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Who really is  
Dajjaal?

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# Introduction

There are 7 tenets of Imaan (Faith). To believe in;

1. Allah Ta'ala,
2. His Malaaiakah,
3. His Books,
4. His Messengers,
- 5. The Day of Qiyaamah,**
6. Taqdeer and
7. Life after Death.

Together with believing in the day of Qiyaamah, one has to also believe in the signs of Qiyaamah as predicted by Rasulullah ﷺ. If a person does not believe in Qiyaamah or the signs of Qiyaamah, it affects his Imaan (Faith) as these are issues related to Aqeedah (belief). Ulama of this Ummah throughout the passage of time, had written many books on the signs of Qiyaamah. Nabi ﷺ had predicted minor and major signs of the Last Day and it is incumbent on every Muslim to believe in all these signs as explained by Rasulullah ﷺ.

Amongst the major signs of Qiyaamah is the coming of Dajjal. In many Ahaadith, Nabi ﷺ has warned us of this severe fitnah (trial), a

test which will be the most severe for this Ummah. However, he did not in any explicit terms explain when exactly this fitnah will take place. It is necessary for us not to delve into matters that were left ambiguous by Nabi ﷺ. It is not correct for us to delve into Deeni issues and express our opinions when we are not qualified in this respect.

In this day and age, once again people are trying to re-interpret the Hadith and are reaching such conclusions that were not reached by any of our elders in the past. None of the Sahaabah, Taabieen, Aaimmah-e-Arba'ah, Muhadditheen or our respected Akaabir reached such conclusions. If we are not qualified for such research, we may then end up causing more harm than good to the Ummah. Allah forbid, we may cause such confusion amongst the masses that may alter their Aqeedah (beliefs).

Some scholars in the past also fell into this error and specified a time and date for the coming of Hadhrat Mahdi and Dajjaal. This, however, did not materialise according to their research. These scholars had booked their tickets years in advance and set out for Hejaz awaiting the promised Mahdi, but to their utter disappointment he did not make his appearance as they predicted. Many laymen were upset with these scholars as it did not pan out in the manner they prophesized. Eventually, such research served as a great disservice to the Ummah as it affected the Aqeedah of many Muslims. People began doubting the Ahaadith of Rasulullah ﷺ.

The following pages briefly explain who Dajjaal is and what he will do in the light of the Ahaadith of Rasulullah ﷺ.

May Allah Ta'ala accept this humble treatise and make it a means of correcting the belief of the Ummah. Aameen. **27 Rajab 1439**

# Dajjaal

The Greatest Fitnah  
of this Ummah

## Dajjaal will be the biggest test this Ummah will face <sup>1</sup>

The world has seen many tests and tribulations and in every era the Ummah was tested most severely. However, since the creation of Hadhrat Aadam عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام till the day of Qiyaamah, there will be no fitnah greater than Dajjaal.

### Hadith of Tameem Daari رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ

Once Rasulullah صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ called the Sahaabah (*radiyallahu anhum*) after Salaah and said: “By Allah, I did not call you together for an exhortation or for a warning. I have called you together because Tameem al-Daari who was a Christian came and swore allegiance and became Muslim. He told me something which agrees with what I was telling you about Dajjaal. He told me that he once sailed in a ship with thirty men of Lakhm and Judhaam and they were tossed by the waves of the sea for a month. Then they came to an island at sunset. They sat in a small rowing-boat and landed on an island. They were met by a beast with a great deal of hair and they could not distinguish his face from his back because he was so hairy. They said: ‘Woe to you, what are you?’ It said: ‘I am al-Jassaasah.’ They said: ‘What is al-Jassaasah?’ It said: ‘O people, go to this man in the monastery for he is keen to know about you.’ He (the narrator) said: When it named a man for us we were afraid

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<sup>1</sup> وَعَنْ عِمْرَانَ بْنِ حُصَيْنٍ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَقُولُ: مَا بَيْنَ خَلْقِ آدَمَ إِلَى قِيَامِ السَّاعَةِ  
أَمْرٌ أَكْبَرُ مِنَ الدَّجَالِ . رَوَاهُ مُسْلِمٌ

