***Prophet Ishaq (alayhis salatu was salaam)***

<http://prophetsofallah.tripod.com/prophets/index.html>

***Suggested schedule:***

*Week 1        1. Reading*

*2. Discussion QuestionsProphet Ishaqs Birth*

*3. Narration #1*

*6.  Activity of your choice*

*Week 2        2.  Discussion QuestionsProphet Ishaqs Teachings & Life*

*3.  Narration #2*

*6.  Activity of your choice*

*Week 3        3.  Discussion QuestionsProphet Ishaqs Family & Death*

*6.  Activity of your choice*

*Week 4        4.  Map Work*

*5.  Hebron Today*

*6.  Activity of your choice*

***1.***      ***Reading***

*The Prophets of Allah Volume II by Mildred El-Amin (IQRA) (this is better for younger readers/listeners than the online stories)*

*Online Stories:* [*http://islam101.com/people/prophets/ishaq.htm*](http://islam101.com/people/prophets/ishaq.htm)*(very short)*

[*http://www.witness-pioneer.org/vil/Articles/Prophet/ishaaq\_yaqub.htm*](http://www.witness-pioneer.org/vil/Articles/Prophet/ishaaq_yaqub.htm)*(more advanced & detailed sourced from Quran, Bible and Torah mom will need to read this and paraphrase for kids)*

***2.***      ***Discussion Questions***

***Prophet Ishaqs Birth***

*a.*      *Who is Prophet Ishaqs father?  Prophet Ibrahim (asws)*

*b.*      *Who is Prophet Ishaqs mother?  Sarah*

*c.*      *Was Prophet Ibrahim and Sarah young when Ishaq was born?  No, they were old.  Ibrahim was about 100 and Sarah about 90.*

*d.*      *How did Prophet Ibrahim and Sarah find out they were going to have a child?  Some angels came to visit them and told them that they would have a son named Ishaq and a grandson named Yaqub.*

*e.*      *What did Sarah do when she heard the news that she would have another child?  She laughed thinking she was too old to have children.*

*f.*        *Prophet Ishaqs birth was a miracle.  In the Quran Allah calls it a wonderful thing.  What is a miracle?  Discuss miracles and also talk about how the perfect nature of our world is a miracle.  That the moon doesnt crash into the earth is a miracle.  That the planets maintain their orbits is a miracle. That the sun doesnt burn us up because Allah gave the earth an atmosphere is a miracle.  That we breath in and out all day and night without thinking about it is a miracle.  Discuss that Allah can do everything, even the unimaginable, but that we do nothing without Allahs permission.*

***Prophet Ishaq's Teachings & Life***

*g.*      *Read the Quran references below.  What did Allah tell us about Prophet Ishaq?  Allah tells us in the Quran that Prophet Ishaq was:*

*i.*      *the son of Prophet Ibrahim and Sarah*

*ii.*      *born as a miracle (wonderful thing)*

*iii.*      *the father of Yaqoub*

*iv.*      *a prophet and was sent as a warner to his people*

*v.*      *guided*

*vi.*      *given revelation*

*vii.*      *taught to pray and to give alms and to do good*

*viii.*      *a good man*

*ix.*      *a forefather of Islam*

*x.*      *prayed for by his father, Prophet Ibrahim*

*xi.*      *given Allahs mercy*

*xii.*      *a believer in Allah and only Allah*

*xiii.*      *a man of power and insight*

*xiv.*      *made pure by Allah*

*xv.*      *chosen by Allah and was among the best of men*

*xvi.*      *rewarded for his good*

*h.*      *Did Prophet Ishaq teach people about Allah?  Yes, he traveled from place to place and told many.  He also taught them to worship Allah.*

*i.*        *How did Prophet Ishaq probably travel?  By foot or horse/donkey.*

*j.*         *Where was he born?  Palestine*

*k.*      *Where do you think he could have traveled to?  Look at a map and discuss the land, countries and water around Palestine.  What was the terrain like? Would it have been easy or difficult?*

