

Comparative study of flood myth in the Holy Quran and the Bible

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Abstract The myth is usually an ancient story of seemingly historical events which its removal is to reveal a corner the global perspective of a nation, or to explain a custom, belief, or natural phenomenon. In most religions and rituals, the end of the world is emphasized by an incident involving a storm (great flood). The purpose of this thesis is to compare the flood myth in the Holy Quran and the Bible. Method of research is descriptive- analytical. The results showed that a great storm or flood had been flooded by the command of Allah to punish and destroy the people of Noah's time (AS). The Holy Qur'an has referred to Noah's storm 12 times. Noah's storm was not a regional issue but an incident that happened for the whole earth. According to the verses of the Holy Qur'an, believers of Noah will save the storm. However, in the bible there is only the Noah's family who are saved the storm. In the Holy Qur'an, the wife and son of Noah are not survivors. The main difference between the Quran and the Bible in the context of the story of Noah (AS) is more than the storm in this which the Quran introduces Noah (AS) with a long history of calling for monotheism. But the Torah does not speak about this, and although it speaks of the four hundred and eighty years of Noah's life before starting to build a ship. These do not characterize him as much as he needs. While more discussed about details of the length, width and height and material of the ship's timber.

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