



«Two men in white raiment came to me with a gold basin full of snow. Then they seized me and opened up my belly, extracted my heart and split it; then they extracted a black drop from it and threw it away; then they washed my heart and my belly with that snow until they had thoroughly cleaned them.»

Halima and her family worried that the boy had suffered a stroke or, worse, had been possessed by a demon. So they decided to return him to his mother, for fear that he may become ill.

His mother Aminah, however, knew that it was no stroke nor was it a demon. She was sure it had something to do with the light she had seen when he ﷺ was born.

After returning to Mecca, the Prophet ﷺ lived with his mother until she died. He ﷺ was only six years old. She had fallen ill on a journey between Mecca and Medina, while visiting her brothers. Thus, the Prophet ﷺ went into the care of his grandfather, Abd al-Muttalib.

Abd al-Muttalib loved the Prophet ﷺ even more than his own sons and the other children of the clan. He could tell, even from Muhammad's ﷺ young age, that he ﷺ was destined for greatness.