*l.*         *Was Prophet Ishaq chosen as Allahs prophet?  Yes, Allah chose all the prophets.  Allah even chose to make his birth a miracle.  Allah has a plan and everything is in that plan.*

*m.*    *What did Prophet Ishaq do to show the people to be good believers?  He showed them to do good deeds.*

*n.*      *What one quality is Prophet Ishaq known for?  Happiness, anger, generosity, wisdom, sadness, or fear?  Answer: Generosity*

***Prophet Ishaqs Family & Death***

*o.*      *Who was Ishaqs wife?  Rebecca (Prophet Ibrahims brothers grand-daughter)*

*p.*      *Did Prophet Ishaq and Rebecca have any children?  Not at first but Ishaq prayed to Allah and Allah gave them twins, Esau and Yaqub.*

*q.*      *Where did Prophet Ishaq die?  He died at age 180 years and is buried beside his father and mother in Hebron.*

*r.*        *What physical ailment did Ishaq have at old age?  Poor eye-sight*

***3.***      ***Narration Exercises***

*Prophet Ibrahim and his wife, Sarah,  were very old and still had no children.  Prophet Ibrahim really wanted children.  Angels came to them to tell them that Sarah would have a son named Ishaq.  Sarah laughed with joy.  Prophet Ishaq's birth was a miracle.*

*Ishaq grew up to be a good man.  He traveled around teaching people to worship Allah.  He married Rebecca and had two sons, Esau and Yaqub.  When he was old, he had poor eye-sight.  Prophet Ishaq died in Hebron.*

***4.***      ***Map Work***

*Fertile Crescent*

*a.*      *Ishaq lived in an area called the Fertile Crescent.  Go to*[*http://www.mrdowling.com/603mesopotamia.html*](http://www.mrdowling.com/603mesopotamia.html)*to see where it is.  Discuss that it was called the Fertile Crescent because of its rich land that grew much food.*

*Ancient Palestine*

*b.*      *Go to*[*http://www.salaam.co.uk/themeofthemonth/may02\_index.php?l=1*](http://www.salaam.co.uk/themeofthemonth/may02_index.php?l=1)*to read about the history of Ancient Palestine (particularly Land of Canaanthis is where Yaqub, the son of Ishaq, lived).*

*Hebron*

*c.*      *Go to the outline map at*[*http://geography.about.com/library/blank/blxmiddleeast.htm*](http://geography.about.com/library/blank/blxmiddleeast.htm)*.*

*Or at*[*http://www.fsmitha.com/h1/map01mes.htm*](http://www.fsmitha.com/h1/map01mes.htm)*.  (map of Mesopotamia)*

*Or at*[*http://www.geographic.org/maps/new1/west\_bank\_maps.html*](http://www.geographic.org/maps/new1/west_bank_maps.html)*(map of West Bank)*

*d.*      *Find Hebron on your map and label it.*

*e.*      *Color all the water areas of the map blue.  Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, Nile River, Euphrates River and Tigris River.*

*f.*        *Go to*[*http://www.indo.com/distance/*](http://www.indo.com/distance/)*to calculate distance from your town to Hebron.  Hebron is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ miles from my town of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.  Add this info to the corner of your map.  Add map to your lapbook.*

*g.*      *What country is Hebron in today?  Palestine (West Bank).*

*h.*      *Discuss with your child the places where Prophet Ishaq may have gone.  What countries are there now?  Palestine, Israel, Jordan, Syria, Egypt, Iraq, Turkey.  Label them.*

*i.*        *Go to*[*http://www.palestineremembered.com/Acre/Maps/Story584.html*](http://www.palestineremembered.com/Acre/Maps/Story584.html)*(drawn) or*[*http://www.palestineremembered.com/Maps/ShuttleArialViewOfPalestiner.jpg*](http://www.palestineremembered.com/Maps/ShuttleArialViewOfPalestiner.jpg)*(satellite photo shows land terraincool!) and discuss the topography and how easy or difficult it must have been to traverse those areas.*

