

# Build Your Jannah Series for children

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## Episode 3: A page from the life of Sulayman, peace be upon him

1. Is there a difference between a Prophet and a Messenger, if so, what is the difference?
2. Name three Messengers.
3. Which Prophet is this session about?
4. Name three surah's in the Qur'an that mention the story of the Prophet Sulayman, alayhis salam (peace be upon him).
5. Why was Sulayman a special Prophet?
6. Which special dua' did the Prophet Sulayman make to Allah?
7. Allah, subhanahu wa ta'ala, answered his dua'; what did Allah give him?
8. Allah also gave Sulayman control; He gave him control over birds, mankind and ....?
9. What are jinn?
10. Allah also gave Sulayman control over something in nature, what was it?
11. Allah gave Sulayman a river out of flowing ..... (which type of metal)?
12. One day Sulayman and his army were walking, which animal called out to the others to seek cover from the army?
13. Sulayman heard this animal speak and smiled. He felt blessed and humble and realised Allah gave him all these presents to see if he would be humble and grateful. What should you do when you get a present, or Allah makes you good in something?
14. Sulayman then made a dua' asking Allah for three things; which three things did he ask?
15. One day a bird was missing from Sulayman's Kingdom; what was the name of the bird (in Arabic and English?)
16. Where did the bird go? Name the name of the land and also where in the world it was.
17. In which country was Sulayman?
18. What did the bird see people doing there? And what did the bird do?
19. Sulayman sent the bird with a letter for the Queen, what was her name?
20. With which words did Sulayman start his letter and what did he ask from the Queen in his letter?

21. How did the queen reply?
22. What did Sulayman ask the jinns to do? How fast did one manage to complete the task?
23. What type of floor did the palace of Sulayman have?
24. Did the Queen become Muslim in the end?
25. Who was the father of the Prophet Sulayman?

## **Lessons to learn:**

### **1. You are never too small or too weak to do great things!**

If a hoopoo bird can make a whole nation worship Allah; imagine what you can do. You are bigger than a Hoopoo bird! You can go to your parents and say: 'I want to do something amazing.' Maybe you see orphans who don't have food; you can go to someone who can help you, help them. Go to them and ask them to help; go to your parents, teachers, or other family members.

### **2. It is not a bad thing to be rich.**

To be a good Muslim doesn't mean you have to be poor and you can't be rich. You have to keep all the things you have in your hand, and not in your heart. When someone needs help, help them with your money or with your car etc. Only keep Allah in your heart, and say: 'Thank you Allah for my money and my car etc and please help me use them to help others.'

### **3. Make sure you thank Allah for all your blessings.**

Always be grateful to Allah for all the presents He gave you; your eyes, hand, feet, ears, your toys etc. Always say thank you to Allah, alhamdulillah, for all the things He gave to you.

### **4. You can ask Allah for anything you want.**

As long as it is something that Allah says He can give us and not things Allah said He can't give to us. For example you can't fly with just your hands, or live forever without eating any food or drink. So those aren't good things to ask for. Sulayman asked for a present no one ever will have. You can ask for anything you want, that Allah told us He can give us.

## **HOMEWORK:**

1. Ask your parents to teach you how to make dua.
2. Tell your parents you want to do something amazing and ask your parents to help you.