It was about A.D. 250, during the rule of a Roman King Decius (Daqyanus), that the teachings of the Prophet Isa (Jesus) 💥 were spread throughout the region by his early followers.

Due to their fearless preaching and willingness to give up everything so as to tread the right path, they were honored with the high status of being near to Allah.

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They only turned from side to side in their sleep. Even their dog joined them in their long slumber with his legs stretched out across the entrance to the cave. This cave was so placed that not even a ray of light could enter it. Allah had also made it look so frightening that, if anyone had come close to it, he would have felt afraid and run away. It was one of the wonders of Allah. By order of the king, the date they were lost their names and other particulars had been engraved on a lead slab which was kept in the Royal Treasury. For this reason they also came to be known as the "men of the slab." When the slab was taken out, it was confirmed that these were the very men who had run away from the city to save their lives more than two centuries ago.