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Moosa ﷺ and Haroon ﷺ went to the palace to meet Firawn. His chiefs and courtiers were with him.

But before they went, Moosa ﷺ told Allaah, "My Lord! Verily, I fear that they will deny me,

But Allaah ﷻ said, "Nay! Go you both with Our Signs. Verily We shall be with you, listening."

"And go both of you to Fir'aun, and say: 'We are the Messengers of the Lord of the Aalamin.'"



So they introduced themselves to Firawn as Messengers of Allaah, and invited him to worship Allaah alone, the Lord of the Worlds.

They said to him,

**"Would you purify yourself (from the sin of disbelief by becoming a believer)?"**

**"And that I guide you to your Lord, so you should fear Him?"**

Surah an Naziat 79 vs. 18,19

When Moosa ﷺ said this, Firawn mockingly asked him,

**"And what is the Lord of the Aalamin."**

He turned to his chiefs and his people around him and said,

Surah ash Shu'ara 26 vs. 23

**"O chiefs! I know not that you have an ilah  
(a god) other than me.**

Surah al Qasas 28 vs. 38

And he had told them,

**"I am your lord, most high."<sup>\*</sup>**

Surah an Naziat 79 vs. 24

The people of Firawn foolishly believed that they had no lord other than Firawn. He had fooled his people into thinking that he was their god and so they denied Allaah ﷻ, their Creator.

So Moosa ﷺ informed them of Allaah's Greatness and some of His Attributes.

\*Because of this statement, Allaah destroyed him

He then requested Firawn to allow the Bani Israeel to go with them.

Moosa ﷺ told him, they are believers in Allaah ﷻ so free them from your slavery and let them go with us.

**"So allow the Children of Israeel to go with us."\*\***

Firawn then reminded Moosa ﷺ of his childhood, how he had grown up in the palace and how Firawn had done him many favours.

He asked Moosa ﷺ,

**"Did we not bring you up among us as a child?  
And you did dwell many years of your life with us.**

\*Surah ash Shu'ara 26 vs. 24-28    \*\*Surah ash Shu'ara 26 vs. 17



Firawn also reminded him of the fact that Moosa had murdered a man.

Then Moosa ﷺ replied, "I did it then, when I was ignorant. So I fled from you when I feared you. But my Lord has granted me Hukm, and made me one of the Messengers."

Surah ash Shu'ara 26 vs. 20,21



When Firawn said this, Moosa ﷺ admitted to him that it had been a mistake, but he had now been guided and made a Messenger and had been sent to call Firawn to believe in Allaah and to worship Him alone.

He told him if he believed, he would be safe, but if he denied Allaah ﷻ, he would be destroyed.

Firawn knew what Moosa ﷺ said was correct, but he did not want to accept the truth, so he turned to using his force and power.

He told Moosa ﷺ,

"If you choose an ilah (god) other than me, I will certainly put you among the prisoners."

So Moosa ﷺ asked him,

**"Even if I bring you something manifest (clear)?"**

Firawn replied,

**"Bring it forth then, if you are of the truthful!"**

Surah ash Shu'ara 26 vs. 29-31

Then Moosa ﷺ showed Firawn the signs

Allaah had given him.

He threw down his stick and it became a huge snake with a huge body and mouth.

Then he drew out his hand from his sleeve and it was shining like a piece of the moon.

These were very clear signs of Allaah's power, but Firawn still chose to deny it.

He did not want his people influenced by the miracles that Moosa ﷺ showed them.

He said,  
"Verily! This is indeed a well-versed sorcerer."

So he asked his chiefs to advise him. They said, "Put him off and his brother, and send callers to the cities; to bring up to you every well-versed sorcerer."

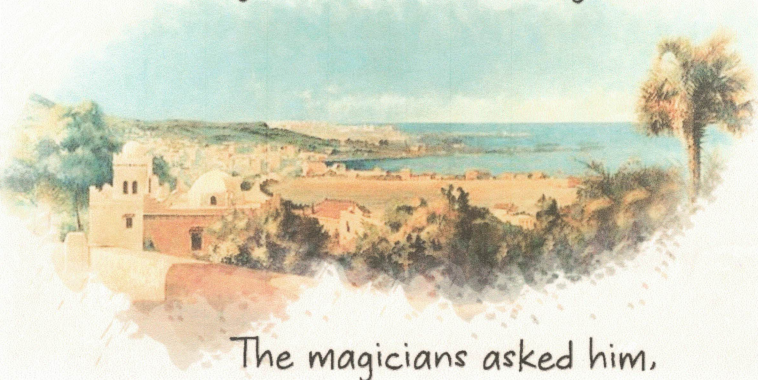
Surah ash Shu'ara 26 vs. 34,36,37

They advised him to bring the best magicians from all the cities to challenge Moosa ﷺ.

