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# Prophet Muhammad (saw)

Human kind awaited the coming of the last prophet. The earth, the sky, in fact the entire universe waited. It was for this prophet that Allah created the entire universe in all its glory before. Lady Amina had a dream while she was a pregnant. In it she was told to name her baby “**Muhammad.**” The baby’s father, Abdullah was a descendant of Prophet Ismail. Sadly Abdullah died almost two months before baby Muhammad was born. Thus, when the last prophet opened his eyes to the world he was an orphan.

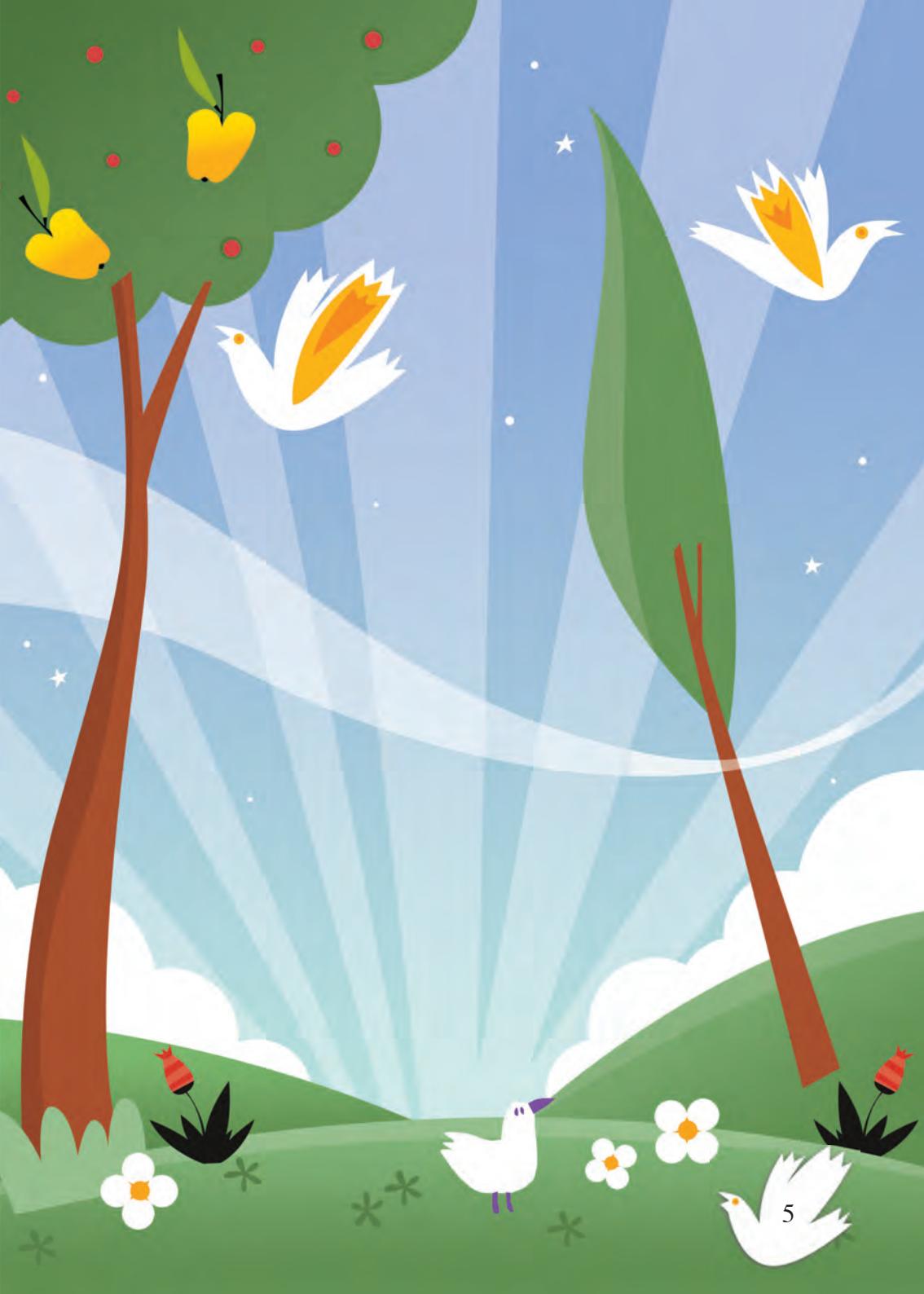


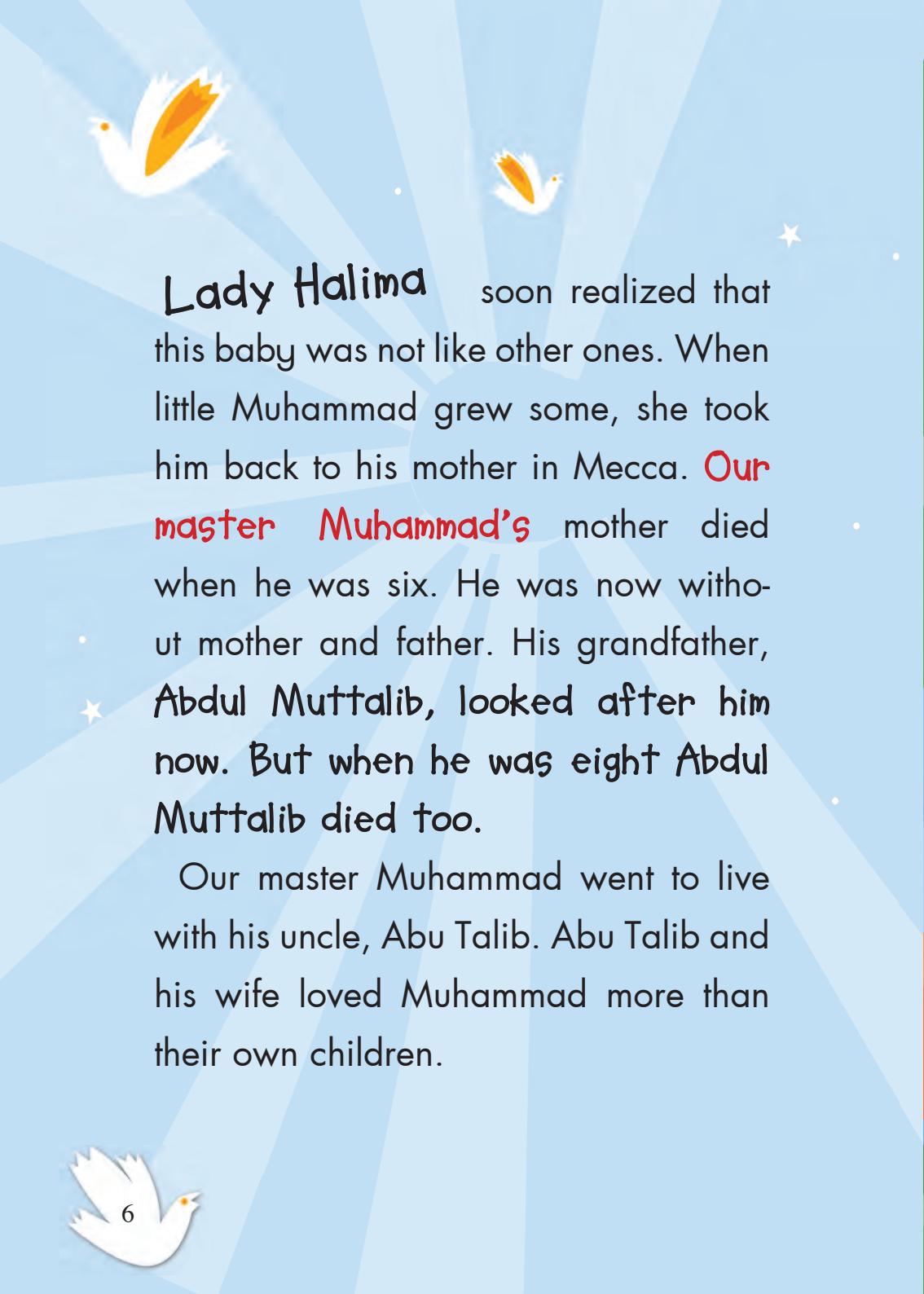


At the moment our master Muhammad was born the Angels came down to the earth. The whole universe was illuminated with light. All of creation was filled with excitement. Blessings rained down everywhere. The idols that people prayed to instead of the One God crumbled and fell. Allah sent **Prophet Muhammad** as a mercy to the universe!

According to Arab tradition, Lady Amina took baby Muhammad to a foster mother, who would raise him in the countryside. This foster mother, named Lady Halima, didn't have a family of her own.

**But blessings soon filled her home with the coming of this holy child.**





Lady Halima soon realized that this baby was not like other ones. When little Muhammad grew some, she took him back to his mother in Mecca. Our master Muhammad's mother died when he was six. He was now without mother and father. His grandfather, Abdul Muttalib, looked after him now. But when he was eight Abdul Muttalib died too.

Our master Muhammad went to live with his uncle, Abu Talib. Abu Talib and his wife loved Muhammad more than their own children.





They took very good care of him. Our master Muhammad was a very kind and responsible boy. He always tried his best to help his family. **He looked after his uncle's sheep for a year.**

When our master Muhammad was twelve, his uncle Abu Talib took him to Damascus to trade. The caravan stopped near a monastery close to Damascus. **Bahira** the Monk saw the caravan from a distance. He saw a cloud strangely following it. When the caravan camped under a tree, the cloud stopped.





The leaves of the tree turned green with life. **Bahira** watched the scene filled with wonder. All of it was a miracle! He sensed that the last prophet that all of the sacred books spoke of may have come. He invited the caravan to his monastery. • Abu Talib left our master Muhammad in the camp.

