THE STORY OF PROPHET SULAIMAN (Alaihi salaam) & THE QUEEN OF SABA' (SHEBA)

One day, Prophet Sulaiman noticed that hud-hud bird was missing during a large gathering of army (an-naml 27:20)

Being a just king, Prophet Sulaiman gave hud-hud a chance to explain his absence (an-naml 27:21)

The hud-hud informed that he discovered about the queen of Saba', a woman who ruled the people in Yemen. She had a great throne. (an-naml 27:22 – 27:23)

He instructed the little bird to fly to Saba' to deliver a letter to the queen (an-naml 27:27-28) Balqees the queen of Saba' was worshipping the sun instead of Allah (an-naml 27:24)

> The letter contained an invitation to accept Islam (an-naml 27:29-31)

She sent her emissaries to Prophet Sulaiman with gifts to establish friendship and as a bribe for him not to attack them. (an-naml 27:36) Prophet Sulaiman wished to perform jihad to spread the religion of Allah, calling them to worship Allah alone (an-Naml 27:37)

Prophet Sulaiman instructed the jinns to bring her throne to his kingdom as a tool to show the power of Allah to her. He was grateful for that. (an-naml 27:38 -27:40) Prophet Sulaiman ordered the construction of a grand palace built of glass or crystal (an-naml 27:44)

Balqees the queen of Saba' became Muslim voluntarily (an-Naml 27:44)

Tafsir Ibn Kathir Surah An Naml (20-44)

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