of it lest it be a devil. Then we set off, rushing, until we came to that monastery, where we found the hugest man we had ever seen, bound strongly in chains with his hands tied to his neck and his legs bound from the knees to the ankles with iron shackles. We said: 'Woe to you, who are you?' He said: 'You will soon find out about me; tell me who you are.' They said: 'We are people from Arabia who embarked on a ship, but the sea became wild and the waves tossed us about for one month, then the waves brought us to this island of yours. We took a rowing-boat and landed on this island. We were met by a beast with a great deal of hair and we could not tell his front from his back because he was so hairy. We said: Woe to you, what are you? It said: I am al-Jassaasah. We said: What is al-Jassaasah? It said: Go to this man in the monastery for he is keen to know about you. So we came rushing to you and we fled from it because we were not sure if it was a devil.' He (that chained person) said: 'Tell me about the date-palm trees of Baysaan.' We said: 'What do you want to know about them?' He said: 'I am asking you whether these trees bear fruit.' We said: 'Yes.' He said: 'Soon they will not bear fruit.' He said: 'Tell me about Buhayrah Tabariyyah' We said: 'What do you want to know about it?' He said: 'Is there water in it?' They said: 'There is a great deal of water in it.' He said: 'Soon it will dry up.' Then he said: 'Tell me about the spring of Zughar (which is in the south of Syria).' They said: 'What do you want to know about it?' He said: 'Is there water in the spring and do the people grow crops with the water of the spring?' We said to him: 'Yes, there is plenty of water in it and the people grow crops with its water.' He said: 'Tell me about the unlettered Prophet?' We said: 'He has left Makkah and has settled in Yathrib (Madeenah).' He said: 'Do the Arabs fight against him?' We said: 'Yes.' He said: 'How did he deal with them?' We told him that he had prevailed over the Arabs in his vicinity and they had shown obedience to him. He said to us: 'Has it really happened?' We said: 'Yes.' He said: 'If it

is so that is better for them that they show obedience to him. Now I will tell you about myself. I am Dajjaal and soon I will be given permission to emerge. So I will come out and travel in the land, and will not spare any town but I will stay for forty nights, except Makkah and Taybah (Madeenah). They are both forbidden to me; every time I try to enter one of them, I will be met by an angel with a sword in his hand, who will bar my way, and on every route there will be angels guarding it.”

Then Rasulullah صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ struck the minbar with his staff and said: “This is Taybah, this is Taybah, this is Taybah,” meaning Madeenah. “Did I not tell you this before?” The people said: “Yes.” Rasulullah صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ said; “I liked the story of Tameem because it agrees with what I used to tell you about him and about Makkah and Madeenah. But he is in the Syrian Sea (Mediterranean) or the Yemeni Sea (Arabian Sea). No, rather he is in the east, he in the east, he is in the east,” and he pointed towards the east with his hand. <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> وَعَنْ فَاطِمَةَ بِنْتِ قَيْسٍ قَالَتْ: سَمِعْتُ مُنَادِي رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ فَلَمَّا قَضَى صَلَاتَهُ جَلَسَ عَلَى الْمِنْبَرِ وَهُوَ يَضْحَكُ فَقَالَ: «لَيْلِزَمُ كُلُّ إِنْسَانٍ مُضْلَاهُ». ثُمَّ قَالَ: «هَلْ تَذُرُونَ لِمَ جَمَعْتُكُمْ». قَالُوا: اللَّهُ وَرَسُولُهُ أَعْلَمُ. قَالَ: "إِنِّي وَاللَّهِ مَا جَمَعْتُكُمْ لِرِغْبَةٍ وَلَا لِرَهْبَةٍ وَلَكِنْ جَمَعْتُكُمْ لِأَنَّ تَمِيمًا النَّارِيَّ كَانَ رَجُلًا نَصْرَانِيًّا فَجَاءَ فَبَايَعَ وَأَسْلَمَ وَحَدَّثَنِي حَدِيثًا وَافِقَ الَّذِي كُنْتُ أُحَدِّثُكُمْ بِهِ عَنِ الْمَسِيحِ الدَّجَالِ حَدَّثَنِي أَنَّهُ رَكِبَ فِي سَفِينَةٍ بَحْرِيَّةٍ مَعَ ثَلَاثِينَ رَجُلًا مِنْ لَحْمٍ وَجَذَامٍ فَلَعِبَ بِهِمُ الْمَوْجُ شَهْرًا فِي الْبَحْرِ فَأَرْفُؤُوا إِلَى جَزِيرَةٍ حِينَ تَغْرُبُ الشَّمْسُ فَجَلَسُوا فِي أَقْرَبِ سَفِينَةٍ فَدَخَلُوا الْجَزِيرَةَ فَلَقِيَتْهُمُ دَابَّةٌ أَهْلَبُ كَثِيرِ الشَّعْرِ لَا يَذُرُونَ مَا قُبْلَهُ مِنْ ذُبُرِهِ مِنْ كَثْرَةِ الشَّعْرِ قَالُوا: وَيْلَكَ مَا أَنْتَ قَالَتْ: أَنَا الْجَسَّاسَةُ قَالُوا: وَمَا الْجَسَّاسَةُ قَالَتْ: أَيُّهَا الْقَوْمُ انْظُرُوا إِلَى هَذَا الرَّجُلِ فِي الدَّيْرِ فَإِنَّهُ إِلَى خَيْرِكُمْ بِالْأَشْوَاقِ قَالَ: لَمَّا سَمَتْ لَنَا رَجُلًا فَرَفْنَا مِنْهَا أَنْ تَكُونَ شَيْطَانَةً قَالَ: فَانْظُرْنَا سِرَاعًا حَتَّى دَخَلْنَا الدَّيْرَ فَإِذَا فِيهِ أَعْظَمُ إِنْسَانٍ مَا رَأَيْتَاهُ قَطُّ خَلْقًا وَأَشَدَّهُ وَتَأَقَّا مَجْمُوعُهُ يَدَهُ إِلَى عُنُقِهِ مَا بَيْنَ رُكْبَتَيْهِ إِلَى كَعْبَيْهِ بِالْحَيْدِيدِ. فُلْنَا: وَيْلَكَ مَا أَنْتَ قَالَ: فَذَقْدَرْتُمْ عَلَى خَيْرِي فَأَخْبِرُونِي مَا أَنْتُمْ قَالُوا: نَحْنُ أَنَاسٌ مِنَ الْعَرَبِ رَكِبْنَا فِي



