

## MIRACLE IN YEMEN



Sana Masjid

It is quite a feat for anyone to draw a straight line between two distant cities except with the aid of detailed maps, made possible today with airplanes, satellites, and an accurate account of the laws pertaining to latitude, longitude and land height.

However, there was a person who accomplished this more than 1400 years ago. The Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam sent Sahaaba as teachers to the people of Yemen. One of them Wabr ibn Yohanas Al Khuzae radhiallahu anhu sent to the town of Sana. He was ordered, according to the historians, by the Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam to build a Musjid there.

Wabr ibn Yuhannas al Khuzae radhiallahu anhu said: ‘The Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam said to me: ‘When you build the Musjid of Sana, make it to the right of a mountain called Dheen.’ (*Al Mujamul Al Awsat, 253:1*)

In another narration it is reported that the Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam ordered the Musjid to be built in the garden of Bazaan in Sana, facing towards Mount Dheen. (*Tareekh Al Masaajid Ash Shaheera, 198:1*)

**Using Google Earth, if one draws a straight line from the original Musjid in Sana, it passes through the peak of Mount Dheen and ends directly above the Kabah in Makkah.** Amazingly, this was ordered by the Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam in Madinah. All three points (Sana, Mount Dheen and Makkah) are away and out of sight of one another. Makkah is 507.6 miles from Sana while Madina, where the Prophet sallallahu alaihi wa sallam was based, is 693.7 miles away from Sana. Mount Dheen is 20 km away from Sana, and 488.3 miles away from Makkah.

*Nor does he (Muhammad sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) speak of (his own) desire. It is only an Inspiration that is inspired. (Quraan, 53:3-*