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The Revelation of Quran

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THE BEGINNING OF NUZUOL E QURAN

- ❖ **Night of Qadr Ramadhan** ul Mubarak 40th Aam ul Feel, the year of Elephant, at Hira **Sunni**
- ❖ **27th of Rajab** 40th Aam ul Feel- at Hira **Shia**

Imam Sadiq and Kazim AS: the Prophethood of our Prophet was declared on 27th of Rajab, hence fasting on this day brings the Sawab of 60 months of fasting (Wasail us shia v.2 p. 330)



TWO TYPES OF DESCENT

- Altogether/ Daf'ii - **Inzaal** (Baqarah, Dukhan, Qadr)
- Gradual/ Tadriji- **Tanzeel** (several verses of Quran)

Allama Tabatabai: The above idea is supported by verses like:

'and do not make haste with the Quran before its revelation is made complete to you' (Taha:114)

This verse proves that complete Quran was sent to Prophet Muhammad (saww) altogether (**Inzaal**), before it descended gradually within 23 years of timescale. (*Al-Mizaan v.2 p18*).

That is why the Prophet (saww) was able to recite before the revelation.



FIRST WAHY- A COMPARATIVE STUDY

- **Saheeh Bukhari**

[http://library.islamweb.net/newlibrary/display_book.php?bk_no=0
&ID=2&idfrom=1&idto=6&bookid=0&startno=2](http://library.islamweb.net/newlibrary/display_book.php?bk_no=0&ID=2&idfrom=1&idto=6&bookid=0&startno=2)

- **Nahjul Balaghah**

<http://www.al-islam.org/nahjul-balagha-part-1-sermons/sermon-192-praise-be-allah-who-wears-apparel-honour-and-dignity%E2%80%A6>



Q & A

“When the revelation descended on the Prophet of Allah - peace and blessing of Allah be upon him and his descendants - I heard the moan of Satan. I said, "O Prophet of Allah, what is this moan?" and he replied, "This is Satan who has lost all hope of being worshipped. O Ali, you see all that I see and you hear all that I hear, except that you are not a Prophet, but you are a vicegerent and you are surely on (the path of) virtue.” *Maula Ali AS, Nahjul Balaghah (sermon 192)*

Q. Implying from the literal meaning of **Wahy** i.e. hidden and swift message, how Imam Ali (as) was able to listen to it?

A. Imam Ali and other Ahlulbayt (as) are not different from Prophet Muhammad (saww). The only difference between them is, as mentioned in the quoted sentence, that Hazrat Muhammad (saww) is the Prophet and Ahlulbayt (as) are his vicegerents.

Some other evidences: *Aayat of Mubahala (Imam Ali has been honored as the Nafs of Nabi (saww). Me and Ali are from one light Noor (Hadith)*

However, as discussed in the previous session due to the different task, Ahlulbayt (as) did not need to receive fresh revelation.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF GRADUAL NUZOOOL-TANZEEL

- **Strengthening the Heart** (Furqan:25: 32)
- **Easy to learn and reflect** (Isra:17: 106)
- **Safety from distortion**
- **According to circumstances**
- **Response to questions**



Q & A

Q. The difference between direct and indirect Wahy upon Prophet Muhammad (saww)

A. In terms of credibility they are alike, so for us there is no difference in the stated types of Wahy. However, receiving the direct Wahy, as reported by history, was harder for Prophet Muhammad (saww) because in direct Wahy Allah (st) manifested Himself for the Messenger (saww). And whenever Muhamma and Aali Muhammad (as) came in direct communication with Allah (st) such as at the times of prayers or recitations of Quran, due to their immense knowledge of Allah's greatness and awe they got entirely engrossed in His greatness, as a result usually got pale and even sometimes motionless.



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Q. why unlike Angels Allah (st) did not communicate with all human beings?

A. Unlike other religions, Islam explicitly considers human being the masterpiece of the creation and Quran does announce that no creatures including angels are greater than human being. However, due to the physical nature and its related restrictions of human being, Allah (st) chose angels to deliver the Divine messages to the human beings. This task of angels, by no means, proves their supremacy over the true and devout servants of Allah (st).

The beginning of the human race and the prostration of the angels is an evident proof of the stated fact.



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