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THESE STORIES of the lives of the prophets from Adam to Jesus – peace be upon them all – based on ancient Arabic and Turkish sources, can be appreciated for their immediacy and linguistic liveliness alone. They are, however, the faithful testimony, as preserved by Islamic tradition, of events that Allah Almighty visited upon His messengers who are examples of His mercy and the most remarkable among His creatures. They may serve us all as admonition, edification and guidance, great and small, delightful and terrifying, including some stories that have hardly ever been heard in the West.

It is our pleasure to make Ḥajja Āmina's much-loved book, which has been out of print for some time, available again to the English-speaking reader in a handsome edition. Our heartfelt thanks goes not only to Ḥajja Rukiye and Sheikh Mehmet Efendi, who entrusted us with this task, but also and especially to Ḥajja Radhia Shukrullah who has reviewed the entire text by comparing the last published edition with the original version, originally transcribed from the late Ḥajja Āmina's spoken word and translated from Arabic and Turkish into English many years ago, completing this task with remarkable energy and due diligence,

We wish our readers a refreshing read.

*Wa min Allah at-tawfiq.*

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