## Dajjaal is one eyed <sup>1</sup>

Once Rasulullah صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ stood up and warned the people about Dajjaal. He mentioned that there was no Nabi who did not warn his

سفينة بحرية فلعب بِنَا الْبَحْرِ شَهْرًا فَدَخَلْنَا الْحَرِيرَةَ فَلَقِينَتْهَا دَابَّةٌ أَهْلُبُ فَقَالَتْ: أَنَا الْحَسَّاسَةُ اعْمِدُوا إِلَى هَذَا فِي الدَّيْرِ فَأَقْبِلْنَا إِلَيْكَ سِرَاعًا وَفَرِّعْنَا مِنْهَا وَلَمْ تَأْمَنْ أَنْ تَكُونَ شَيْطَانَةً فَقَالَ: أَخْبِرُونِي عَنْ نَحْلِ بَيْسَانَ قُلْنَا: عَنْ أَبِي شَأْنَيْهَا تَسْتَخِيرُ قَالَ: أَسَأَلُكُمْ عَنْ نَحْلِهَا هَلْ تُنْمِرُ قُلْنَا: نَعَمْ. قَالَ: أَمَا إِنَّهَا تُوشِكُ أَنْ لَا تُنْمِرَ. قَالَ: أَخْبِرُونِي عَنْ بُحَيْرَةِ الظُّبَيْرِيَّةِ قُلْنَا: عَنْ أَبِي شَأْنَيْهَا تَسْتَخِيرُ قَالَ: هَلْ فِيهَا مَاءٌ قُلْنَا هِيَ كَثِيرَةٌ الْمَاءِ. قَالَ: أَمَا إِنَّ مَاءَهَا يُوشِكُ أَنْ يَذْهَبَ. قَالَ: أَخْبِرُونِي عَنْ عَيْنِ زُعْرَى. قَالُوا: وَعَنْ أَبِي شَأْنَيْهَا تَسْتَخِيرُ قَالَ: هَلْ فِي الْعَيْنِ مَاءٌ وَهَلْ يَزْرَعُ أَهْلُهَا بِمَاءِ الْعَيْنِ قُلْنَا لَهُ: نَعَمْ هِيَ كَثِيرَةٌ الْمَاءِ وَأَهْلُهُ يَزْرَعُونَ مِنْ مَائِهَا. قَالَ: أَخْبِرُونِي عَنْ نَبِيِّ الْأَيْمِينَ مَا فَعَلَ قُلْنَا: قَدْ خَرَجَ مِنْ مَكَّةَ وَنَزَلَ بِثَرْبٍ. قَالَ: أَقَاتَلَهُ الْعَرَبُ قُلْنَا: نَعَمْ. قَالَ: كَيْفَ صَنَعَ بِهِمْ فَأَخْبَرْتَاهُ أَنَّهُ قَدْ ظَهَرَ عَلَى مَنْ يَلِيهِ مِنَ الْعَرَبِ وَأَطَاعُوهُ. قَالَ لَهُمْ: قَدْ كَانَ ذَلِكَ قُلْنَا: نَعَمْ. قَالَ: أَمَا إِنَّ ذَلِكَ خَيْرٌ لَهُمْ أَنْ يُطِيعُوهُ وَإِنِّي مُخْبِرُكُمْ عَنِّي: إِنِّي أَنَا الْمَسِيحُ الدَّجَالُ وَإِنِّي يُوشِكُ أَنْ يُؤَدِّنَ لِي فِي الْخُرُوجِ فَأَخْرَجَ فَأَسِيرَ فِي الْأَرْضِ فَلَا أَدْعُ قَرْيَةً إِلَّا هَبَطْتُهَا فِي أَرْبَعِينَ لَيْلَةً غَيْرِ مَكَّةَ وَطَيْبَةَ هُمَا مُحَرَّمَتَانِ عَلَيَّ كَلْتَاهُمَا كُلَّمَا أَرَدْتُ أَنْ أَدْخُلَ وَاحِدَةً أَوْ وَاحِدًا مِنْهُمَا اسْتَقْبَلَنِي مَلَكٌ بِيَدِهِ السِّيفِ صَلَاتًا يَصُدُّنِي عَنْهَا وَإِنْ عَلَيَّ كُلِّ نَقَبٍ مِنْهَا مَلَائِكَةٌ يَحْرُسُونَهَا. " قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ - وَطَعَنَ بِمِخْرَصَتِهِ فِي الْمِنْبَرِ -: «هَذِهِ طَيْبَةٌ هَذِهِ طَيْبَةٌ هَذِهِ طَيْبَةٌ» يَعْنِي الْمَدِينَةَ «أَلَا هَلْ كُنْتُ حَدَّثْتُكُمْ» فَقَالَ النَّاسُ: نَعَمْ فَإِنَّهُ أَعْجَبَنِي حَدِيثَ تَمِيمٍ أَنَّهُ وَافَقَ الَّذِي كُنْتُ أُحَدِّثُكُمْ عَنْهُ وَعَنِ الْمَدِينَةِ وَمَكَّةَ. أَلَا إِنَّهُ فِي بَحْرِ الشَّامِ أَوْ بَحْرِ الْيَمَنِ لَا بَلَّ مِنْ قَبْلِ الْمَشْرِقِ مَاهُو مِنْ قَبْلِ الْمَشْرِقِ مَاهُو مِنْ قَبْلِ الْمَشْرِقِ مَاهُو " وَأَوْمَأَ بِيَدِهِ إِلَى الْمَشْرِقِ. رَوَاهُ مُسْلِمٌ

