

Concept of Prophecy Concerning Immaculacy between Quran and Bible

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Abstract

During the study Bible, we find a number of allegations accused on Prophets and Allah's apostle and has observed that there is no difference between Prophet and layman. According to Bible an apostle can commit a sin of every kind which a layman can do. On the other hand Quran describes regarding Prophet an elevated, grand, good and excellent character possess that the other may not have. It is from an analytical study of the Bible and Quran we bitterly feel the comparison must be done between the description of Bible and Quran and let the wisdom of the readers to draw the conclusion. According to Bible there is no concept of immaculacy in Prophets, whereas Quran clearly depicts the purity of Prophets. There is not only Muhammad but also all Allah's apostles are immaculate. They are far away from sins, vices, and wrong deeds. In Bible; we find many Prophets involves in various deadly sins like Polytheism, rape, backbiting, murder, drinking, theft, dodged, fraud, cheating, corruption, It is very regret to say that if the prophets are involves in such deadly sins which destroy the beauty of society then who would flourished the society and make sure the community form the wrong deeds. Bible imposes many accuses on Prophet as Moses, Joseph, Loo, Noah, Jacob, Aaroon, David, Solomon, etc.

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Introduction

In deed Prophets are innocent and beyond from mistakes and sins. There is difference between mistake and sin. Every sin is mistake but every mistake is not sin. It is great blessing of Allah Almighty that he had pardoned all Kind of obliquity and erroneously. Generally such kind of errors and fiascos are occurred by oscillation or negligence. Hence oscillation is controllable that is why these are culpable Allah Almighty make learnt a pray to rescue from culpa/grappling.

ربنا لا تؤاخذنا إن نسينا أو أخطأنا ربنا ولا تحمل علينا إصرا كما حملته على الذين من قبلنا ربنا ولا تحملنا ما لا طاقة لنا به واعف عنا واغفر لنا وارحمنا أنت مولانا فانصرنا على القوم الكافرين¹

Allah tasketh not a soul beyond its scope. For it (is only) that which it hath earned, and against it (only) that which it hath deserved. Our Lord! Condemn us not if we forget, or miss the mark! Our Lord! Lay not on us such a burden as thou didst lay on those before us! Our Lord! Impose not on us that which we have not the strength to bear! Pardon us, absolve us and have mercy on us, Thou, our Protector, and give us victory over the disbelieving folk.

There is no culpa on mistake and errors by Allah. So far as concern to crime, sin and evil, a prophet does not Grable around them. If a prophet committed sin or evil either big or small than Allah had not commands to obey them absolutely. It is not worthy for a prophet to

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inflict vices because he may not instruct and guide the people completely. He may not reform the people. It is essentially for a reformer, to must be pious, neat and clean from absurdities of life.

Actually the basic purpose of a prophet's descending is to refine the people and guide them to the right path. If a prophet already possess such sins in his personality nobody follow him absolutely layman make pretend, our prophets have already such sins what is our fault? Allah Almighty ever not commands for sins. Therefore he had commanded the people absolutely and unconditionally to follow the prophets. He had declared the allegiance of a prophet is his own allegiance. We beware/ascertain through this, that prophets are much away from sins, opprobriousness and pretermission. All these things make preach suspicious.

So the People who have not sense may not involve in fallacious or aberration. For instance there is a news, paradise is made for prayerful such news has close relation with preach. It shows that prophets are beyond from forgetfulness. However forgetfulness is possible in administration and in prayers, and in acting upon on common affairs of Deen. God's common dings to maintain or to guides human beings in social affairs.

For instance; One day the Holy prophet led a prayer of four Rakat and he forget the 1st sitting after second rakat.

عن عبد الله بن بحنه صلى لنا رسول الله ﷺ ركعتين من بعض الصلوة ثم قام يجلس فقام الناس معه فلما قضا صلاته ونظرنا تسلمه كبر قبل التسلم فسجد سجدتين وهو جالس ثم سلم -²

It is narrated Abdullah bin Buhaina; Allah's Apostle once led us in prayer and offered two rakat and stand (for third Rakat) without sitting (after the second rakat) the people also got up with him and when he was about to finish his prayers, we waited for him to finish the prayer with Taslim but he said takbir before Taslim and performed two bows while sitting and then finished the prayer with Taslim.

Example:- Narrated Abu Huraira the Prophet (P.B.U.H) led us Asar prayers or the Zuhr prayer and finished it with Taslim. A companion of the holy prophet named Dhul-Yadain said to him. O Allah's Apostle, has the prayer reduced? The prophet asked the companions in the affirmation So Allah's Apostle offered two more Rakat and then performed two prostrations.

