

Muhammad's Genealogy in Jewish and Muslim Sources

The official biography of Muhammad called *al-Sīra al-Nabawiyya* begins with a genealogy that connects the Prophet directly to Ishmael and through Ishmael to Abraham and Adam. Because Muhammad was a member of the Hijazi tribe of Quraysh, the genealogy effectively connects all the Arabs in the region of Mecca to the biblical narrative. Muhammad's prophethood is thus not only spiritually consistent with biblical prophecy, according to Islamic belief it is also historically and even genetically consistent.

<p>Genesis</p> <p>¹⁰These are the generations of Shem. Shem was 100 years old when he begot Arpakhshad, two years after the flood....</p> <p>¹²Arpakhshad lived 35 years and begat Shelach...¹⁴Shelach lived 30 years and begat Ever....¹⁶Ever lived 34 years and begat Peleg...¹⁸Peleg lived 30 years and begat Re`u....²⁰Re`u lived 32 years and begat Serug....²²Serug lived 30 years and begat Nahor....²⁴Nahor lived 29 years and begat Terach....²⁶Terach lived 70 years and begat Avram, Nahor and Haran.²⁷These are the generations of Terach: Terach begat Avram, Nahor and Haran, and Haran begat Lot.²⁸Haran died before his father Terach in the land of his berth in Ur Kasdim.</p> <p>²⁹Avram and Nahor took wives. The name of Avram's wife is Saray and the name of Nahor's wife is Milkah bat Haran the father of Milkah and Yiskah.</p>	<p>בראשית</p> <p>(י) אֱלֹהִים תּוֹלְדֵת שֵׁם שֵׁם בֶּן מֵאָת שָׁנָה וַיּוֹלֵד אֶת אַרְפַּכְשָׁד שְׁנַתִּים אַחֲרַיִם הַמַּבּוּל.... (יב) וְאַרְפַּכְשָׁד חֵי חֲמִשָּׁה וּשְׁלֹשִׁים שָׁנָה וַיּוֹלֵד אֶת שֵׁלַח.... (יד) וּשְׁלַח חֵי שְׁלֹשִׁים שָׁנָה וַיּוֹלֵד אֶת עֵבֶר.... (טז) וַיְחִי עֵבֶר אַרְבַּע וּשְׁלֹשִׁים שָׁנָה וַיּוֹלֵד אֶת פֶּלֶג. (יח) וַיְחִי פֶלֶג שְׁלֹשִׁים שָׁנָה וַיּוֹלֵד אֶת רְעוּ.... (כ) וַיְחִי רְעוּ שְׁתַּיִם וּשְׁלֹשִׁים שָׁנָה וַיּוֹלֵד אֶת שְׂרוּג.... (כב) וַיְחִי שְׂרוּג שְׁלֹשִׁים שָׁנָה וַיּוֹלֵד אֶת נְחוֹר.... (כד) וַיְחִי נְחוֹר תְּשַׁע וָעֶשְׂרִים שָׁנָה וַיּוֹלֵד אֶת תֵּרַח.... (כו) וַיְחִי תֵרַח שִׁבְעִים שָׁנָה וַיּוֹלֵד אֶת אַבְרָם אֶת אֶבְרָם אֶת נְחוֹר וְאֶת הָרָן וְאֶת הָרָן הוֹלִיד אֶת לוֹט: (כח) וַיָּמָת הָרָן עַל פְּנֵי תֵרַח אָבִיו בְּאֶרֶץ מוֹלְדֹתוֹ בְּאוּר כְּשָׂדִים: (כט) וַיִּקַּח אַבְרָם וְנְחוֹר לָהֶם נָשִׁים שֵׁם אִשְׁתֵּי אַבְרָם שָׂרַי וְשֵׁם אִשְׁתֵּי נְחוֹר מִלְכָּה בַת הָרָן אִבִּי מִלְכָּה וְאִבִּי יִסְכָּה:</p>
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Muhammad b. Ishaq, *al-Sīra al-Nabawiyya*.

This is the book of the biography of the messenger of God.

Muhammad was the son of `Abdullah b. `Abd al-Muṭṭalib (whose name was Shayba), b. Hāshim (whose name was `Amr) b. `Abd al-Manāf (whose name was Mughīra) b. Quṣayy (whose name was Zayd) b. Kilāb b. Murra b. Ka`b b. Lu`ayy b. Ghālib b. Fihr b. Mālik b. al-Na`er b. Kināna b. Khuzayma b. Mudrika (whose name was `Āmir) b. Ilyās b. Mu`ar b. Nizār b. Ma`add b. `Adnān b. Udd b. Muqawwa b. Nāhūr b. Tayraḥ b. Ya`rub b. Yashjub b. Nābit b. **Ismā`īl** b. **Ibrāhīm** the friend of the Compassionate b. **Tārīḥ** (who is Āzar) b. **Nāhūr** b. **Sārūgh** b. **Rā`ū** b. **Fālikh** b. **`Aybar** b. **Shālikh** b. **Arfakhshadh** b. **Sām** b. **Nūḥ** b. **Lamk** b. **Mattūshalakh** b. **Akhnukh** who is the prophet Idrīs according to what they allege, but God knows best (he was the first of the sons of Adam to whom prophecy and writing with a pen were given) b. **Yard** b. **Mahlīl** b. **Qaynan** b. **Yānish** b. **Shīth** b. **Adam**

<u>Genesis 5:1-32, 11:10-26</u>	<u>al-Sīra al-Nabawiyva</u>	<u>בראשית ה' & יא'</u>
Adam	Adam	אָדָם
Seth	Shīth	שֵׁת
Enosh	Yānish	אֵנוֹשׁ
Kenan	Qaynan	קַיִן
Mahalel	Mahlīl	מַהֲלֵל
Jared	Yard	יָרֵד
Enoch	Akhnukh	חֲנוֹךְ
Methuselah	Mattūshalakh	מֵתוּשֶׁלַח
Lamekh	Lamk	לָמֶךְ
Noah	Nūh	נֹחַ
Shem	Sām	שֵׁם
Arpachshad	Arfakhshadh	אַרְפַּכְשָׁד
Shelah	Shālikh	שֵׁלַח
Eber	`Aybar	עֵבֶר
Peleg	Fālikh	פֶּלֶג
Re`u	Rā`ū	רְעוּ
Serug	Sārūgh	שְׂרוּג
Nahor	Nāhūr	נַחֲוֹר
Terach	Tāriḥ	תֵּרַח
Avram	Ibrāhīm	אַבְרָם
Ishma`el	Ismā`īl	יִשְׁמָעֵאל
Nevayot	Nābit	נְבִיט
	Yashjub	
	Ya`rub	
	Tayrah	
	Nāhūr	
	Muqawwa	
	Udd	
	`Adnān	
	Ma`add	
	Nizār	
	Muḍar	
	Ilyās	
	Mudrika	
	Khuzayma	
	Kināna	
	al-Naḍr	
	Mālik	
	Fihr	
	Ghālib	
	Lu`ayy	
	Ka`b	
	Murra	
	Kilāb	
	Quṣayy	
	`Abd al-Manāf	
	`Abdullah	
	Muḥammad	