

## Summarised Friday Sermon

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### ISRAK MIKRAJ AND AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

- Tomorrow falls the 27<sup>th</sup> of Rejab, a historic day in the Islamic calendar. It is on this day that Muslims commemorate our Prophet's Israk and mikraj, a one-night journey from Makkah, to Jerusalem, and subsequently, to the heavens.
- This event posed a challenge to the faith of Muslims in the time of the Prophet, a time where air travel is unheard of. How could the Prophet s.a.w, made the journey from Makkah to Jerusalem in one night, when it normally took more than a month to reach
- The non-believers of that time had a good time mocking and laughing at the Prophet s.a.w and Muslims, while some Muslims had a hard time coming to terms with the story. It has been reported that some even left Islam altogether.
- The night journey as experienced by the Prophet s.a.w was unthinkable in the past, but the concept is not new to us today. Even the idea of space travel is acceptable to us now, thanks to the progress made in the field of science and technology that helps explain the wonders told in the Quran.
- The Prophet companion Abu Bakar has proved himself to be a man of great faith, despite the inability of the technology of his time to prove Israk mikraj took place. What about us today? As armed as we are with scientific knowledge and explanation, it should help us in achieving a stronger conviction in Allah and the religion
- We have come a long way in our knowledge of science and technology. But let us not sit back and be complacent about it; there are more of Allah's mysterious wonders out there that could be studied. While some mysteries will always stay as such for us, others can prove beneficial for us as creations of Allah.



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