<sup>1</sup> قَالَ عَبْدُ اللَّهِ بْنُ عُمَرَ: قَامَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ فِي النَّاسِ فَأَتَى عَلَى اللَّهِ بِمَا هُوَ أَهْلُهُ ثُمَّ ذَكَرَ الدَّجَالَ فَقَالَ: «إِنِّي أَنْذَرْتُكُمْ وَمَا مِنْ نَبِيٍّ إِلَّا وَقَدْ أَنْذَرَ قَوْمَهُ لَقَدْ أَنْذَرَ نُوْحٌ قَوْمَهُ وَلِكِنِّي سَأْفُولُ لَكُمْ فِيهِ قَوْلًا لَمْ يَقُلْهُ نَبِيٌّ لِقَوْمِهِ تَعْلَمُونَ أَنَّهُ أَعْوَرٌ وَأَنَّ اللَّهَ لَيْسَ بِأَعْوَرَ». مُتَّفَقٌ عَلَيْهِ وَعَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَخْفَى عَلَيْكُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ تَعَالَى لَيْسَ بِأَعْوَرَ وَإِنَّ الْمَسِيحَ الدَّجَالَ أَعْوَرَ عَيْنِ الْيُمْنَى كَأَنَّ عَيْنَهُ عِنَبَةٌ طَافِيَةٌ». مُتَّفَقٌ عَلَيْهِ

people about Dajjaal. But I will tell you something which no Nabi has mentioned. He is one eyed and Allah Ta'ala is not one eyed.

Here Nabi ﷺ is warning the Muslims that Dajjaal will claim he is God. One will be able to notice his one eye. This will be a sign that our beloved Allah Who is Perfect in every respect, cannot be one eyed.

### Dajjaal is a human <sup>1</sup>

When Tameem Daari رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ was ship wrecked on an island and found a beast with a great deal of hair on its body, it said to them: 'O people, go to this MAN in the monastery for he is keen to know about you. He (the narrator) said: When it named the MAN for us we were afraid of it lest it be a devil. Then we set off, rushing, until we came to that monastery, where we found the hugest MAN we had ever seen, bound strongly in chains with his hands tied to his neck and his legs bound from the knees to the ankles with iron shackles.

