

Then What Will Happen?

This story is taken from a Hadith Qudsi in Sahih Muslim.

Death can come to anyone, at any time. They can be young, old, healthy or sick. Allah has already written when and where it will happen for each of us. We spend our lives preparing for when we will meet Allah. Do we know when that time will come? Nobody knows when they will die.

Here is a funny story about how one of the Prophets of Allah went back to Him. This is the story of when the Angel of Death came for the soul of Musa (peace be upon him).

When the Angel of Death came to the Prophet Musa, he wasn't ready to die. In fact, he hit the angel. Now Musa was a very strong man, and may not have meant to do so, but he hit the angel so hard that his eye popped out!

The angel returned to Allah and complained, "You sent me to a slave who does not want death. Rather, he has gouged my eye out!"

Allah set the angel's eye right again and told him to go back to Musa and say to him, "Do you want life? If you wish to live long, put your hand on the back of an ox. The more hair you grasp in your hand, the more years you will live."

When the angel conveyed Allah's message to him, Musa asked, "Then what will happen?"

The angel simply replied, "Then you will have to die."

Musa said, "It is better to die now." Then he prayed to Allah, "O Lord! Let me die near the Holy Land (Palestine) by the throw of a stone."

