## **Al-Mu'allim**

We once had a Teacher

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The Teacher of teachers, He changed the world for the better And made us better creatures, Oh Allah we've shamed ourselves We've strayed from Al-Mu'allim, Surely we've wronged ourselves What will we say in front him? Oh Mu'allim... [Chorus] He was Muhammad salla Allahu 'alayhi wa sallam, Muhammad, mercy upon Mankind, He was Muhammad salla Allahu 'alayhi wa sallam, Muhammad, mercy upon Mankind, Teacher of all Mankind. Abal Qasim (one of the names of the Prophet) Ya Habibi ya Muhammad (My beloved O Muhammad) Ya Shafi'i ya Muhammad (My intercessor O Muhammad) Khayru khalqillahi Muhammad (The best of Allah's creation is Muhammad) Ya Mustafa ya Imamal Mursalina (O Chosen One, O Imam of the Messengers) Ya Mustafa ya Shafi'al 'Alamina (O Chosen One, O intercessor of the worlds) He prayed while others slept While others ate he'd fast, While they would laugh he wept Until he breathed his last, His only wish was for us to be Among the ones who prosper, Ya Mu'allim peace be upon you, Truly you are our Teacher, Oh Mu'allim.. [Chorus] Ya Habibi ya Muhammad (My beloved O Muhammad) Ya Shafi'i ya Muhammad (My intercessor O Muhammad) Ya Rasuli ya Muhammad (O My Messenger O Muhammad) Ya Bashiri ya Muhammad (O bearer of good news O Muhammad) Ya Nadhiri ya Muhammad (O warner O Muhammad) 'Ishqu Qalbi ya Muhammad (The love of my heart O Muhammad) Nuru 'Ayni ya Muhammad (Light of my eye O Muhammad) He taught us to be just and kind And to feed the poor and hungry, Help the wayfarer and the orphan child

And to not be cruel and miserly, His speech was soft and gentle, Like a mother stroking her child, His mercy and compassion, Were most radiant when he smiled

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