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<sup>1</sup>: أَيُّهَا الْقَوْمُ انْطَلِقُوا إِلَى هَذَا الرَّجُلِ فِي الدَّيْرِ فَإِنَّهُ إِلَى خَبَرِكُمْ بِالْأَشْوَاقِ قَالَ: لَمَّا سَمَّتْ لَنَا رَجُلًا فَرَقْنَا مِنْهَا أَنْ تَكُونَ شَيْطَانَةً قَالَ: فَاَنْطَلَقْنَا سِرَاعًا حَتَّى دَخَلْنَا الدَّيْرَ فَإِذَا فِيهِ أَعْظَمُ إِنْسَانٍ مَا رَأَيْنَاهُ قَطُّ خَلْفًا وَأَشَدَّهُ وَثَاقًا مَجْمُوعَةً يَدِهِ إِلَى عُنُقِهِ مَا بَيْنَ رُكْبَتَيْهِ إِلَى كَعْبَيْهِ بِالْحَدِيدِ.

## The last part of this Ummah will destroy Dajjaal<sup>1</sup>

Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ explained that Jihaad (fighting in the path of Allah) is continuous from the time Allah Ta'ala sent Nabi Muhammad صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ until the last part of the Ummah will kill Dajjaal.

In another Hadith it is mentioned that one group of this Ummah will always remain on the truth. They will continue to make Jihaad in the path of Allah Ta'ala and fight for the Haq. Eventually the last part of this group will fight against Dajjaal and kill him.<sup>2</sup>

## Dajjaal will not be able to enter Makkah or Madinah<sup>3</sup>

At the entrances of Makkah Mukarramah and Madinah Munawwarah there are angels stationed. They will be standing guard and will not allow Dajjaal entry into these two cities.

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<sup>1</sup> عَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «ثَلَاثٌ مِنَ أَصْلِ الْإِيمَانِ الْكُفَّ عَمَّنْ قَالَ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَلَا نَكْفَرُهُ بِذَنْبٍ وَلَا نَخْرُجُهُ مِنَ الْإِسْلَامِ بِعَمَلٍ وَالْجِهَادُ مَا ضُ مِنْدُ بَعَثَنِي اللَّهُ إِلَى أَنْ يُقَاتَلَ آخِرَ أُمَّتِي الدَّجَالُ لَا يُبْطِلُهُ جُورُ جَابِرٍ وَلَا عَدْلُ عَادِلٍ وَالْإِيمَانُ بِالْأَقْدَارِ». رَوَاهُ أَبُو دَاوُدَ

<sup>2</sup> عَنْ عِمْرَانَ بْنِ حُصَيْنٍ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «لَا تَزَالُ طَائِفَةٌ مِنْ أُمَّتِي يُقَاتِلُونَ عَلَى الْحَقِّ ظَاهِرِينَ عَلَى مَنْ نَاوَأَهُمْ حَتَّى يُقَاتِلَ آخِرُهُمُ الْمَسِيحَ الدَّجَالَ». رَوَاهُ أَبُو دَاوُدَ

<sup>3</sup> وَعَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «لَيْسَ مِنْ بَلَدٍ إِلَّا سَيَطُورُهُ الدَّجَالُ إِلَّا مَكَّةَ وَالْمَدِينَةَ لَيْسَ نَقْبٌ مِنْ أَنْفِئَاتِهَا إِلَّا عَلَيْهِ الْمَلَائِكَةُ صَافِينَ يَحْرُسُونَهَا فَيَنْزِلُ السَّيْحَةَ فَتَرْجُفُ الْمَدِينَةُ بِأَهْلِهَا ثَلَاثَ رَجَفَاتٍ فَيَخْرُجُ إِلَيْهِ كُلُّ كَافِرٍ وَمُتَافِقٍ»

## Kaafir will be written on his head <sup>1</sup>

Dajjaal will have one eye. His other eye will be like a grape popping out of its socket. On his forehead will be written the words Kaafir. Every believer will be able to read it whether he is literate or not.

## Dajjaal will remain in the earth for 40 days <sup>2</sup>

On one occasion when Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ was explaining the trials of Dajjaal to the Sahaabaah (*radiyallahu anhum*), one Sahaabi asked Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ, “How long will Dajjaal remain on the earth?” Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ said, “40 days. One day will be like one year, one day like a month, one day like a week and the rest of the days will be like normal days.”

## The speed of his travel <sup>3</sup>

He will travel in the earth like rain that is pursued by strong wind.