Firawn suggested to Moosa ﷺ that they have the meeting on a day that all the people could witness it.

Moosa ﷺ said, "Your appointed meeting is the day of the festival . . ."

So they gathered at the place at the time appointed. Moosa ﷺ, Haroon ﷺ and a great number of magicians.



The magicians asked him,  
"O Moosa! Either you throw first or we be the first to throw!"

Moosa ﷺ replied, "Nay, throw you (first)!"  
Surah Ta Ha 20 vs. 59,65,66

All of the magicians had ropes and sticks and staffs\*.

When they threw them, to those who were watching, it seemed as if all the ropes and sticks had turned into snakes and were moving very fast. This was a magic trick, an illusion\*\*.

There seemed to be hundreds of snakes moving. When Moosa saw this he was afraid.

But Allaah ﷻ said, **"Fear not! Surely, you will have the upper hand."** Surah Ta Ha 20 vs. 68

At the right moment Allaah ﷻ commanded Moosa ﷺ to throw his stick.

\*similar to a walking stick or rod \*\*false appearance

The stick turned into a monstrous creature which followed the magicians' ropes and sticks and swallowed up everything.

When the last of the sticks had been swallowed, Moosa ﷺ held the creature in his hand and it became a stick again.

With the knowledge of magic that they had, the magicians knew, that what Moosa ﷺ had performed was not magic, but was indeed a miracle from Allaah ﷻ.

Immediately they prostrated and said,

**"We believe in the Lord of the Aalamin.**

**"The Lord of Moosa and Haroon."**

Surah ash Shu'ara 26 vs. 47,48

Firawn was furious and ordered that the magicians who believed in Allaah ﷺ be tortured and killed.

Although yet again he had seen this great sign of Allaah, Firawn refused to believe.

Moosa ﷺ kept calling Firawn and his people to believe in Allaah and worship Him alone. But they were stubborn and refused.

So Allaah ﷻ sent them nine different signs.

First there was a long drought, after which there was a terrible flood, Then Allaah sent locusts\*, which ate all their crops and fruit.

Then there was a type of weevil\*, which ate up all their grain.

The next sign was frogs. There were frogs everywhere. In their cooking pots and in their food. So much so that if a man opened his mouth to speak or to eat or drink, a frog would jump in.

Blood was the next sign. Their water was mixed with blood. They could not take water from the river Nile, or from any other river, not even from a well.

\*A type of pest that eats wheat.



Firawn and his people faced a lot of hardship and everytime, they would ask Moosa ﷺ to pray to his Lord to relieve them from it, promising to believe, if Allaah did so.

But when Moosa ﷺ invoked Allaah and their suffering was removed, they broke their promise and went back to their disbelief.

Moosa ﷺ had given them enough evidence to prove the Oneness of Allaah and that only He deserved to be worshipped.

They had been given many chances to accept the truth. They now had no excuse.

But among the people of Firawn, there were a few people who believed. One of them was his wife Aasiyah, the other was one of his cousins, and the third was the man who came and told Moosa to flee Egypt.

Allaah ﷻ then decreed that Firawn and his people be punished.

He ﷻ commanded Moosa ﷺ to leave with the Bani Israeel at night and to go towards the Red Sea. So they left as commanded.

When the people of Egypt woke up the next morning, they could not find a single person from the Bani Israeel.

They reported back to Firawn.

Firawn was furious and called for his troops. He ordered them to prepare themselves to follow Moosa ﷺ and the Bani Israeel.

He took a huge army with him.


When the Bani Israeel reached the shores of the Red Sea and the sea was in front of them, they realized that Firawn and his army had followed them.

So now, the sea was in front of them and Firawn and his army were behind.

There did not seem any way of escape.



Some of them said to Moosa  
"We are sure to be overtaken."

But Moosa  said, "Nay, verily with me is  
my Lord. He will guide me."

Surah ash Shu'ara 26 vs. 61,62

Moosa ﷺ had absolute trust and confidence in his Lord.

He knew Allaah ﷻ would look after him.

Everytime Firawn and his army were coming closer, the Bani Israeel were getting more anxious.


When they were about to close upon them Allaah ﷻ commanded Moosa ﷺ to strike the sea with his stick.

**"Strike the sea with your stick."**

The sea miraculously parted.

**"And it parted, and each separate part became like a huge mountain."**

Surah ash Shu'ara 26 vs. 63



There appeared a path between the  
mountains of water.

Allaah ﷻ commanded the wind to make the path dry, so it would be easy for Moosa and the Bani Israeel to go across.

It is said that the sea divided into twelve paths, one for each of the tribes of Bani Israeel.

Allaah ﷻ helps His believing servants from where they can never imagine.

Moosa ﷺ wanted to strike the sea again, so as to close it, thereby stopping the enemy.