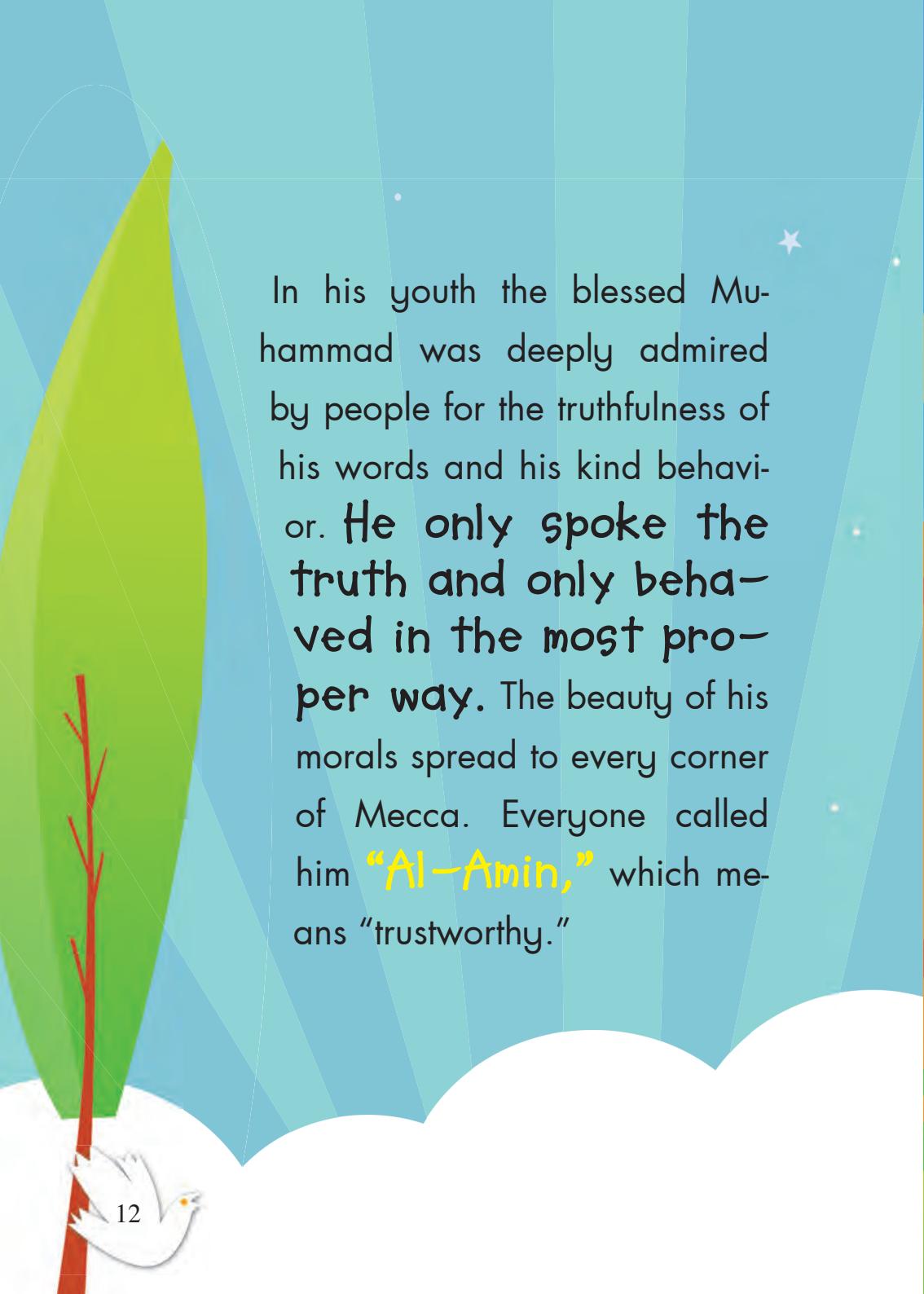
Bahira honored the men, but he couldn't find the holy sign that he was looking for on their faces. He looked to the tree and saw that the