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<sup>1</sup> وَزَادَ مُسْلِمٌ: إِنَّ الدَّجَالَ مَمْسُوحُ الْعَيْنِ عَلَيْهَا ظَفْرَةٌ غَلِيظَةٌ مَكْتُوبٌ بَيْنَ عَيْنَيْهِ كَافِرٌ يَقْرُؤُهُ كُلُّ مُؤْمِنٍ كَاتِبٌ وَغَيْرِ كَاتِبٍ

<sup>2</sup> . قُلْنَا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ وَمَا لَبُئُهُ فِي الْأَرْضِ قَالَ: أَرْبَعُونَ يَوْمًا يَوْمٌ كَسَنَةٍ وَيَوْمٌ كَشَهْرٍ وَيَوْمٌ كَجُمُعَةٍ وَسَائِرُ أَيَّامِهِ كَأَيَّامِكُمْ

<sup>3</sup> قُلْنَا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ وَمَا إِسْرَاعُهُ فِي الْأَرْضِ قَالَ: كَالْعَيْثِ اسْتَدْبَرْتَهُ الرِّيحُ

## His miracles <sup>1</sup>

Dajjaal will perform many supernatural feats. In areas where there is no rain, he will command the clouds and it will rain. He will command the earth and crops will grow. He will claim to be god and people seeing these miracles will believe in him.

## Dajjaal will try to kill a Muslim

وَعَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: " يَا أَيُّ الدَّجَالِ وَهُوَ مُحَرَّمٌ عَلَيْهِ أَنْ يَدْخُلَ نِقَابَ الْمَدِينَةِ فَيَنْزِلُ بَعْضَ السِّبَاخِ الَّتِي تَلِي الْمَدِينَةَ فَيَخْرُجُ إِلَيْهِ رَجُلٌ وَهُوَ خَيْرُ النَّاسِ أَوْ مِنْ خِيَارِ النَّاسِ فَيَقُولُ: أَشْهَدُ أَنَّكَ الدَّجَالُ الَّذِي حَدَّثَنَا رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ حَدِيثَهُ فَيَقُولُ الدَّجَالُ: أَرَأَيْتُمْ إِنْ قَتَلْتُ هَذَا ثُمَّ أَحْيَيْتُهُ هَلْ تَشْكُونَ فِي الْأَمْرِ فَيَقُولُونَ: لَا فَيَقْتُلُهُ ثُمَّ يُحْيِيهِ فَيَقُولُ: وَاللَّهِ مَا كُنْتُ فِيكَ أَشَدَّ بَصِيرَةً مِنِّي الْيَوْمَ فَيُرِيدُ الدَّجَالُ أَنْ يَقْتُلَهُ فَلَا يُسَلِّطُ عَلَيْهِ ". مُتَّفَقٌ عَلَيْهِ

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<sup>1</sup>فَيَأْتِي عَلَى الْقَوْمِ فَيَدْعُوهُمْ فَيُؤْمِنُونَ بِهِ فَيَأْمُرُ السَّمَاءَ فَتَمْطِرُ وَالْأَرْضَ فَتَنْبُتُ فَتَرُوحُ عَلَيْهِمْ سَارِحَتُهُمْ أَطْوَلَ مَا كَانَتْ ذُرَى وَأَسْبَغَهُ ضُرُوعًا وَأَمَدَهُ خَوَاصِرَ ثُمَّ يَأْتِي الْقَوْمَ فَيَدْعُوهُمْ فَيَرُدُّونَ عَلَيْهِ قَوْلَهُ فَيَنْصَرِفُ عَنْهُمْ فَيَصْبَحُونَ مَمْلُوحِينَ لَيْسَ بِأَيْدِيهِمْ شَيْءٌ مِنْ أَمْوَالِهِمْ وَيَمُرُّ بِالْحَرْبَةِ فَيَقُولُ لَهَا: أَخْرِجِي كُنُوزَكَ فَتَتَّبِعُهُ كُنُوزُهَا كَيْعَاسِيْبِ النَّحْلِ ثُمَّ يَدْعُو رَجُلًا مُمْتَلِئًا شَبَابًا فَيَضْرِبُهُ بِالسِّيفِ فَيَقْطَعُهُ جَزَلَتَيْنِ رَمِيَةَ الْعَرَضِ ثُمَّ يَدْعُوهُ فَيُقْبِلُ وَيَتَهَلَّلُ وَجْهَهُ يَضْحَكُ

## Dajjaal will have a Jannah and Jahannam <sup>1</sup>

Dajjaal will have a Jannah and a Jahannam with him. He will lure people to enter his Jannah. He will deceive them by showing them lots of beauties and comforts. Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ warned us that the Jannah which he will show the people is in actual fact the fire, and if you have a choice then enter his fire as that is cool water in reality.

