Portrayal of Mary in the Qur'an

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Mary in the Qur'an (1)

Remember when Imran's wife prayed to her Lord saying," I have vowed that what is in my womb will be devoted exclusively for you. So accept it from me. You, certainly You, are the All-Hearing, the All-Knowing

(Qur'an, 3:35)

* Mary's mother devotes her child exclusively for the worship of God.

* She was expecting to deliver male child

* Acceptance from God is also important

* She showed her firm belief in God

Mary in the Qur'an (2)

So when she delivered her, she said, " O my Lord, "I have delivered, a female child."

And God knew better what she had delivered, and the male was not like the female.

(Qur'an, 3:36)

* God says: Male was not like the female

* If Mary's mother had to say this, she would have said: Female cannot be like Male

* God conveyed the message to her that you don't understand that the male you were expecting cannot be like this female child

You may not like something which, in fact, is for your good and something that you may love, in fact, may be evil. God knows, but you do not know (Qur'an, 2:216)

Mary in the Qur'an (3)

I have named her "Maryam" and I place her and her progeny under your shelter against Satan, the rejected (Qur'an, 3:36)

- She named her "Maryam" which means a worshiping lady.
- So, this kind of naming had been a sign of ultimate love and affection of that pure mother for dedicating her dear child alongside the path of the servitude of Allah
- That is why, after performing this auspicious naming, she asked the Lord to protect this child and the progeny that would come into being from her thereafter, from the temptations of Satan and to keep them in His merciful shelter.

Mary in the Qur'an (4)

So, her Lord accepted her, a good acceptance, and made her grow a good growth. (Qur'an, 3:37)

The Lord made her growth and development good. He trained her well and, in all circumstances in her life, improved her affairs nicely

Mary in the Qur'an

And made Zakariyya her guardian whenever Zakariyya visited her at the place of worship, he found food with her. He said: " Maryam, where did you have this from?" She said:" It is from God, surely He gives whom He wills without measure (Qur'an, 3:37)

Quranic Source

Thereupon, Zakariyya prayed to his Lord, "O my Lord, grant me from Your own power a goodly progeny. Indeed, You are the One who listens to the prayer" (Qur'an, 3:38)

Mary in the Qur'an

The angels told Mary: God had chosen you, Purified you And given you distinction over all women.

Mary, Now pray devotedly to your Lord, prostrate yourself before Him and bow down with those who bow down before Him

(Qur'an, 3:43)

- * The word " Chosen" (اصطفأ) means to separate something from the impurities
- * God's special attention to Mary
- * Mary was purified from the sins
- * Mary was given distinction over all women

- * Mary was ordered to be a grateful to God for His blessings.
- * Blessings should bring humbleness of heart
- * All this shows God's special attention to Mary

* When Jesus was in cradle, he became the testifier of the chastity of Mary

Conclusion

The verses of Qur'an provide enough evidences that Mary had all the prophetic qualities like she was chosen, she was purified, she was preferred over all women, she impressed the prophet of God and the most important is that she used to talk with the angels

And the Jesus Christ was also the manifestation of the prophetic qualities of Mary