

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَنِ الرَّجِيمِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ كَمَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ وَالصَّلَاةُ وَالسَّلَامُ عَلَى سَيِّدِ الْعَالَمِينَ كَمَا يُحِبُّ وَيُرِضِّي بَنْ يُصْلِي عَلَيْهِ

Allah *azza wajal*, in Whose Name we begin, The Most Compassionate,

The Most Merciful

All Praise is due to Allah *azza wajal*, Countless Peace and Blessings be upon

His Beloved Messenger *Sallal Laahu 'Alayhi Wasallam*

Nabi Moosa kills a Man

We will all know that Nabi Moosa *Alayhis Salaam* grew up in the Palace of Pharaoh. However, as he grew into a young man, he was unhappy with the behaviour of Pharaoh and his community, who were called Qibti and were against the people of the Bani Israeel. Nabi Moosa *Alayhis Salaam* began to object about this type of attitude and because of this Pharaoh and his people became his enemies.

He decided to stay in seclusion firstly to protect himself against these people and secondly so that he could also secretly protect his people.

One midday, he secretly entered the town and began to walk around. Due to the immense heat most people were sleeping during that part of the day. As he walked around, he saw an argument which was taking place between a Qibti and one of his people. When the person from the Bani Israel saw Nabi Moosa *Alayhis Salaam*, he asked him for help. Nabi Moosa *Alayhis Salaam*, in a fit of anger, then killed this Qibti. He

also felt a deep sense of regret for killing this person and sought pardon from *Allah azza wajal*.

The Qibtis then informed Pharaoh of what had happened and they started to look for Nabi Moosa *Alayhis Salaam* and any witness in this regard. At night, Nabi Moosa *Alayhis Salaam* stayed hidden because people were looking for him. The next day, when Nabi Moosa *Alayhis Salaam* walked around, he saw the same Israeli arguing with another Qibti. He then severely reprimanded this person for bringing trouble not only to himself but to those who came to his assistance.

Be that as it may, he still helped this person and while this was going on, this same Israeli began to scream, “O Moosa! Do you wish to kill me as you killed a person yesterday. If seems like you do not wish for peace and security?”

At that moment, a person came running and informed Nabi Moosa *Alayhis Salaam* that the Qibtis were already planning to kill him and that he should immediately leave the city. This person told Nabi Moosa *Alayhis Salaam* that he was also one his well-wishers.

Nabi Moosa *Alayhis Salaam* then left this city and migrated to a place called Madyan. There he met Nabi Shu'aib *Alayhis Salaam* and eventually married his daughter, Bibi Safurah *Radi Allahu 'Anhu*.

Interestingly, the young man who had warned Nabi Moosa *Alayhis Salaam* about the secret plot to kill him was a person named Hazqeel or Sham'un or Sam'an. He was also the cousin of Pharaoh. He had also brought Imaan on Nabi Moosa *Alayhis Salaam* prior to this. (Tafseer Saawi 3/177)

This incident also educates us about the great trials and tests that the Prophets had to endure when spreading the message of truth. However, they never allowed anything to disrupt their steadfastness and firmness. As for their enemies, all of them died a most ignoble death.