***5.***      ***Hebron Today***

*a.*      *Check out Hebrons history at*[*http://www.factmonster.com/ce6/world/A0823163.html*](http://www.factmonster.com/ce6/world/A0823163.html)*.*

*b.*      *See pictures of sites in Hebron, go to:*

*i.*      [*http://holylandphotos.org/thumbs.asp?SiteID=79*](http://holylandphotos.org/thumbs.asp?SiteID=79)

*ii.*      [*http://www.ancientsandals.com/pictures/hebron.htm*](http://www.ancientsandals.com/pictures/hebron.htm)

*iii.*      [*http://community.webshots.com/album/7934354ZxqbyKOhUm*](http://community.webshots.com/album/7934354ZxqbyKOhUm)

*c.*      *Pick out some photos above to add to your Hebron Today minitbook.*

*d.*      *Who lives in Hebron today?  Muslim, Jewish and Christian Palestinians.  Israeli (Jewish) settlers (go to*[*http://www.fmep.org/images/maps/map0005\_1.gif*](http://www.fmep.org/images/maps/map0005_1.gif)*).*

***6.***      ***Activity***

*a.*      *Add Prophet Ishaq to your Prophet Tree*

*b.*      *Go to*[*http://www.visit-*](http://www.visit-palestine.com/hebron/places/today.htm)[*palestine.com/hebron/places/today.htm*](http://www.visit-palestine.com/hebron/places/today.htm)*.  Draw pictures of the things you could buy in a souq/market in Hebron.  Cut them out and put them in a basket lapbook*

*c.*      *Do a Word Search Puzzle*

*d.*      *Do the Quiz below and add it to your lapbook.*

*e.*      *Ancient Hebron was famous for glass blowing.  Their beads were traded in cities far away and were valuable because they were beautiful and small which made them easy to carry.  Make ancient Hebron beads (see sample at*[*http://www.bcgalleries.com.au/05837.html*](http://www.bcgalleries.com.au/05837.html)*).  Get clear glass beads from a craft or bead store or make your own beads with the recipe below.  Decorate them with glass paint or nail polish.  String them on a leather thong. Another option is to buy beads and make a necklace or bracelet.*

*Jewelry Clay For Kids  
  
3/4 cup Flour  
1/2 cup Salt  
1/2 cup Cornstarch  
Warm Water  
  
Mix flour, salt and cornstarch together.  
Gradually add warm water until the mixture can be  
kneaded into shapes. Make beads by rolling the  
dough into little balls, Make holes by piercing  
the balls with toothpicks. Allow these to air dry.  
Paint and string the beads as desired.*

*g.*      *Make a seal-stamp (go to*[*http://groups.yahoo.com/group/islamforchildren/files/Prophet%20Ishaq%20%28Isaac%29%20-%20asws/ancient%20palestine%20seal%20stamp.bmp*](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/islamforchildren/files/Prophet%20Ishaq%20%28Isaac%29%20-%20asws/ancient%20palestine%20seal%20stamp.bmp)*for a sample photo) using cornstarch dough:*

Cornstarch Dough

*1 cup baking soda  
1/2 cup water  
1/2 cup cornstarch  
  
- mix soda, water and cornstarch in a saucepan  
- cook over low heat and stir until mixture becomes very thick  
- add food colouring if desired  
- cool and knead until it's smooth  
- model into figures or roll out dough and cut shapes  
- let dry. Figures can be painted and shellacked  
- store the dough in a plastic bag in the refrigerator.*

*Use seal to make stamped cookies (go to*[*http://www.baking911.com/cookies\_molded.htm#cookie%20stamps*](http://www.baking911.com/cookies_molded.htm#cookie%20stamps)*for the recipe).  Seals would have traditionally been used as a signature marking on written material or items made by a craftsman.  Your seal can also be used to seal a letter using melted wax.*