ان رسول الله ﷺ الفرف اثنتين فقال له ذواليدين اقصر الصلاة ام نسيت يا رسول الله ﷺ اصدق يا ذواليدين فقال لنا س نعم فقام رسول الله ﷺ فصلى اثنتين آخريين ثم صلى ثم كبر فسجد مثل سجودا-³

One day Allah's Apostle denied to eat honey. Allah Almighty send a revelation.

يا أيها النبي لم تحرم ما أحل الله لك تبتغي مرضات أزواجك والله غفور رحيم⁴

O Prophet! Why bannest thou that which Allah hath made lawful for thee, seeking to please thy wives? And Allah is Forgiving, Merciful.

There are a few examples regarding forgetfulness. Actually Allah Almighty has a purpose behind this forgetfulness which is to trained the people and instruct the in their pretermission. What they have to do in their forgetfulness. Sometimes in pretermission Allah Almighty warns his prophets not to slip from right path so that their practical life would be an example for common people. And they surly confess that their religion perfect practically and visibly.

Prophets have great reverence and high standard as compare to layman in society. So that Allah almighty warns them on their little mistake and omission or a little bit diversion. As

Adam was warned, not to eat fruit of a forbidden tree which is connoted a disobeyed as Allah says in Quran.

وعصى آدم ربه فغوى⁵

And Adam disobeyed his Lord, so went astray.

At another place this erred is stated place this erred is stated fiasco.

ولقد عهدنا إلى آدم من قبل فنسي ولم نجد له عزما⁶

And verily we made a covenant of old with Adam, but he forgot, and we found no constancy in him. So every prophet and apostle of Allah is immaculate. They did not garble near any sin either small or big. If they took any wrong decision in administration or in practice life, or in judicial affairs, Allah Almighty at once guide them and bless over them as Hazrat David was timely guided and Aaron was also instructed directly. And Muhammad (P.B.U.H) in the case of honey describe in Surah Tahreem in Para 28 and in case of Abdullah ibin Maktoom describe in Para 30 Surah Abasa. Same is the case with Zakria (P.B.U.H) But when common people bevue they are pardoned and it is not necessary to be informed by Allah Almighty. But when a layman commits a blunder or a sin he might capture as in accidental murder the confidential amount is essentially and penance is necessary to give. It is not verified by ecclesiastically that the common people may have not great reverence in society & can't not be immaculate except prophets or messenger and they are not lessoned to be grubby in society for example. If we say that Abu Bakar is not immaculate, because neologies mistake is not sin there is no culpa at pretermission. It is essentially for a prophet to be immaculate because prophet acquires revelation from Allah and deliver to people.

It is not proved by Quran that every human individually immaculate. There are three source of acquiring knowledge.

- 1) Five Senses
- 2) Wisdom
- 3) Revelation

There are chances of error in first and 2nd especially in those matters which are beyond from sense and wisdom. So that pure from error is only that source of revelation which descends on prophets a thing which cannot acquire from wisdom and sense that is called invisible Quran stats in Al-imran.

وما كان الله ليطلعكم على الغيب ولكن الله يجتبي من رسله من يشاء⁷

And it is not (the purpose of) Allah to let you know the Unseen. But Allah chooseth of His messengers whom He will, (to receive knowledge thereo

Allah Almighty discloses his commands over prophets clearly. Therefore pharisaic must be declared before the prophets. At another place Allah says.

عالم الغيب فلا يظهر على غيبه أحدا إلا من ارتضى من رسول⁸

(He is) the Knower of the Unseen, and He revealeth unto none His secret, Save unto every messenger whom He hath chosen,

In the light of these verses we came to know revelation is pure from error and mistake Allah Almighty vaticinate to his messengers and who are not messenger or prophets they are not told by him. Consequently there are only the personalities who are immaculate or away from sins were of Allah's Apostles.

Immaculacy in Judaism:

Dictionary defines the word immaculate extremely clean the person contains no mistake. In other words a person whose character is perfect. There is no chance of error or mistake, the quality in character of a person who is free from sins, vices, and every kind of mistake. Allah had sent them to remove the vices and blunders from the world.

Actually basic education of entire prophets from Adam to Muhammad ﷺ was same. Allah Almighty had sent his prophets and Apostles to the areas, nations, tribes where the people of ones got their apex in digression ignorance, demoralization. To remove all the vices Allah Almighty send his apostles or messengers.

There is a point is to be noted whether the prophets or messenger already have such vices in their characters than how they could hinder their nation from such evils. But the Jews interpolate Torah, Now in present time; Torah does not show the immaculacy of Prophets. Torah exhibits almost many great sins in the characters of Apostles like heathenism, rape, fraud, witch, forgery, drinking, kissing adulterine, murder and other disobediences of Allah.

