



## ORIENTAL MOTIVES ON “THE FIFTH MOUNTAIN” BY PAULO COELHO

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### ANNOTATION:

The article is based on an ideological and artistic analysis of Paulo Coelho's novel Fifth Mountain. The novel reflects on the expression of Eastern philosophy and author's views on the East.

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### INTRODUCTIONS

Paulo Coelho is one of the most influential writers in world literature. He has written several works on magical realism. One of these works is Fifth Mountain. This novel is about the prophet Elijah (peace be upon him), and his life and activities of the prophet are based on historical facts. Of course, it cannot be said that all ideas in the work are real. Naturally, in the creation of a particular work there is an artistic fabric and a creative concept. But the main motives and ideas are very close to the teachings of Islam. Comparing the events of the novel with the Koran and other sources, the main sources of Islam and mysticism, we see that the author has deep knowledge in the field of oriental and religious knowledge. The work has an interesting plot, but although Elijah (peace be upon him) is mentioned in the novel as a prophet, the author portrays the image as ordinary people. The work also contains information that is not mentioned in the history of the prophets, and here, to some extent, the author's fiction is correct. This is because in the novel these ideas are presented in such a way that they do not correspond to Islamic beliefs. In addition to evidence that the quotes in the work are taken from the Bible, we also find Islamic information and mysticism. We sought to analyze these points in the work and compare them with eastern sources. The translation of the work belongs to the pen of Ozoda Sharafiddinov. The leitmotif of the novel consists of such universal ideals as sincere worship of God, kindness for humanity, patience for trials, devotion and love for the country. In addition to Elijah (peace be upon him), the book also presents the views of Jacob (peace be upon him), Isaac (peace be upon him) and Jesus (peace and blessings be upon him). Fiction in Fifth Mountain is illustrated by historical facts. But the author did not deviate from the concept of the society in which he lived, from the knowledge that he acquired, that is, from Christian beliefs and Western traditions and literary principles. This is because some of the ideas presented in the book, in particular the words of the Prophets and God, are not Islamic. However, Coelho uses historical texts and divine truths, and in the literary text of the novel he was not portrayed as a prophet, but as a character with Elijah's supernatural strength and knowledge. Taking into account that the direction of work also has magical realism, we can say that the events in the lives of the heroes are divine. The following examples illustrate the veracity of events, the extent to which they are consistent with Islamic beliefs, and their aspects of mysticism.

## MAIN PARTS

First of all, it is important to note that Elijah is a prophet and is mentioned in Surat al-An'am and Saffat. That is, Allah Almighty says in Surah Anam 85: "And we led Zechariah, John and Elijah." They are all righteous. In verse 123 of Surat al-Saffat Allah says: "Elijah is certainly one of the prophets." Verse 127 says, "So they denied (Elijah)." They will certainly appear before the punishment of Fire. Verse 129: "And we left generation after generation good deeds for Elijah." Hail Elijah in verse 130. "[5; 409]

Indeed, the messengers of Allah, as well as the prophets and messengers, are sent to lead humanity and proclaim Allah. Of course, it is not easy for them, and there is a long history of the prophets that have been inflicted upon their people by thousands of calamities. The wrath of Allah is recorded not only in divine sources, but also in historical sources. In particular, the floods of the people of Lot, the flood and the destruction of Noah, the drought in the time of Moses, the famine in the days of Joseph and Elijah influence our analysis. The drought and war of that time are clear evidence of our opinion.

Historically, most of the prophets were from Jewish land - Israel. Elijah was also one of the prophets of Israel. He was sent to guide his people. The book says: "I served God. I am a message from God. But they do not believe his words. His people worshiped an idol named Baal (from the ancient cults of the East). When Ahab, king of Israel, married Queen Jezebel, he preached his religion. And he commanded his God to worship. Ahab was so stunned by his love that he could not resist her conspiracies, and she became one of the wrong ones. Elijah saw an angel in a dream and to his right. It was an angel of revelation. It is in these stories the facts about the Prophets reflected in Rabhusi's Summary. that the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) had a son in Israel named Ajab ibn Amr. In the eastern part of Baalbek in the eastern province of Damascus, this Ajab was married to his wife Armala Bint Platon. He was struck by the beauty of this woman. He gave the kingdom to his wife. It was the idolatry of Armala. The name of this idol was Baal (transcription of Baal). This army killed three hundred and seventy prophets. " [4.56] The last sentence states that Armala killed three hundred and seventy prophets, and this fact is embodied in the novel "Fifth Mountain." The work contains fictional stories that Elijah is a prophet, and that the princess sought him and ordered him to be killed, and that he killed other prophets. "Soldiers will smash every house and force the prophets to accept their religion, and they will kill them if they say no." [2,76].