cloud was still there.





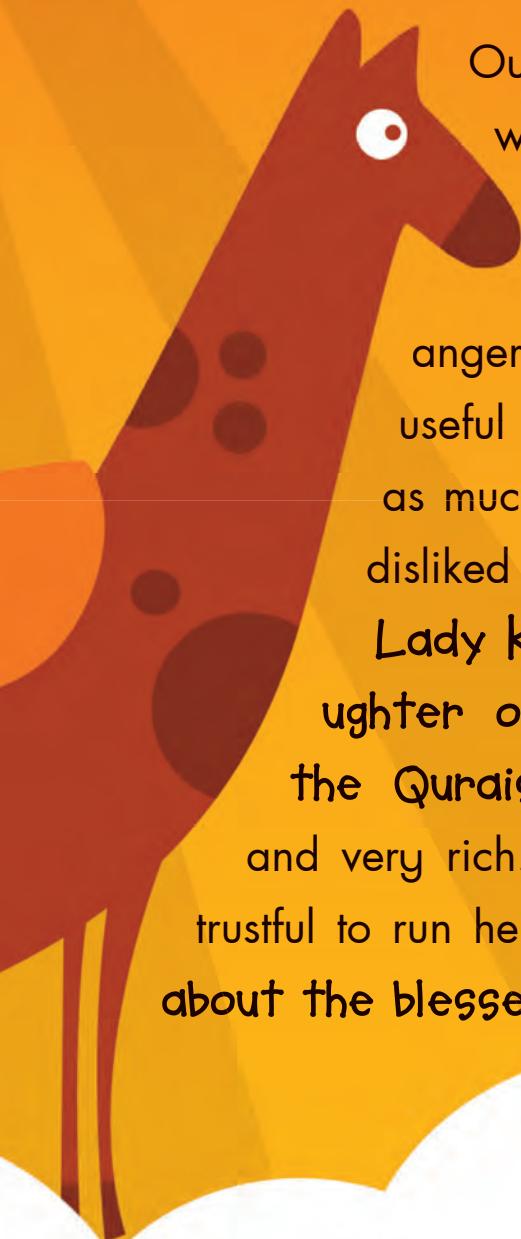
"Is there anyone left at the camp?" Bahira asked Abu Talib. "Yes. My nephew is there," replied Abu Talib.

