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## Prayer Service In Islam

*The following prayer is for the Messenger of Allah: "O Allah make Muhammad successful and the true followers of Muhammad successful as Thou did make Abraham successful and the true followers of Abraham successful. For surely Thou art praised and magnified in our midst. O Allah bless Muhammad and the true followers of Muhammad as Thou did bless Abraham and the true followers of Abraham. Surely Thou art praised and magnified in our midst."*

In the above prayer, the Believers of the Lost and Found members of a great nation pray for the Messenger whom Allah (God) has raised among them; a guide to the lost and now found path of Allah. For 400 years they had been wandering in darkness, blinded by the touch of Satan, the devil.

But now the light of Allah has shown upon them and they have turned themselves now to Him. And have submitted to Allah to do His will, being blessed as the Jews and the Arabs were, to have a Messenger born in their midst to teach and guide his people into the spirit and knowledge of his Teacher, Almighty God, Allah, in Person.

The Believers are not satisfied with prayers and seeking refuge in Allah without asking a word of prayer for the success and blessings of Allah upon the Messenger and his followers whom Allah has so abundantly bestowed upon them "the answer to Abraham's prayer:" that he raise a Messenger from among them that he may teach the wisdom of the Book (Bible) to so many of them who do not under-

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stand the very book (Bible) in which they think they believe, but without the true knowledge or understanding of the scriptures of Moses and Jesus.

Therefore, a correction must come to them in the way of true understanding of these scriptures in which their history is constantly referred to in the mentioning of the Jews and Christians through the Prophets that were sent to them.

The Orthodox Muslims think this refers to Arabia and that Muhammad (may the peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) of nearly 1400 years ago was the one fulfilling the answer to Abraham's prayers. But if they look at it again and ponder over it, it is like their belief in thinking that Muhammad of nearly 1400 years ago was a prophet like Moses, that Moses prophesied of in Deut. 18:18. But they forget that Moses was a man who was raised in the house of bondage under a king who held him and his people in bondage to him and to his false worship of God and religion. And he desired no one to interfere with his teachings given to his slaves. This was his fear, according to the Holy Qur-an, that Moses would change the religion.

The Orthodox Muslims think this was fulfilled in the Meccans' opposition against Muhammad. Not so! He does not compare with the prophecy of a man like Moses, for there was no king singled out who opposed Muhammad in Mecca. There was no separation of the Arabs from any slave masters and a destruction of the slave masters. It was a certain class of people of science.

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