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Ibrahim(AS) is mentioned in the Quran in :  
 S.Baqarah - 124-127, 130,132,133  
 S.Al Imran - 33,65,67,84,95,97  
 S.An Nisa - 54,125,163  
 S.Al Anam - 74,75,83,161  
 S.At Taubah - 70,114  
 S. Al Hud - 69, 74- 76  
 S. Ibrahim - 35  
 S.As Saffat - 83,104,109

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1) Ibrahim (AS) is the second of the five greatest prophets.  
 2) Mentioned in 73 places in the Quran, in 25 Surahs.  
 3) He was also known as the Khalilullah - the friend of Allah. He was especially known for his truth, and obedience to Allah. He was ready to do anything and everything for Allah.  
 4) Ibrahim(AS)'s father was a famous idol maker, and Ibrahim (AS) saw his father make the idols, with his own hands and then worship it.

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5) Ibrahim (AS) first called his father to the truth, he was a young boy at this time around 16 years or less.  
 6) His father refused to follow - he said, 'Are u turning away from my gods, O Ibrahim? Surely if you don't stop I'll stone you, kill u, now leave me alone, go away from me.'  
 7) He scolded Ibrahim, threatened to kill him, but did Ibrahim (AS) speak impolitely, did he argue, did he yell at his father - no.

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8) On the DOJ, Ibrahim(AS)'s father will be cast onto the hell fire, he will come to him and say today I will believe you, but will it be of any use on that day. NO! You remember in the story of Nuh(AS) we learnt that the father cannot help the son, and here in this story we learn that a son cannot help his father on the DOJ. Every person will be with his deeds.  
 9) Ibrahim(AS) then called his people to the truth, but they rejected saying we found our fathers and grandfathers worshipping them, so we also worship them.

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10) Ibrahim(AS) then decides to do dawah in another way - to physically show them the worthlessness of the idols. Ibrahim (AS) then said, 'By Allah, I shall surely outwit your idols after you have gone away.'(S.Anbiya 57-63). Somebody heard him making this threat.  
 11) On the day of the festival, all of them went out to celebrate, they called Ibrahim too. But he refused saying he was sick. The lie that he was sick, not physically sick, but sick of what they were doing?

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12) Ibrahim(AS) then went to the temple and broke all the idols with an axe, except the biggest idol. He then hung the axe around the biggest idol. When the people came back they were shocked to see what had happened to their idols. They asked each other who did this to our idols, then the one who had heard Ibrahim (AS) make the threat said, I heard a boy named Ibrahim, threatening to break the idols.  
 13) Ibrahim(AS) was only a young boy here, he was not very big or well known, but he believed in Allah and that gave him the strength to stand up against so many people.

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14) The people decided to bring Ibrahim(AS) in front of all the people to question him? They asked did u do it - then he said ask the big one. Look at these idols they cannot even protect themselves how will they protect u. They cannot talk, or hear. Go and ask your gods, that was the whole point. If they can do something then may be the big one did it, if they cannot do anything then why do you worship them. They realized their mistake but Shytaan whispered to them, and they turned their backs on the truth.

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15) They decided to burn him - they could not argue with him, so they decided to kill him. They made this fire for a long time till it became a very huge fire, its sparks seemed to be touching the sky. Then they placed Ibrahim(AS) in a catapult and chained him. Ibrahim(AS) said 'Hasbiya Allahu wa niamal wakil' - Allah is sufficient for me and He is the best disposer of affairs. I do not need anybody except Allah.

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16) Allah made the fire a cool place for Ibrahim(AS) , he made it an A/C neither too cold that it will hurt him nor too hot. Ibrahim(AS) used to say that ' the days in the fire where the best days of my life.'

17) All the animals, insects on the earth tried to put off the fire for Ibrahim(AS), except the house lizard which tried to flare up the fire, so the Prophet(SAW) asked us to kill them.

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18) The debate with the King Nimroud. Ibrahim (AS) said, "My Lord is the one who gives life and death", so Nimroud said, 'I too can give life and death - he then called 2 prisoners and set one free while he executed the other' he said, 'See I give life and death.'

Ibrahim(AS) then told him, 'My Lord is the One who rises the sun from the east, then you make it rise from the west.' Thus, Nimroud was confounded.

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19) The incident of the birds and the miracle of their coming to life. Ibrahim(AS) believed in Allah, but he wanted to be convinced so Allah showed him a miracle. He had ilm but he wanted to make it stronger by seeing it. So Allah(SWT), asked him to groom 4 birds, then slaughter them and mix their pieces. Then place a part of this mix on four different mountains, and call them they will come back flying.

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20) The Hijrah to Palestine. Only 2 people believed his wife Sarah and his nephew Luut (AS). When nobody believed in the truth then Ibrahim(AS), left that place, the parents, the home and everybody else for the sake of Allah. To leave something for the sake of Allah is called Hijrah.

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21) The people of Haraan, and the star worshippers. Ibrahim(AS)s dawah to them. Ibrahim(AS) in order to do dawah to the people of Haran, went out in the night and chose a star, he then said this is my god, when it set he said I do not like one that sets. He then saw the moon and he said this is my God, but when it also set he said I do not like the things that set. When the Sun rose, he said this is my God, this is the biggest, but when it also set he said, 'O people! I am free of all that you take as Gods'.

22) How do we worship stars nowadays? The result of those who goes to the fortune teller - "The Salaah of whoever approaches a fortuneteller and asks him about anything will not be accepted for 40 days & nights." (Sahih Muslim 4:5540)