*h.*      *Make sandals and pretend you are walking in Ancient Palestine telling people about Allah.  What would you tell them?  Take a photo and add it to your lapbook.  Its a bit too late on the timeline but you can get a pattern at*[*http://www.birkana.org.uk/shoes.htm*](http://www.birkana.org.uk/shoes.htm)*.  Also wrong time period but the idea is therecheck out Classical Kids: An Activity Guide to Life in Ancient Greece and Rome by Laurie Carlson.  Theres a pattern in there to weave your own sandals.*

*i.*        *Write a story that has a miracle in it.  Put it in your lapbook.*

*l.*         *Go to an airlines website and plan a trip to Hebron.  What flights will you take?  Find a hotel in Hebron?  What sites will you see there?  How much will your trip cost?  Whats the weather like there?  Will you need to pack a jacket?  Find the closest masjid to your hotel.*

*m. Do the Word Search below.*

***Prophet Ishaq Quiz***

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Ibrahim | eyesight | old | miracle |
| traveled | Sarah | Hebron | angels |
| Rebecca | Esau | Yaqub |  |

*Fill in the blanks with the word from the above list.*

*1.*      *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was Prophet Ishaqs father.*

*2.*      *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was Prophet Ishaqs mother.*

*3.*      *Prophet Ibrahim and Sarah \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when Ishaq was born.*

*4.*      *Some \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ came to visit Prophet Ibrahim and Sarah.  They told them that they would have a son named Ishaq and a grandson named Yaqub.*

*5.*      *Prophet Ishaqs birth was a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*

*6.*      *Prophet Ishaq \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from place to place and told many people about Allah.*

*7.*      *Prophet Ishaq was known for his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*

*8.*      *Prophet Ishaq married \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, who was his uncles grand-daughter.*

*9.*      *Prophet Ishaq and Rebecca had twin boys named \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*

*10.* *At old age Prophet Ishaq suffered from poor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*

*11.* *Prophet Ishaq died in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at 180 years old.  He was buried beside his father in mother.*

***Prophet Ishaq Word Search***

*I O Y Z P A G A U S Y V B X D A L D R G T H*

*Q A J W A X C N A F M A R N Q J D R E Q K N*

*P X P X L C N R E C A W K X K M H N Z A E X*

*H X H N E A A I Q V T E X X F O E G X P Q P*

*I C A B S H Z T I A E W R J F R S C M H S U*

*O O E I T P K R M D H B E W O U A S E P Z N*

*E R S M I H A R B I P R I U A R N Q G H K P*

*V L S O N D W C I K O M S G F X U C O H J F*

*V E C A E Q S D N F R X Z A V U G M B R A E*

*E Y W A Z C T F F Y P T S J Q I E R U U L E*

*T Z T R R D E E N L B M B Y V Y D Z S J E B*

*D K F K S I G P Z D X F X N A J A B W O Z F*

*K X C V A X M I V M V R J Q A Q B R I S L I*

*G W D S T Q P S J F V B D N Z M O I P D E D*

*Z R J R K I Q H H L U V D A G F X U D T N A*

*Z S E Q K V Y A H E B R O N F J D N B D A J*

*R R T J K H O Q E P A T X S B V E S Z P P M*

*R O S H Z P Z O H U F T O Q Y W L K N U W T*

*A D P P P E H J C G O J X C S F W U B A W Q*

*G K E O E V L L R H R B Y G R A V R J Z T P*

*Z I G N X U V N Z K Q I G A X P Q O G R C Z*

*M N A F N T N H O B R C P V B Z C F A Q Q H*

*ESAU*

*GENEROUS*

*HEBRON*

*IBRAHIM*

*ISHAQ*

*MIRACLE*

*PALESTINE*

*PRAY*

*PROPHET*

*REBECCA*

*SARAH*

*YAQOUB*

***Hadith References***

*Bukhari Volume 4, Book 55, Number 590:*

*Narrated Ibn 'Abbas:*

*The Prophet used to seek Refuge with Allah for Al-Hasan and Al-Husain and say: "Your forefather (i.e. Abraham) used to seek Refuge with Allah for Ishmael and Isaac by reciting the following: 'O Allah! I seek Refuge with Your Perfect Words from every devil and from poisonous pests and from every evil, harmful, envious eye.' "*