When we compare the sources with the events of the work, we see that the author knows about Islam and other teachings, other religions and history. The following excerpts from the novel are also set out in a short "Rabhusi": "The angel of God commanded me to go to King Ahab and warn Baal that there would be no rain in Israel." The story goes: "They became clouds. It is greasy. It was not raining for eight years. They continued to worship idols.

Elijah also went to the princess to do what God commanded. However, the queen's blood boils and tells her to kill him. Elijah is portrayed at work simply as people. This is because his thoughts, sufferings, and thoughts are at odds with the divine power of the prophets portrayed in Islam and his trust in Allah.

The book illustrates the truths of an ignorant people, King Ahab and his queen. Princess Jezebel is quoted as "Armala" in "Rabhusi." In the book "Knowledge leading to the prophets", which contains collections of prophets: "There are many narratives about Elijah in the Torah and in history books."

Elijah means the power of God. At that time, Agib (Ahab) and his wife Arbil (Jezebel), who was in Samara, dominated the Bani Israel. At the command of Allah, Elijah called them to leadership and urged them to obey the one and only God, and not worship idols. He performed several miracles. However, they did not accept the call and tried to kill the prophets. Therefore, Elijah fled from King Ahab and settled in a cave near the Jordan River. At God's command, crows came and brought him bread and meat for food. He lived in a cave for many years. The people of the king were constantly looking for him to kill. Before the arrival of X, Elijah lived in a cave.

These events are also reflected in the novel: Elijah fled from the tsarina and tsar to the Khoraf River and lived in a cave. In the cave, the crow brings food every day. Please note that the image of the raven is also mentioned in the story "Cain and Abel", another author's work in Alchemist. In the story "Cain and Abel," the killer sees that when a brother decides what to do with his brother's body, one of the two ravens will not bury the other, and he understands that he needs to be buried. In Alchemy, the main character of Santiago sees two ravens fighting and soon realizes that war will come. In all three cases, warning and supportive force is the image of a raven. Of course, Allah always helps and warns his loved ones through signs and gestures. The same is true in Fifth Mountain.

The book describes how Elijah lived long enough in a cave and in the desert to understand that he had the opportunity to understand himself and his role in life. As if everything was timed, he lived in a cave with a raven until his angel was opened to Elijah. The raven does not come that day when he is told what to do. This was a sign of his action. Elijah must now go to Akbar to proclaim the unity of Allah. It was noted that the widow of Akbar will help her with this. This widow was also shown by Elijah in a dream and helped her. Sleep - Paulo Coelo, as noted in the Alchemist, is the language in which God speaks to His servants. In the above chapters, we also mentioned the dream and its Islamic interpretation. Thus, it becomes clear that the author looks at the motives of sleep in an oriental spirit.

At the age of 23, Elijah went to the widow of Zafat. Her name was Sarepa. Her other name was Akbar. The widow was very poor. He was worried about what to eat when Elijah arrived. But God is always merciful, and when Elijah comes, his grain and barley are multiplied, but not reduced. The inhabitants of Akbar worshiped the goddess of the Fifth Mountain. The people of Akbar, who learned about the expelled prophet, were in no hurry to drive him. The people of Sarep were very hospitable. They never kicked out a visitor. Elijah wanted to lead the people of Akbar on the right path. But because of his prophecy and persecution, they began to see him as an enemy. People went to the priest to see that the widow's son was seriously ill. The widow's child is dead. The priest and the woman made a covenant that if you were a prophet, they would have resurrected him, otherwise they would have transferred Elijah to Princess Jezebel. Elijah was a prophet. God gave the prophets the ability to work miracles. Elijah sincerely prayed to God and prayed. The boy was raised well. She said that if the child grew up, I would believe in your Lord. Indeed, she followed Elijah.

## DISCUSSIONS

This miracle is also described in Rabhuzi's story: "Do you have a miracle? They say: "How can you make a miracle? "Malik: Years passed and my daughter died. If you stand up and believe, the girl will return to life according to God's command. Girl they asked: "What is true?" [4.47]. In the work, the priest is skeptical of his miracle, and according to his old beliefs, he goes to Fifth Mountain to apologize to the goddesses, and if they forgive you, he will be right if will not kill you. According to Kokhin - the Rabbi and the people of Akbar, the Fifth Mountain is the divine mountain on which he lives fire. Nobody ever came to life from its top, and the fire was supposed to destroy him. Of course, Elijah returned from there and prayed to God. He wished them guidance. But the priest did not believe him. His book "Rabhuzi" also says that people do not believe into it, even if it is a miracle.

## CONCLUSION

In his novel Fifth Mountain, the writer calls on the East to achieve this literary goal by describing the history and past, the life of the prophet. The work is enriched with oriental spirit and motives, which are rich and attractive not only for scientists of the East but also of the West.

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