



Q 6: Is it true that a person can see the Prophet (peace be upon him) while they are awake as claimed by the Sufis?

A: Though the Prophet (peace be upon him) is dead, he is alive in his grave in the sense of the Barzakh life (period between death and the Resurrection). This life is known to none but Allah alone. The claim that a person who is awake can see the Prophet is not true, as there exists no proof to support it. It is authentically reported that the Messenger of Allah will be the first person to emerge on earth on the Day of Resurrection. This clearly indicates that the Prophet, like all other dead people, will rise from his grave only on the Day of Resurrection. This fact is expressed in the Qur'anic Ayah (verse) which reads:

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﴿ Verily, you (O Muhammad peace be upon him) will die, and verily they (too) will die. ﴾Allah (may He be Glorified and Exalted) also says:﴿ After that, surely, you will die. ﴾ Then (again), surely, you will be resurrected on the Day of Resurrection. ﴾These Ayahs indicate that the dead will rise from their graves only on the Day of Resurrection.

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and companions!

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