But Allaah ﷻ commanded him not to. He wanted Firawn and his army to enter it.

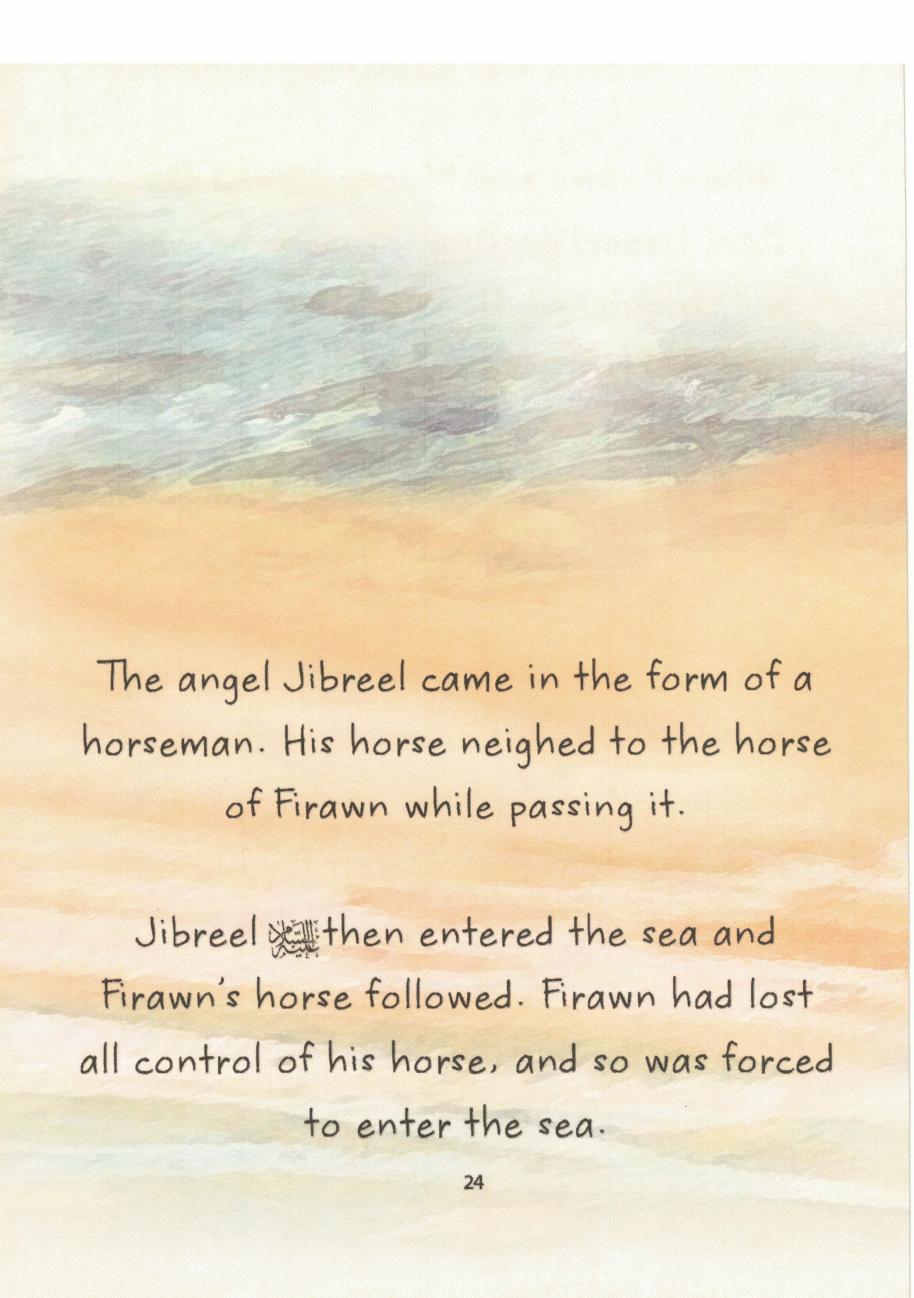
When Firawn saw Moosa ﷺ and the Bani Israeel passing through, he was truly frightened. He knew that this was definitely the action of the Lord of Moosa.

But yet, he did not humble himself and accept Allaah as his Lord.

Instead, he made his army believe that it was due to his power that the sea had opened up for him, enabling him to catch the Bani Israeel. But for himself, he had no intention of going in.

