

Who broke the idols?

Story two

Hadhrat Ibrahim^{as} disliked idols so much that once he went to the temple where the idols were kept and using an axe he began to chop up the idols. All the idols were broken to pieces, however he left the chief idol standing. Hadhrat Ibrahim^{as} then placed the axe around its neck!



When his people saw what had happened they were furious. It must be Ibrahim, they thought. They questioned Hadhrat Ibrahim^{as} saying “who did this to the idols?” he replied “ask the chief idol”.

The people around him looked a little embarrassed, “you know they cannot speak” they said angrily.

Ask the chief idol?



“Then why do you worship them instead of Allah?” asked Hadhrat Ibrahim^{as}. No one had an answer to this.

The elders were furious; they decided that Hadhrat Ibrahim^{as} should be punished for what he had done. So they built a fire and threw Hadhrat Ibrahim^{as} into it.



Allah Taala would not let his prophet be hurt in this way so he commanded the fire to be cool for Hadhrat Ibrahim^{as}. Amazingly Hadhrat Ibrahim^{as} came out of the fire completely unharmed, not a single flame had touched his body! The people could not understand how this could happen. They did not know that Allah helps those who love and trust Him. Whenever Hadhrat Ibrahim^{as} was in any kind of trouble he would pray to Allah for help and Allah Taala would always answer his prayers.

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