Bahira asked for the boy to be brought. When he saw our master Muhammad's beautiful face, he realized that he was right. It was a face that shone with such glory that he had never seen before. Bahira became excited. He asked to see our master's blessed back. There he saw the "**Seal of Prophethood**" stamped between his shoulders. He told Abu Talib the good news.



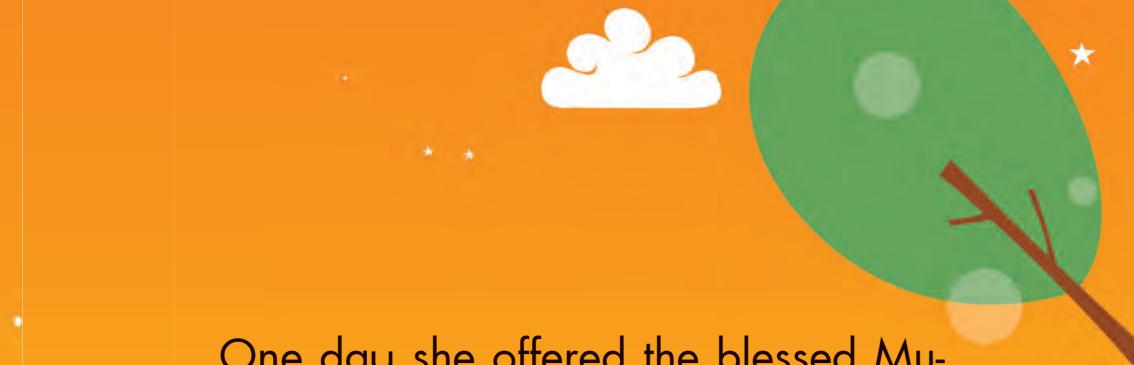
In his youth the blessed Muhammad was deeply admired by people for the truthfulness of his words and his kind behavior. He only spoke the truth and only behaved in the most proper way. The beauty of his morals spread to every corner of Mecca. Everyone called him “**Al-Amin**,” which means “trustworthy.”





Our blessed Muhammad was kind, understanding and patient. He kept far away from hatred and anger. He busied himself with useful things. He only spoke as much as he needed, for he disliked needless chatting.

Lady Khadija was the daughter of a noble family of the Quraish. She was a widow and very rich. She needed someone trustful to run her business. She heard about the blessed Muhammad.



One day she offered the blessed Muhammad a job and he accepted. The more she came to know his wonderful character, the more she began to love him.

The blessed Muhammad was unlike any man that Khadija knew. She discussed her feelings with her family.

Lady Khadija was the perfect wife for the blessed Muhammad. She also had the most beautiful morals. She protected and comforted him in hard times. She was the first person to convert to Islam.



Everyone suggested that they marry. Together they had six children: **Qasim**, **Abdullah**, **Zainab**, **Ruqayah**, **Umm Kulthum**, **Fatima**.

Once there was a flood that caused the walls of Ka'bah to fall down. The Meccans began to repair this holy house of Allah. They replaced each brick until they came to the **Black Stone**. Each tribe wanted to have the honor of putting this blessed stone back into its spot. People argued about this until an old man spoke up.

“O Meccans!” he said. “We will ask the next person to come by. We will obey what he decides.”

Everyone agreed, and everyone was glad to see that the next person to come by was Muhammad Al-Amin!

