

# لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ Say and You Will Succeed

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ worked tirelessly to call people to the straight path. He visited them in their homes and markets. He talked to them in public and in person. He wanted them to know how great Allah is. He told them to stop worshipping idols made of stone and wood.

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ loved the people a lot. He hoped they would believe in Allah and please Him so they could reach Jannah too. But most people around him were very stubborn, including his uncle, Abu Lahab. Abu Lahab was a very mean and miserly man with a squint in his eyes and two braids in his beard.

One day, Prophet Muhammad ﷺ went to the market of Dhul Majaz to talk to the people and invite them to Islam. Prophet Muhammad said, “O People! Say there is no god worthy of worship except Allah and you will be successful.” Some people gathered around him to listen but then came Abu Lahab and told them, “He is a liar! Don’t listen to him! He has left our religion!”.[1]

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ visited many different people in the market that day but Abu Lahab kept following him, trying to keep the people away from him. What a wicked, heartless man he was!

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ had Allah on his side. Allah helped him and slowly Islam spread throughout the world. Muslims all over the world love Prophet Muhammad.

“He it is Who has sent His Messenger (Muhammad SAW) with guidance and the religion of truth (Islamic Monotheism) to make it victorious over all (other) religions even though the mushrikoon (those who make partners with Allah) hate (it).” (Surah Saff 61, ayah : 9)

# Quiz yourself

Can you answer these questions on your own?

1. Who was Abu Lahab?

2. What did Abu Lahab look like?

3. What did Prophet Muhammad ﷺ tell the people?

4. How many Muslims are there in the world today?