabic and different languages.

قَالُوا سُبْحَانَكَ لَا عِلْمَ لَنَا إِلَّا مَا عَلَّمْتَنَا إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْعَلِيمُ الْحَكِيمُ (٣٢)

**(2:32) They said. “Glory to You! We have no knowledge except what You taught us. You, only You, are All-Knowing, All-Wise.”**

When asked about A 32 and what angels were taught **Imaam Shafi** said, I am not aware of what Allah taught to the Angels. When questioned do you not feel ashamed to say you do not have knowledge, he said even the angels were not ashamed to say they do not know.

**Utbah Bin Muslim** says that he spent 34 months with **Abdullah Bin Umar R. A** and most of the times when he was asked about matters he would say he is not aware of them.

When Someone questioned **Imaam Shafi** about some matter he kept quiet. When asked why don't you speak, he said first let me find out if speaking on this matter is better or keeping quiet is better.

**Ibn e Abi Laila** says he met more than 120 **companions** and whenever he asked a question to one of them he would direct me to other sahaba that he is more knowledgeable, and he in turn to other and so on till I would come back to the first person I asked.

**Lesson learnt** – Learn to be quiet and say I do not have knowledge of it. Even Scholars did not speak when they were not sure.

قَالَ يٰٓآدَمُ اٰنۡبِئْهُمۡ بِاَسۡمَآئِهِمۡ فَلَمَّۤ اٰنۡبَاَهُمۡ بِاَسۡمَآئِهِمۡ قَالَ اَلَمۡ اَقُلۡ لَّكُمۡ اِنۡنِىۡ اَعۡلَمُ غَیۡبِ السَّمٰوٰتِ وَالۡاَرۡضِ وَاَعۡلَمُ مَا تُبۡدُوۡنَ وَمَا كُنۡتُمۡ تَكۡتُمُوۡنَ (٣٣)

**(2:33) Then Allah said to Adam: “Tell them the names of these things.” And when he had told them the names of all things, Allah said: “Did I not say to you that I know everything about the heavens and the earth which are beyond your range of knowledge and I know all that you disclose and also all that you hide?”**

This ayat shows that Allah had not only bestowed some authority upon man, but had also endowed him with knowledge. It shows that Man is the best of the creations and Allah says that Prophets are better than the Angels and this implies that a pious person is also better.

Allah says HE knows everything of the heavens and earth. There are 5 keys of Ghaib and only Allah knows them best.

وَإِذْ قُلْنَا لِلْمَلَائِكَةِ اسْجُدُوا لِآدَمَ فَسَجَدُوا إِلَّا إِبْلِيسَ أَبَىٰ وَاسْتَكْبَرَ وَكَانَ مِنَ الْكَافِرِينَ (٣٤)

**(2:34) And when We ordered the angels: “Prostrate yourselves before Adam,” all of them fell prostrate, except Iblis. He refused, and gloried in his arrogance and became one of the defiers.**

This Ayat shows importance of man but at the same time it is to be understood that the prostration (Sajda) was a Prostration of Honour (sajda T’azeemi) and not Prostration of worship( sajda Abudiyat). In fact, it was a prostration to the order of Allah. All angels prostrated to Allahs order, but Iblis defied HIS order.

<b>Four Pillars of Kufr Denial</b>	Al Kibr Pride/ Arrogance	Al Hasad Jealousy	Al Ghadab Anger	Al Shahwat Temptations
	It prevents from surrendering or submitting	It prevents from accepting guidance	It prevents from being Just (prevents justice)	It prevents from Ibadah/ worship.

**Lesson learnt** – Prostrate to the orders of Allah. Refrain from Kufr and submit to Allah’s will and rulings.

وَقُلْنَا يٰٓآدَمُ اَسْكُنْ اَنْتَ وَزَوْجُكَ الْجَنَّةَ وَكُلَا مِنْهَا رَغَدًا حَيْثُ شِئْتُمَا وَلَا تَقْرَبَا هٰذِهِ الشَّجَرَةَ فَتَكُونَا مِنَ الظَّالِمِيْنَ (۳۵)

**(2:35) And We said: “O Adam, live in the Garden, you and your wife, and eat abundantly of whatever you wish but do not approach this tree or else you will be counted among the wrong-doers.”**

This Ayat shows that before man was sent to earth , he was stationed in the best place, Paradise. Was allowed to eat whatever and from wherever he wants and was tested with just one Tree. What Allah wanted to impress on man was that the only place that befits man's station is Paradise and if he disobeys Him he will be deprived of the blessings of Allah.

فَاَزَلَّهُمَا الشَّيْطٰنُ عَنْهَا فَاَخْرَجَهُمَا مِمَّا كَانَا فِيْهِ وَقُلْنَا اهْبِطُوْا بَعْضُكُمْ لِبَعْضٍ عَدُوٌّ وَلَكُمْ فِى الْاَرْضِ مُسْتَقَرٌّ وَمَتَلَعٌ اِلٰى حِيْنَ (۳۶)

**(2:36) But Satan caused both of them to deflect from obeying Our command by tempting them to the tree and brought them out of the state they were in, and We said: “Get down all of you; henceforth, each of you is an enemy of the other, and on earth you shall have your abode and your livelihood for an appointed time.”**

Shaitan is the enemy of man, and vice versa. Shaitan tries to drive man off the course of obedience to God and leads him to punishment. Adam A.S and Bibi Hawwa fell to Shaitan’s temptations because of their wish to stay in Heaven and seek eternity.

**Lesson learnt** – Do not give in to temptations of Shaitan to achieve the worldly benefits.

Do not tread towards the boundary of evils and sins.

فَتَلَقَّى آدَمُ مِنْ رَبِّهِ كَلِمَاتٍ فَتَابَ عَلَيْهِ إِنَّهُ هُوَ التَّوَّابُ الرَّحِيمُ (٣٧)

**(2:37) Thereupon Adam learned from his Lord some words and repented and his Lord accepted his repentance for He is Much-Relenting, Most Compassionate.**

This is all Allah's Hikmah, first to test human and then send him down and to teach him how to repent if he errs.

Tawbah, on the part of man, signifies that he has given up his attitude of disobedience and has returned to submission and obedience to Allah.

**This is the characteristic of prophets to repent and return to Allah.**

قُلْنَا اهْبِطُوا مِنْهَا جَمِيعًا فَإِمَّا يَأْتِيَنَّكُمْ مِنِّي هُدًى فَمَنْ تَبَعَ هُدَايَ فَلَا خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزَنُونَ (٣٨)

**(2:38) We said: "Get down from here, all of you, and guidance shall come to you from Me: then, whoever will follow My guidance need have no fear, nor shall they grieve.**

Allah not only accepted Adam's repentance but also honoured him by endowing him with prophethood so that he might be able to direct his children correctly. The earth was not created as a place of punishment for man. On the contrary, man was put on earth to serve as God's vicegerent there.

وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا وَكَذَّبُوا بِآيَاتِنَا أُولَٰئِكَ أَصْحَابُ النَّارِ هُمْ فِيهَا خَالِدُونَ (٣٩)

**(2:39) But those who refuse to accept this (guidance) and reject Our Signs as false are destined for the Fire where they shall abide for ever."**

Man as a Servant and Khalifa of Allah, is required to follow the way of life prescribed by his Lord. Whoever disobeys then will be punished.

**Lesson learnt** – Adopt the Characteristics of the Prophets, seek repentance and ALWAYS OBEY ALLAH.