MUHAMMAD ﷺ
SEAL OF THE PROPHETS

Messenger of Allah



Prophets as Messengers of Allah

The prophet's task is to convey the message of Allah and provide a living example for people to follow; they are not responsible for converting people or compelling them in any way. Ultimately Allah will only hold them responsible for conveying the message.



"And obey Allah and obey the Messenger. But if you turn away, then Our Messenger is responsible only for the clear conveying of the Message." (64:13)

"Say, 'Obey Allah, and obey the Messenger.' But if you turn away, then upon him is his burden, and upon you is your burden. And if you obey him, you will be rightly guided. And the messenger is not responsible but for the plain delivery of the Message." (24:55)

"Admonish, therefore, for thou art but an admonisher; Thou hast no authority to compel them." (88:22-23)

"Haply thou wilt grieve thyself to death because they believe not" (26:4)

"Thou art only a Warner." (35:24)

"..Be my witness, O Allah, that I have conveyed your message to your people." (Farewell sermon of the Holy Prophet Muhammad)

All messengers are equal



One of the most universal teachings of Islam is the classification of all Messengers as equal as far as the belief in Messengers is considered. Followers are refrained from making any distinction in their belief in Messengers.

"This Messenger of Ours believes in that which has been revealed to him from his Lord, and so do the believers: all of them believe in Allah, and in His angels, and in His Books, and in His Messengers, saying, 'We make no distinction between any of His Messengers..." (2:286)

Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) went beyond the matter of belief only and asked his followers on several occasions not to compare him with other prophets or to try to proof his superiority over other prophets.

"One should not say that I am better than Jonah (i.e. Yunus) bin Matta." (Bukhari)

"Don't give superiority to any prophet amongst Allah's Prophets" (Bukhari)

"I am the nearest of all the people to the son of Mary, and all the prophets are paternal brothers..." (Bukhari)

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