## The death of Dajjaal <sup>2</sup>

In this way, he will continue to misguide and mislead people. Eventually, Allah Ta'ala will send Hadhrat Isa عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ. He will descend from the skies on the wings of two angels on the eastern minaret of the Masjid in Damascus. Any kaafir that comes in the radius of his breath will die. His

<sup>1</sup> وَعَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: إِلَّا أَحَدْتُكُمْ حَدِيثًا عَنِ النَّجَالِ مَا حَدَّثَ بِهِ نَبِيٌّ قَوْمَهُ إِنَّهُ أَعْوَرٌ وَإِنَّهُ يَجِيءُ مَعَهُ بِمِثْلِ الْجَنَّةِ وَالنَّارِ فَالَّتِي يَقُولُ: إِنَّهَا الْجَنَّةُ هِيَ النَّارُ وَإِنِّي أُذِرُّكُمْ كَمَا أَنْذَرَ بِهِ نوح قومه". مُتَّفَقٌ عَلَيْهِ

قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: النَّجَالُ أَعْوَرُ الْعَيْنِ الْيُمْنَى جُفَالُ الشَّعْرِ مَعَهُ جَنَّتُهُ وَنَارُهُ فَتَارُهُ جَنَّتُهُ وَجَنَّتُهُ نَارٌ». رَوَاهُ مُسْلِمٌ

وَعَنْ حُدَيْفَةَ عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: إِنَّ النَّجَالِ يُخْرِجُ وَإِنَّ مَعَهُ مَاءً وَنَارًا فَأَمَّا الَّذِي يَرَاهُ النَّاسُ مَاءً فَتَارٌ تُخْرِقُ وَأَمَّا الَّذِي يَرَاهُ النَّاسُ نَارًا فَمَاءٌ بَارِدٌ عَذْبٌ فَمَنْ أَذْرَكَ ذَلِكَ مِنْكُمْ فَلْيَتَّقِ فِي الَّذِي يَرَاهُ نَارًا فَإِنَّهُ مَاءٌ عَذْبٌ طَيِّبٌ. مُتَّفَقٌ عَلَيْهِ.

<sup>2</sup> فَبَيْنَمَا هُوَ كَذَلِكَ إِذْ بَعَثَ اللَّهُ الْمَسِيحَ بْنَ مَرْيَمَ فَيَنْزِلُ عِنْدَ الْمِنَارَةِ الْبَيْضَاءِ شَرْقَ دِمَشْقَ بَيْنَ مَهْرُودَتَيْنِ وَاضِعًا كَفَّيْهِ عَلَى أَجْبِحَةِ مَلَكََيْنِ إِذَا طَأَطَأَ رَأْسَهُ قَطْرٌ وَإِذَا رَفَعَهُ تَحْدَرَمَنهُ مِثْلُ جُحَانٍ كَاللُّؤْلُؤِ فَلَا يَجِلُّ لِكَافِرٍ بِيَدٍ مِنْ رِيحِ نَفْسِهِ إِلَّا مَاتَ وَنَفْسُهُ يَنْتَهِي حَيْثُ يَنْتَهِي طَرْفُهُ فَيَطْلُبُهُ حَتَّى يُدْرِكَهُ بِنَابٍ لَدَى فَيَقْتُلُهُ ثُمَّ يَأْتِي عَيْسَى إِلَى قَوْمٍ قَدْ عَصَمَهُمُ اللَّهُ مِنْهُ فَيَمْسُخُ عَنْ وُجُوهِهِمْ وَيُحَدِّثُهُمْ بِدَرَجَاتِهِمْ فِي الْجَنَّةِ

breath will reach as far as his sight. Isa عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ will search for him and kill him at Baab-e-Lud the entrance of Lud. (A city in Jerusalem).

## Seeking protection from Dajjaal <sup>1</sup>

Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ instructed us to seek protection from Dajjaal. He صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ would make the following dua:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ عَذَابِ الْقَبْرِ وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ فِتْنَةِ الْمَسِيحِ الدَّجَالِ  
وَأَعُوذُ بِكَ مِنْ فِتْنَةِ الْمَحْيَا وَفِتْنَةِ الْمَمَاتِ

*O Allah, I seek your protection from the punishment of the grave and from the fitnah of Dajjaal and from the trials of life and death*

## Reciting Surah Kahaf <sup>2</sup>

Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ would encourage us to read Surah Kahaf as reading this Surah on a Friday will save a person from the fitnah of Dajjaal. If a