*Bukhari Volume 6, Book 60, Number 210:*

*Narrated 'Abdullah bin Umar:*

*The Prophet said, "The honorable, the son of the honorable the son of the honorable, i.e. Joseph, the son of Jacob, the son of Isaac, the son of Abraham."*

***Quran References***

*This is the story of how Prophet Ibrahim, peace be upon him, was told to be a Muslim, meaning to submit to Allah.  Prophet Ibrahim taught submission to his children and his children to their children.  Allah is giving Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, an answer to the Jews and Christians by telling them that the Muslims are the ones who carry the tradition of truth and belief in One God.*

*002.130-136 (translation by Shakir)*

*And who forsakes the religion of Ibrahim but he who makes himself a fool, and most certainly We chose him in this world, and in the hereafter he is most surely among the righteous.*

*When his Lord said to him, Be a Muslim, he said: I submit myself to the Lord of the worlds.*

*And the same did Ibrahim enjoin on his sons and (so did) Yaqoub. O my sons! surely Allah has chosen for you (this) faith, therefore die not unless you are Muslims.*

*Nay! were you witnesses when death visited Yaqoub, when he said to his sons: What will you serve after me? They said: We will serve your god and the god of your fathers, Ibrahim and Ismail and Ishaq, one Allah only, and to Him do we submit.*

*This is a people that have passed away; they shall have what they earned and you shall have what you earn, and you shall not be called upon to answer for what they did.*

*And they say: Be Jews or Christians, you will be on the right course. Say: Nay! (we follow) the religion of Ibrahim, the Hanif, and he was not one of the polytheists.*

*Say: We believe in Allah and (in) that which had been revealed to us, and (in) that which was revealed to Ibrahim and Ismail and Ishaq and Yaqoub and the tribes, and (in) that which was given to Musa and Isa, and (in) that which was given to the prophets from their Lord, we do not make any distinction between any of them, and to Him do we submit.*

*002.140 (translation by Shakir)*

*Nay! do you say that Ibrahim and Ismail and Yaqoub and the tribes were Jews or Christians? Say: Are you better knowing or Allah? And who is more unjust than he who conceals a testimony that he has from Allah? And Allah is not at all heedless of what you do.*

*These ayats serve as a reiteration of the fact that Islam (submission to Allah) is not a new religion but rather the truth that was given to Ibrahim and his progeny, including Ismail, Ishaq, Yaqoub and the tribes.  Allah also states that Allah has made a covenant through the prophets.  This covenant is Allahs promise that if the people believe in Allah, Allah will reward them with Paradise.   What is also important in modern dialogue is the ayat regarding there being no distinction between the prophets.  Muslims regard them all as equal.*

*003.081-085 (translation by Shakir)*

*And when Allah made a covenant through the prophets: Certainly what I have given you of Book and wisdom-- then a messenger comes to you verifying that which is with you, you must believe in him, and you must aid him. He said: Do you affirm and accept My compact in this (matter)? They said: We do affirm. He said: Then bear witness, and I (too) am of the bearers of witness with you.*

*Whoever therefore turns back after this, these it is that are the transgressors.*

*Is it then other than Allah's religion that they seek (to follow), and to Him submits whoever is in the heavens and the earth, willingly or unwillingly, and to Him shall they be returned.*

*Say: We believe in Allah and what has been revealed to us, and what was revealed to Ibrahim and Ismail and Ishaq and Yaqoub and the tribes, and what was given to Musa and Isa and to the prophets from their Lord; we do not make any distinction between any of them, and to Him do we submit.*

