

10551 - Who Was the First Prophet?

the question

I would like to know if Adam -Peace be upon him- was a prophet and if he was not, who was our first prophet? Basically, the origin and the history of Islam.

Summary of answer

Prophet Adam, the father of mankind, was a Prophet, so he was the first of the Prophets and Prophet Nuh was the first of the Messengers of Allah.

Detailed answer

Adam (peace be upon him) was the first of the Prophets, as it says in the Hadith narrated by Ibn Hibban in his Sahih, that the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) was asked about Adam – was he a Prophet? He said, “Yes, a Prophet to whom Allah spoke.” But he was not a Messenger, because of the Hadith about intercession in which it says that the people will go to Nuh (peace be upon him) and say to him, “You are the first Messenger whom Allah sent to the earth.”

This text clearly indicates that Nuh (peace be upon him) was the first of the Messengers. And Allah knows best.” (Majmu` Fatawa Ibn `Uthaymin, 1/317)

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