

The prophets — a chain of one message

From Nuh to Muhammad ﷺ the message never changed. Only the law, the language and the people did.



★ One message, every messenger

أَنَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنَا فَاعْبُدُونِ

“We sent no messenger before you except that We revealed to him: there is no deity except Me, so worship Me.”

Qur'an 21:25

★ To every nation

وَلَقَدْ بَعَثْنَا فِي كُلِّ أُمَّةٍ رَسُولًا أَنِ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُوا الطَّاغُوتَ

“We certainly sent into every nation a messenger: worship Allah, and avoid false gods.” No people was left without warning.

Qur'an 16:36

★ Men, and only men

The messengers before him “ate food and walked in the markets.” They were given revelation, never divinity.

Qur'an 25:20

★ Named in the Qur'an

Nuh, Ibrahim, Ishaq, Ya'qub, Yusuf, Musa, Harun, Dawud, Sulayman, Ayyub, Zakariyya, Yahya, 'Isa, Ilyas, Isma'il, al-Yasa', Yunus, Lut.

Qur'an 6:83-86 · 4:163

★ The covenant of religion

Allah ordained the same religion for Nuh, Ibrahim, Musa, 'Isa and Muhammad ﷺ. establish it, and do not divide over it.

Qur'an 42:13

★ No picking and choosing

لَا نُفَرِّقُ بَيْنَ أَحَدٍ مِنْ رُسُلِهِ

“We make no distinction between any of His messengers.” Accepting some and rejecting others is not belief at all.

Qur'an 2:285 · 2:136

★ Their task was to deliver

“O Messenger, announce what has been revealed to you from your Lord — if you do not, you have not conveyed His message.”

Qur'an 5:67

★ The seal

وَلَكِنْ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ وَخَاتَمَ النَّبِيِّينَ

Muhammad is “the Messenger of Allah and the last of the prophets,” sent as a mercy to the worlds. No prophet comes after him ﷺ.

Qur'an 33:40 · 21:107

★ Which leaves the following to us

“He who obeys the Messenger has obeyed Allah.” The chain of prophecy is closed; the chain of obedience is not.

Qur'an 4:80 · 3:31