*And whoever desires a religion other than Islam, it shall not be accepted from him, and in the hereafter he shall be one of the losers.*

*Another reminder from Allah that Islam is not new but rather what was taught to all the prophets.*

*004.163-165       (translation by Shakir)*

*Surely We have revealed to you as We revealed to Nuh, and the prophets after him, and We revealed to Ibrahim and Ismail and Ishaq and Yaqoub and the tribes, and Isa and Ayub and Yunus and Haroun and Sulaiman and We gave to Dawood*

*And (We sent) messengers We have mentioned to you before and messengers we have not mentioned to you; and to Musa, Allah addressed His Word, speaking (to him):*

*(We sent) messengers as the givers of good news and as warners, so that people should not have a plea against Allah after the (coming of) messengers; and Allah is Mighty, Wise.*

*Allah is telling us that Allah guided the prophets, including Ishaq, Yaqoub, Nuh (and his descendants), Dawud, Sulaiman, Ayub, Yusuf, Haroun, Zakariya, Yahya, Isa, Ilyas, Ismail, Al Yasa, Yunus, and Lut, peace be upon them all.  Allah says that every prophet was good and was rewarded for their good to others.*

*006.082-088 (translation by Shakir)*

*Those who believe and do not mix up their faith with iniquity, those are they who shall have the security and they are those who go aright.*

*And this was Our argument which we gave to Ibrahim against his people; We exalt in dignity whom We please; surely your Lord is Wise, Knowing.*

*And We gave to him Ishaq and Yaqoub; each did We guide, and Nuh did We guide before, and of his descendants, Dawood and Sulaiman and Ayub and Yusuf and Haroun; and thus do We reward those who do good (to others).*

*And Zakariya and Yahya and Isa and Ilyas; every one was of the good;*

*And Ismail and Al-Yasa and Yunus and Lut; and every one We made to excel (in) the worlds:*

*And from among their fathers and their descendants and their brethren, and We chose them and guided them into the right way.*

*This is Allah's guidance, He guides thereby whom He pleases of His servants; and if they had set up others (with Him), certainly what they did would have become ineffectual for them.*

*This is the story of the angels coming to Prophet Ibrahim, peace be upon him, and Sarah giving them good news of a son named Ishaq and a grandson named Yaqoub.*

*011.069-072 (translation by Shakir)*

*And certainly Our messengers came to Ibrahim with good news. They said: Peace. Peace, said he, and he made no delay in bringing a roasted calf.*

*But when he saw that their hands were not extended towards it, he deemed them strange and conceived fear of them. . They said: Fear not, surely we are sent to Lut's people.*

*And his wife was standing (by), so she laughed, then We gave her the good news of Ishaq and after Ishaq of (a son's son) Yaqoub.*

*She said: O wonder! shall I bear a son when I am an extremely old woman and this my husband an extremely old man? Most surely this is a wonderful thing.*

*014.039-040 (translation by Shakir)*

*Praise be to Allah, Who has given me in old age Ismail and Ishaq; most surely my Lord is the Hearer of prayer:*

*My Lord! make me keep up prayer and from my offspring (too), O our Lord, and accept my prayer:*

*This is the story of Prophet Ibrahim, peace be upon him, confronting his father about giving up the worship of idols and accepting the worship of Allah.  And of how Prophet Ibrahim withdrew from his idol-worshipping community.  At that time Allah gave him Ishaq and Yaqoub, which Allah both made a prophet.  Allah gave them mercy.*

*019.041-050 (translation by Shakir)*

*And mention Ibrahim in the Book; surely he was a truthful man, a prophet.*

*When he said to his father; O my father! why do you worship what neither hears nor sees, nor does it avail you in the least:*

*O my father! truly the knowledge has come to me which has not come to you, therefore follow me, I will guide you on a right path:*

*O my father! serve not the Shaitan, surely the Shaitan is disobedient to the Beneficent Allah:*

