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"Try to attach them with MTA as well"

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad during the Lajna UK National Amila Mulaqat on
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After a two year gap, the National Lajna Ima'illah Ijtema was held on Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th September 2021 in Baitul Futuh. Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V, our Beloved Huzur, delivered a beautiful and faith inspiring address:

'.....take pride in your faith and religion.'

'So, strive to increase your religious knowledge and endeavour to build your relationship with Allah.'

Listen to the whole address delivered by Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V clicking on the link below:

[Lajna Imaillah UK Ijtema 2021: Concluding Address by Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad - YouTube](#)

Alternatively, read the full transcript of the address transcribed by Review of Religions.

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Taken from the address delivered to the Lajna and Nasirat at the National Ijtema, Beloved Huzur said;

'Indeed, superficial and ostentatious pursuits are akin to salty sea water, which, instead of quenching one's thirst, serves only to increase it. A person lacking intelligence and wisdom will keep drinking from the cup of salt water expecting that it will eventually satiate his thirst. Needless to say, it can never quench a person's thirst; rather, it will slowly poison him and ultimately cause his death. That salty water can never be life-giving; rather, it is the means of taking away one's life. Alternatively, the best water is that which comes down from the heavens in the shape of rain and which is the means of our life and existence. That fresh water gives life to the soil beneath us and is the means of sustaining all forms of life. So, it is up to us to save ourselves from the toxic glamour of the world that is just like the salt water that hides its poison.'

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How does Islam see the concept of "Adam and Eve", considering science tells us a different evolution theory?

- Adam (as) lived about 6,000 years ago. It is possible that he was born in present day Iraq. He is popularly believed to be the first man created by God upon earth. This view is, however, wrong. The world has passed through different cycles of creation and civilization, and Adam (as), the progenitor of the present human race, is only the first link in the present cycle, and not the very first man in God's creation. Nations have risen and fallen, civilizations have appeared and perished, and many other cycles of human civilization may have appeared and disappeared.

Stages of the Universe

- According to the Quran the universe passed from stage to stage till the earth assumed a shape and developed properties which could sustain human life.
- The Quran, contrary to the accounts given in the Old and the New Testaments, teaches that man was created through a gradual process. There is another verse in the Quran which shows that the creation of man was the culmination of a gradual process:

And He has created you in different stages and different forms (71:15)

- In the same way man's intellectual development also proceeded gradually. The Quran shows that human beings were in existence before Hazrat Adam (as) but that they were not yet able to bear the responsibility of revealed Law. They lived in caves and in mountain fastnesses. It is for this reason that the Quran has called them by the name of JINN, which means literally those that dwell out of sight.

Was Adam in Paradise?

- It expressly states that when Hazrat Adam (as) and his people went out of the garden (which again, according to the Quran was a region of the earth and is not to be confused with Paradise). God warned them against Iblis "who was one of the JINN" and told them to be careful of him and his people as they would all have to live together upon the earth wherein they would spend their spans of existence and wherein they would die (7:26, 28). Those whom the Quran describes as JINN in connection with Hazrat Adam (as) were human beings who dwelt upon the earth but whose mental faculties were not yet fully developed.
- In short, the Quran teaches that man's physical creation and development are the result of a process of evolution and in the same way his intellectual development is also the result of a process of evolution. Hazrat Adam (as) was not the first human being but was the first human being whose intellect was capable of accepting and bearing the responsibility of revelation.

Human Beings Before Hazrat Adam (as)

- At another place the Quran says: "And We did create you and then We gave you shape: then said We to the angels, 'Submit to Adam' (7:12). The verse means that God created man and then gave shape to his faculties and then commanded the angels to bow down to Hazrat Adam (as). This verse also clearly shows that man had been in existence prior to the time of Hazrat Adam (as). The developments of man's intellectual faculties indicates that before the appearance of Hazrat Adam (as) man had already passed through several stages of evolution.

The Original Sin

- As Hazrat Adam (as) was not in paradise, so the phenomenon of the original sin is resolved very peacefully and amicably. Before Hazrat Adam (as) there was no Law on this earth from God and hence no one was supposed to pass through any trial and test.

PLEASE NOTE: Answer has been adapted from the following article:

<https://www.alislam.org/articles/quran-adam-original-sin/>

For further reading:

<https://www.alislam.org/articles/quran-adam-original-sin/>

<https://www.reviewofreligions.org/1162/prophets-of-god-part-1/>

<https://www.reviewofreligions.org/24252/unravelling-the-truth-about-eve-her-position-in-history-according-to-islam/>

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