There is no concept of immaculacy in Bible. It is not confined to Old Testament (Pentateuch) but in New Testament too.

Concept of Immaculacy about Noah in Bible:

First, Torah describes the story of Noah in the chapter of Genesis the verse from 20 to 27. Hazrat Noah was starting forming of vineyard. Once it happened so Noah drinks wine excessively and being intoxicated.

In this addiction he throws away his trouser and be naked. He was out of sense even then one of his sons named Ham came in tent and he found his father naked. He informed his other two brothers about bareness of his father. They enter in the tent with a large piece of cloth and covered his father and when Noah came in senses he cursed on Canaan (one of them).

“Now, Noah the son of soil was the first plant a vineyard when he drank some of the wine he became drunk and Lay naked inside the tent.

He said cursed be Canaan”.⁹

“Now, Noah the son of soil was the first plant a vineyard when he drank some of the wine he became drunk and Lay naked inside the tent. In the light of these verses there is no immaculacy in Noah the second father of human beings.

Immaculacy concerning Hazrat Loot in Bible

Same is the case with Hazrat Loot, in the very beginning of part 19 of Genesis. Loot was sitting at the gate of the city of Sadoom in wait of angles. When the angles appear to loot he stood in greets and bow down with face to the ground.

Bowing down to the ground with his face before angles is against the Apostle's immaculacy. A Prophet never bows before anyone except Allah. In the same chapter Loot was humiliated very indecently. When Loot left the Sadoom and to dwell began on the top of the mountain. One night the eldest daughter emerged conspiracy with her younger sister. First night the eldest daughter made drink wine to his father and when his father became tipsy he do intercourse with his daughter. (معاذ الله)

Next night the younger daughter made drink wine to his father and conjugated with his father whole night.

"Come Let us play our father with wine and then lie with him..... thus both of the Loot's daughter became pregnant by their father".¹⁰

The tale further goes ahead the bigger daughter born a boy baby whom she gave name Moab and he is the ancestor of the entire Moabites of Present.

The younger daughter gives birth a son and she named him Ammon and he is the ancestor of the whole Ammonites of today.

Immaculacy regarding Jacob in Bible:

Torah described that Prophet Hood basically was the right of the eldest son of Hazrat Isaac named Esau. One day Esau came from jungle, he was very hungry. He demanded meal from Jacob. Jacob gave him meal on the condition of taking entire rights auspiciousriess/blessing including apostleship. Hence Esau had sold out the right of apostleship at the cost of lentil pulse due to his hunger.

In 27th part of Genesis describes the story of Isaac. When he grew old and his eyesight almost finished. He showed his wish eat mutton. He would pray for him. Rebekah, wife of Isaac was listening all these.

He said to his son Jacob to bring two lambs of goat from the flock. He had slaughtered them and her mother cooked very efficiently and presented before Isaac by the hand of Jacob. When Isaac called Esau for giving him his blessing Jacob at once disguised a like Esau and acquired the whole prayers of blessing from his father.

There are three points to be understand necessarily

- 1) Forgetfulness
- 2) Telling a lie
- 3) Deceive/cheating

One point is that when Isaac call for Esau and demanded his hand for prayer. Jacob deceived his father by telling him lie that he is Jacob because he had disguised like Esau because his mother provided him Esau's garments and Rebekah put the skin of lamb on his land and Isaac was being deceived by his son Jacob. Jacob's cheating is obviously clear. Now notice the verse of genesis.

"Who are you my son Jacob said to his father? I am Esau your first born"¹¹,

In these verses telling a lie of Prophet Jacob is clear.

How can it possible that an apostle deceive even his own father and used to tell a lie. If a prophet used to tell a lie how would he convey God's message to public honestly. cheating and telling a lie is totally against the concept of immaculacy when Esau complaint this to his father regarding Jacobs fraud and cheating Isaac confess it by saying now I had given all the prayers of blessing to Jacob.

Immaculacy concerning Joseph:

Bible shows Hazrat Joseph's as big backbiter, his character was not pure though the critically recitation of verse No 2 of the part No 37 of the book Genesis. When he used to live with his step mothers named Bil-hah and Zil-pah both were his father's wives. Both of the step mothers of Joseph was used to wrong done and Joseph was backbiting their wrong deeds to his father and he was young of 17 years old. It means Bil- hah and Zilpah both were indulge of sins and Joseph was the great backbiter because he informed his father regarding the vices of her father's wives and never instructs them. .