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تَعَوَّذُوا بِاللَّهِ مِنْ فِتْنَةِ الدَّجَالِ  
وَعَنْ أَبِي الدَّرْدَاءِ قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «مَنْ قَرَأَ ثَلَاثَ آيَاتٍ مِنْ أَوَّلِ الْكَهْفِ عُصِمَ مِنْ فِتْنَةِ الدَّجَالِ». رَوَاهُ التِّرْمِذِيُّ وَعَنْ النَّوَّاسِ بْنِ سَمْعَانَ قَالَ: ذَكَرَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ الدَّجَالَ فَقَالَ: «إِنْ يَخْرُجُ وَأَنَا فِيكُمْ فَأَنَا حَاجِبُهُ دُونَكُمْ وَإِنْ يَخْرُجُ وَلَسْتُ فِيكُمْ فَأَمْرُؤُ حَاجِبِي نَفْسِهِ وَاللَّهُ خَلِيفَتِي عَلَى كُلِّ مُسْلِمٍ إِنَّهُ شَابٌّ قَطَطٌ عَيْنُهُ ظَفِيئَةٌ كَأَنِّي أَشَبَّهُهُ بِعَبْدِ الْعُرَى بْنِ قَطَنِ فَمَنْ أَدْرَكَهُ مِنْكُمْ فَلْيَقْرَأْ عَلَيْهِ فَوَاتِحَ سُورَةِ الْكَهْفِ»

person cannot manage to read the entire Surah, he may read the first 10 aayaat.

### Ibnus Sayyaad

Ibnus Sayyaad's name was Saafi. He was one of the Jews of Madeenah. He was a child at the time when Rasulullah ﷺ came to Madeenah Munawwarah. It is narrated that he expressed his Islam to Nabi ﷺ. Many people ask if Ibnus Sayyaad was Dajjaal.

Ibnus Sayyaad was not the Dajjaal whom Nabi ﷺ mentioned that will come before Qiyaamah. He was a Dajjaal (a liar), who used to tell fortunes. Sometimes what he said came true, and sometimes it did not. He lived after the time of Nabi ﷺ and then got lost on the day of al-Harrah.



# Conclusion

These are a few Ahaadith of Rasulullah ﷺ that explain who Dajjaal is. Once a Sahaabi came to ask Nabi ﷺ about when Qiyaamah will take place? Nabi ﷺ replied, “What preparation have you made for Qiyaamah?” trying to turn the attention of this Sahaabi to the fact that it is more important for you to prepare for such a great event rather than worrying about when it will occur. In the same vein, rather than worrying about how and when Dajjaal will appear, it is more important for us to prepare ourselves and protect ourselves from the evils of Dajjaal.

In a recent fatwa prepared by Darul Uloom Deoband, the following advice was given to those involved in the work of Da’wat and Tableegh. “To move away slightly from the ways and thoughts of our Akaabir is extremely dangerous. Moulana should be more careful in his lectures. He should remain firm on the ways of our elders. He should stop drawing his own conclusions in explaining the nusoos (Qur-aan and Ahaadith). There is a great fear, Allah forbid, that in these farfetched conclusions that Moulana has reached, there may evolve a new sect which will be opposed to the thinking of the Ahlus Sunnah wal Jamaat and our Akaabir, Allah forbid.”

May Allah Ta’ala bless us all with true understanding. *Aameen*.

## Some Facts about Dajjaal

1. Dajjaal will be a young **Jewish** human. His one eye will have no sight. It will be bloodshot and will **stick out like a grape**. His mode of transport will be a donkey. On his forehead will be written, “**ك ف ر**” which will show that he is a kaafir (disbeliever). Every Muslim will be able to read it even though he may be illiterate.
2. The appearance of Dajjaal will be a great test for mankind. It will separate the believers from the disbelievers. He will claim to be God. Allah Ta’ala will give him **super-powers** whereby he will be able to give **life to the dead**. By an indication of his hand, rain will fall. He will provide food to places affected by famine and drought.
3. He will travel the world and cause havoc and corruption all over. He will try to enter **Makkah Mukarramah** and **Madinah Munawwarah** but will be unable to do so because these places will be protected by the angels.
4. Dajjaal will proceed to **Damascus** where he will be confronted by Hadhrat Mahdi (radhiyallahu anhu). Hadhrat Mahdi (radhiyallahu anhu) will prepare the Muslim army to fight Dajjaal. Hadhrat Isa (alayhis salaam) will then make his appearance and it will be Hadhrat Isa (alayhis salaam) who will kill Dajjaal.

The one who regularly recites **Surah Kahaf** on Fridays will be saved from the fitnah (evils) of Dajjaal.



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- Is Dajjaal a Jinn or a Human?
  - Is it necessary for a Muslim to believe in the appearance of Dajjaal?
  - Did Dajjaal make his appearance in the time of Nabi صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ?
  - Is Dajjaal presently out in the world causing mischief and corruption or is he still to make his appearance?
  - What is the belief of a Muslim with regards to Dajjaal?
  - Who is Ibnus Sayyaad?
  - How long will Dajjaal remain in this world?
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