*O my father! surely I fear that a punishment from the Beneficent Allah should afflict you so that you should be a friend of the Shaitan.*

*He said: Do you dislike my gods, O Ibrahim? If you do not desist I will certainly revile you, and leave me for a time.*

*He said: Peace be on you, I will pray to my Lord to forgive you; surely He is ever Affectionate to me:*

*And I will withdraw from you and what you call on besides Allah, and I will call upon my Lord; may be I shall not remain unblessed in calling upon my Lord.*

*So when he withdrew from them and what they worshipped besides Allah, We gave to him Ishaq and Yaqoub, and each one of them We made a prophet.*

*And We granted to them of Our mercy, and We left (behind them) a truthful mention of eminence for them.*

*This is another version of Prophet Ibrahim, peace be upon him, confronting his father about his fathers belief in idols.  It also tells of how the young Prophet Ibrahim broke the idols and showed the people the wrong and illogic of belief in idols.  These ayats tell of how the people tried to burn Prophet Ibrahim but Allah made it a comfort and peace to him.  These ayats also tell of how Allah gave Prophet Ibrahim sons and grandsons whom Allah made good and imams who were guided.  Allah revealed to them the prayer and alms and how to do good.  Allah reminds us that it was only Allah they served.*

*021.051-073 (translation by Shakir)*

*And certainly We gave to Ibrahim his rectitude before, and We knew him fully well.*

*When he said to his father and his people: What are these images to whose worship you cleave?*

*They said: We found our fathers worshipping them.*

*He said: Certainly you have been, (both) you and your fathers, in manifest error.*

*They said: Have you brought to us the truth, or are you one of the triflers?*

*He said: Nay! your Lord is the Lord of the heavens and the earth, Who brought them into existence, and I am of those who bear witness to this:*

*And, by Allah! I will certainly do something against your idols after you go away, turning back.*

*So he broke them into pieces, except the chief of them, that haply they may return to it.*

*They said: Who has done this to our gods? Most surely he is one of the unjust.*

*They said: We heard a youth called Ibrahim speak of them.*

*Said they: Then bring him before the eyes of the people, perhaps they may bear witness.*

*They said: Have you done this to our gods, O Ibrahim?*

*He said: Surely (some doer) has done it; the chief of them is this, therefore ask them, if they can speak.*

*Then they turned to themselves and said: Surely you yourselves are the unjust;*

*Then they were made to hang down their heads: Certainly you know that they do not speak.*

*He said: What! do you then serve besides Allah what brings you not any benefit at all, nor does it harm you?*

*Fie on you and on what you serve besides Allah; what! do you not then understand?*

*They said: Burn him and help your gods, if you are going to do (anything).*

*We said: O fire! be a comfort and peace to Ibrahim;*

*And they desired a war on him, but We made them the greatest losers.*

*And We delivered him as well as Lut (removing them) to the land which We had blessed for all people.*

*And We gave him Ishaq and Yaqoub, a son's son, and We made (them) all good.*

*And We made them Imams who guided (people) by Our command, and We revealed to them the doing of good and the keeping up of prayer and the giving of the alms, and Us (alone) did they serve;*

*These ayats tell of how Allah gave prophethood and revelation (books) to Prophet Ibrahim, peace be upon him.*

*029.027 (translation by Shakir)*

*And We granted him Ishaq and Yaqoub, and caused the prophethood and the book to remain in his seed, and We gave him his reward in this world, and in the hereafter he will most surely be among the good.*

*These ayats tell of how Prophet Ibrahim, Ishaq and Yaqoub, peace be upon them all, were men of power and insight and how Allah made them pure and they were chosen and the best of men.*

*038.045-047 (translation by Shakir)*

*And remember Our servants Ibrahim and Ishaq and Yaqoub, men of power and insight.*

*Surely We purified them by a pure quality, the keeping m mind of the (final) abode.*

*And most surely they were with Us, of the elect, the best.*