Hazrat Jacob's character was shown just like a vagabond and gangral in chapter 29. During his journey Jacob stayed near the well where there were three folks of sheep's and there he found two daughter of Laban's daughter. Laban was his maternal uncle his both daughter was Leah and the younger daughter was Rachel. He (Jacob) meets both of them. Leah's eye was not graceful whereas Rachel's eyes were much graceful Jacob falls in Love with Rachal because she was so pretty. In the verse 11 Jacob was shown to kissing Rachal.

"Then Jacob Kissed Rachal"¹²

How can it possible that a prophet kiss a irrivent lady who is not his wife? It is unworthy for a prophet that he wanders with emotion of promiscuously. In chapter 38 Jacob's son "Judah" Rape his son's wife named "Tamar" and she generated two babies named "Peret" and "Zerah".

Joseph invites his entire brother and arranged them age wise sequence. Joseph divided them meal but gave his brother Benjamin 5 time as much more of any his others. They ate, drank(wine) and merry with Joseph.

It mean's Joseph was drinker openly make drink to others.

Immaculacy regarding Aaroon:

In the part 32 of Exodus the last verse was exhibits that the forbidden calf was made by Aaroon. There is no immaculacy in the character of Aaroon. But on the other hand, Torah says, calf was made by Aaroon and that calf was worshipped by him then for what Allah sent him as apostle.

"Then the Lord sent a plague on the people because they made the calf the one that made Aaroon."¹³

Immaculacy regarding David in Bible:

If we go beyond the Pentateuch we meet same characters concerning the apostles. As we find in the 2nd part of Samuel. One day David upstairs on the top roof of his palace where there he finds a beautiful Lady was bathing. David got information regarding that woman because such Lady was liked by David so he calls her to meet him and he lay with her she convicted.

"Having acquired the information about the lady , David order (Uariah the Hit Uariah) the

husband of the lady to go to his wife. But he did not go next day. David made drink him wine but again he had not gone when he refused to go to her wife. David sent her husband on war and murdered him with conspiracy".¹⁴

Is it possible for a prophet? That he commit such sins.

Same is the case with his (David) eldest son named Amnon. Amnon fell in love with his step sister named Tamar. The sister of Absalom Amnon raped his brother's sister, with the help of his cousin named Jonadab after this incident Tamar tells his brother Absalom but he does nothing except a hate. When the news of that incident was told to David he performed nothing but wrath. After some time Absalom killed his brother Amnon the complete chapter 13 of Samuel 2nd describes the story of this Rape and murder.

There is no immaculacy in Solomon:

When we study the book of Kings 1 part 11 we find that Solomon had a great passion of love with the daughter of Pharaoh and with many other women of forbidden tribes with them the association is banned by Allah Almighty. Hazrat Solomon had three hundred wives and 700 other ladies with whom he had sexual relation. After some period of time the Ladies turned his heart from God to Idol. As the heart of his father David turned. There are the greatest allegations on the prophets' character.

In Jewish, there is hardly a single prophet whose character is immaculate. Almost all of the prophets are shown bad character. Jews accused, telling a lie, cheat, worship of idols, making idols, Rape, fraud to purchase or sale apostleship even wrestling with God on the characters of Apostle.

This is the concept of immaculacy regarding Prophets in Bible. Rape with sister, mother and murder with cheat all are found in Prophet's character and their offspring as well.

Comparison of Immaculacy Between Islam and Judaism:

Islam is a religion like Judaism and Christianity revealed by Allah Almighty But the difference among all these religions is that the followers of Muhammad had saved and secured each and every aspect of commands and conducts of their prophets. The second thing is that Allah Almighty had taken the responsibility of protection Quran on himself as he said,

إنا نحن نزلنا الذكر وإنا له لحافظون¹⁵

Lo! We, even we, reveal the Reminder, and lo! We verily are its Guardian.

On the other hand the followers of Jesus and Moses could not acquire the reverence of greatness. They had not credit of excellence. There is huge gulf in concept of Immaculacy between Judaism and Islam. The religion Islam provides us the subtlest aspects of Apostle's life on the other hand Bible is unable to describe the subtle flanks of prophet's life.

Islam is absolutely against the theory of Bible. Islam considers, Prophets are innocent from the blunders and great sins as Idolism, telling a lie, fraud cheat, cunningness, moral corruption regard their kins, money disorder fatuity, Sexual crime, sodomy, masturbation, intoxication, Qazaf, accusation trespass or to restrain the other rights. It is all about all the Prophets. Quran did limited to life of Muhammad the last Prophets Quran defines, illuminate told the biographies almost 26 Prophets and apostles. Almost all of the Prophets are shown innocent, Pure, immaculate, spruced, chaste and on the highest moral social standard free from sins. Quran gives demonstration about the purity of almost all the Prophets.