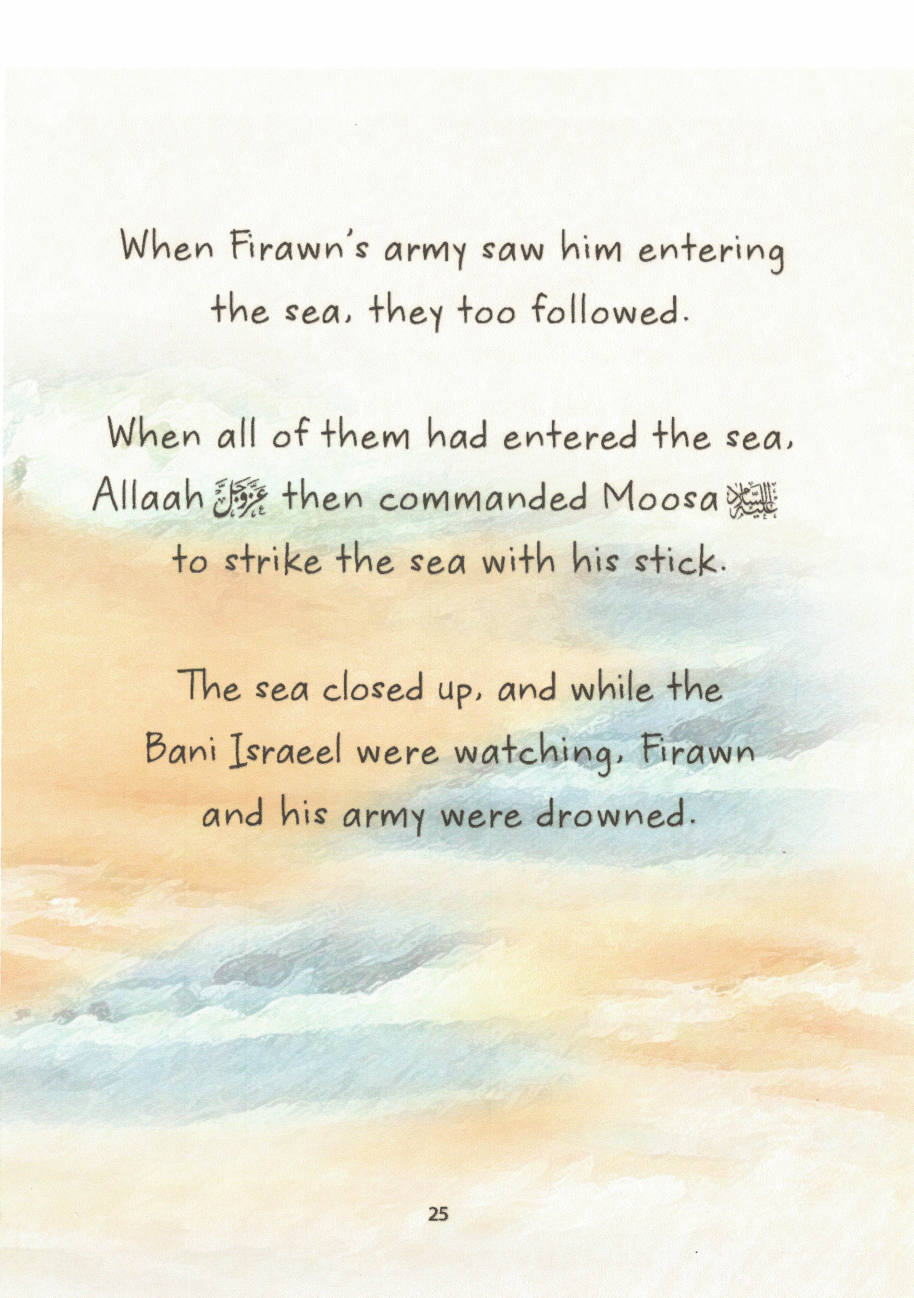
But Allaah ﷻ had other plans.





The angel Jibreel came in the form of a horseman. His horse neighed to the horse of Firawn while passing it.

Jibreel ﷺ then entered the sea and Firawn's horse followed. Firawn had lost all control of his horse, and so was forced to enter the sea.



When Firawn's army saw him entering  
the sea, they too followed.

When all of them had entered the sea,  
Allaah ﷻ then commanded Moosa ﷺ  
to strike the sea with his stick.

The sea closed up, and while the  
Bani Israeel were watching, Firawn  
and his army were drowned.

Allaah ﷻ said,

“And We saved Moosa and all those with him.  
Then We drowned the others.”

So Moosa ﷺ, Haroon ﷺ, the Bani Israeel  
and those who believed were saved, and  
Firawn and those who followed him,  
were drowned.

Allaah ﷻ tells us in the Qur'aan that before  
Firawn drowned, he said, "I believe that none  
has the right to be worshipped but He in Whom  
the Children of Israel believe, and I am one of  
the Muslims ."

But declaring his belief at that time was  
too late.

“Now (you believe) while you refused to  
believe before . . .”

So this day We shall deliver your dead body  
(out from the sea) that you may be a sign to  
those who come after you!”

Allaah ﷻ has made the body of Firawn  
as a sign for later generations to think  
about.

End of Part Two

What happens to the Children of Israeel?

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