

The Prophetic Tree

Unifying Divine Messages in Islam

In Islam, it's believed that God sent a succession of prophets to guide humanity, each delivering a message that built upon the previous ones, much like branches stemming from the same tree. This message is understood to be one of monotheism and submission to the will of God, which in Arabic is termed "Islam."

The Quran states that prophets were sent to every nation with the message to worship God alone and to lead moral lives. These prophets include figures shared with Judaism and Christianity, such as Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, and Jesus, peace be upon them all. In Islam, they are all considered part of the same prophetic tradition, each contributing to the divine message and preparing the way for the next.

The books they brought, such as the Torah, Psalms, Gospel, and finally the Quran, are viewed as coming from the same divine source, each appropriate for its time and context.

The relationship between the prophets is like a strong, deep-rooted tree. The roots are the belief in the oneness of God, and the trunk is the uniform message of worship and moral rectitude. The branches are the different prophets and their books, extending out to provide guidance and shade to the people.

The final branch and seal of the prophets in Islam is Muhammad, peace be upon him, with the Quran as the final testament, complementing and completing the divine message sent to humanity.