Remember the name of Abraham he was much pure and true Prophet.

واذكر في الكتاب إبراهيم إنه كان صديقا نبيا¹⁶

And make mention (O Muhammad) in the Scripture of Abraham. Lo! he was a saint, a prophet. Remember Moses He was also pure Allah's Apostle.

واذكر في الكتاب موسى إنه كان مخلصا وكان رسولا نبيا¹⁷

And make mention in the Scripture of Moses. Lo! he was chosen, and he was a messenger (of Allah), a prophet.

Aaroon and his brother we bestowed him with our concert mercy.

ووهبنا له من رحمتنا أخاه هارون نبيا¹⁸

And We bestowed upon him of Our mercy his brother Aaron, a prophet (likewise).

And mention the book of Ismael indeed. He was true to his promise and was messenger of Prophet.

And mention in the book Idrees indeed he was a man of true and a Prophet.

واذكر في الكتاب إدريس إنه كان صديقا نبيا¹⁹

And make mention in the Scripture of Idris. Lo! he was a saint, a prophet;

Allah Almighty demonstrated himself that almost all the prophet was true to promise, Poise. He raised him very high away from the absurdities, follies, and offensive of life.

أولئك الذين أنعم الله عليهم من النبيين من ذرية آدم ومن حملنا مع نوح ومن ذرية إبراهيم وإسرائيل ومن هدينا واجتبننا إذا تتلى عليهم آيات الرحمن خروا سجدا وبكيا²⁰

These are they unto whom Allah showed favour from among the prophets, of the seed of Adam and of those whom we carried (in the ship) with Noah, and of the seed of Abraham and Israel, and from among those whom we guided and chose. When the revelations of the Beneficent were recited unto them, they fell down, adoring and weeping.

Hazrat Maryam was not Prophet and her Parents were also not Prophet but Quran gives witness over their character.

يا أخت هارون ما كان أبوك امرأ سوء وما كانت أمك بغيا²¹

O sister of Aaron! Thy father was not a wicked man nor was thy mother a harlot.

Hazrat Yahya, Jesus, Zakaria all the Prophets are true pious, well character ready of obey all the time Allah's command.

But in administration the aspect of forgetfulness and not kept hidden in Islam. Islam obviously throws light on other aspects of Prophet. As we put some example: Once two men were fighting and Moses bowed hardly to a person and he died. It means Moses killed a person unintentionally.

On the other hand Torah mentioned many fake and unnecessary stories about Prophets. From the deep study of Torah one can begin to think that there is no difference between a Prophet and layman. Torah almost shows all the Prophets sinful.

There are wrong stories which are not worthy to Prophets and Allah's Apostles. Hazrat Noah, Hazrat Lot, was shown wine drinker and Naked. Even then the Prophet Lot is shown violate concerning his daughters and as well as her daughters are presented vagabond and violators.

Same is the case with the character of Jacob and his offspring Dena the daughter of Jacob is exhibited bad character. Jacob also shown fell in love with his maternal cousin and his love

story. Reubon was shown the violator of his mother. Even then the Prophet Joseph was shown backbiter of his mother. Joseph had used to inform his father about the wrong deeds of his mother almost the whole children and wives are shown characterless.

Hazrat Aaroon was not exhibited immaculate. He was shown the originator of the idol of calf. Hazrat David was not immaculate he does efforts for the beautiful woman.

Prophet salmon was shown in love with the daughter of Pharaoh and with many other women belong to the tribes of enemy. The Prophet could not educate his family and offspring to the right path as Allah's command.

We put some example concerning that.

- Hazrat David eldest son, Amnon fell in love with his sister Tamer and rapes her with the assistance one of his friend Johndob.
- Bilhah and Zelph the wives of Jacob indulge with immoral gossiping and Joseph had told all these to his father.
- Joseph himself made drink wine to his brothers.

Torah had shown no immaculacy in the character of all the Prophets.

Drinking, murder, Love, affairs, heathenism, rape, fraud, welsh, forgery, kissing adulterine and involve Prophets Offspring and wives of Prophets are shown criminals.

We feel as we are not reciting the Holy book but a criminal book regarding the biographies of Prophets. Hence Quran presents them as an (Uswa-e-Hasana) the most beautiful embodiment of life.

Hazrat Noah to Jeses and Muhammadﷺ all the Prophets and Apostle are innocent and away from crime and offences even the errors. This is difference between Quran and Bible.

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