Wahy (Revelation) (Revelation) and its nature

Definition of revelation (Wahy)

- الْإِعْلَامِ فِي خَفَاءِ الربوشيره بات كى خبردينا) -
- the divine disclosure to humans of something relating to human existence.
- a surprising and previously unknown fact that has been disclosed to others.
- It is the word of God revealed to one of his prophets and messengers.
- الْهُوَ كَلَامِ الله البنزل على نَبِي من أنبيائه وَالرَّسُول -

Types of Wahy

- There are two types of Wahy
- 1: Wahee-e-Matlu (وحى مثلو)
- It means the revelation which God has transmitted in His own words and speech, for example the Holy Quran. It is essential that such revealed words should be recited in the same accent, language and pronunciation as they were revealed. Thus even after 1450 years Quran has remained unchanged.

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- 2: Wahee-e-Ghair Matlu (وحى غيرِ مثلو)
- Prophet . These are not the words of the Almighty, but the Holy Prophet (PBUH) transmitted these revealed proclamations to the people in his own words and actions and sometimes in both actions and words.

The need for Wahy

- Man in this world is a matter of test.
- He is assigned with certain duties...
- 1. Man should make the best use of this world....
- 2. While struggling and working in this worldman should keep the injunctions of Allah in sight and do nothing that goes against the will of Allah.
- o For these things, one must have knowledge.

Main sources of knowledge

- 1. Man's senses...eyes, nose, ears, mouth, feet and hands
- 2. The reason...(عقل)
- 3. The wahy

The modes of descent (زول وی)

There are main five modes or forms of the descent of Wahy.

1. Chiming of Bells

Sayyidah Aishah (Radhi Allahu Anha) says that Sayyidna Harith ibn Hisham (Radhi Allahu Anhu) once asked the Holy Prophet (Sal Allahu Alayhi Wa Sallam) how Wahy came to him. The Holy Prophet (Sal Allahu Alayhi Wa Sallam) said "There are times when I hear something like the chiming of bells and this mode of Wahy is the hardest on me. After the chiming ends, the revelation is committed to my memory. And there are times when the angel appears before me in the shape of a man and talks to me."

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There were times when a low-volumed sound of this Wahy was sensed by others as well. Sayyidna Umar (Radhi Allahu Anhu) says, "When Wahy came to the Prophet (Sal Allahu Alayhi Wa Sallam), a sound similar to the buzzing of honey-bees could be heard close to the Prophet's (Sal Allahu Alayhi Wa Sallam) most bright face."

(Tabwib Musnad Ahmad, Kitab al-Sirah al-Nabaviyah,)

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- 2. Jibrail (Alayhis Salam) in Human Form
- 3. Jibrail (Alayhis Salam) in Angelic Form
- 4. Conversation with Allah Almighty
- 5. Blowing into the Heart. This is technicallyn known as (نفث فى الروع)blowing into hearts.



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