

## DAJJAL HAD APPEARED AND WILL RETURN

Praise be to Allah, and peace and blessings be upon His last prophet and his family.

Once there was some gold sent to the Prophet (peace be upon him) so he distributed it amongst four persons. Some of the Qurayshites and Ansaris felt angry and said, "He gives to the chiefs of the people of Najd and leaves us." (Bukhari: 7432). Meanwhile, Abdullah ibn Dhil-Khuwaysirah at-Tamimi came and said, "Be just, O Allah's messenger!" The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "Woe to you! Who will be just when I am not just?" (Bukhari: 6933). A man sought permission to kill him, but the Prophet (peace be upon him) forbade him. When he went away, the Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "Indeed from his offspring will be a group who will read the Quran but it will not go beyond their throats, they will shoot out past Islam like the arrow's shooting out past the game, they will kill the people of Islam instead of idolaters. (Bukhari: 7432) They will keep appearing until the last of them will appear with Dajjal." (Nasai, Hakim) And the Prophet (peace be upon him) said about Najd, "There will be earthquakes and tribulations, and from there will rise the horn of satan." (Bukhari: 7094) (There is a similar hadith about Iraq, but here Najd does not mean Iraq as some have suggested. Like in the first hadith about Iraq, the Najd amongst whose chiefs the gold was being distributed and that from where Ibn Dhil-Khuwaysirah at-Tamimi hailed, cannot be Iraq because Iraq was not conquered in the Prophet's (peace be upon him) lifetime. Rather, it is the same Najd which, throughout history, has always been referred to as Najd, and still is.)

Dajjal (the great imposter) is a title of the representative leader of a tribulation in the end times which, according to a hadith, is the greatest tribulation ever since the creation of mankind till the final hour. (Muslim: 2946) He is of the ilk whose extremely literal reading of the Quran leads them to kill the Muslims as idolaters, as is indicated by the Prophet (peace be upon him). Mostly called Kharijites, they murdered the commander of the believers, Ali ibn Abi Talib (may Allah be well pleased with him). Their groups kept appearing under different names and labels, terrorizing the Muslim societies throughout time. Having their origin among the Tamimis of Najd, as indicated in the hadith, the kharijites have been described by the Prophet (peace be upon him) as being apparently devout and impressed by their selves. (Musnad Ahmad) So their ego and vanity might

constitute to the reason for them to be cursed with this kharijite deviation and tendencies, and land them in Dajjal's company in the end times, until they perish.

The ahadith mention two appearances of Dajjal. First, in the Iraq-Syria desert region (Muslim) and second, from Khurasan during the rise of Imam Mahdi (may Allah be pleased with him). (Tirmidhi) A careful study of the Islamic prophecies while looking closely at some drastic events of the Muslim world since the past decade suggests that perhaps we are over the first appearance of (the future) Dajjal and are in fact, going through its after effects. We are now heading for his final appearance (be it in disguise), as Mahdi's (may Allah be pleased with him) imposter viz. Dajjal. In sha Allah, we shall first discuss some ahadith, then in the light of some prophecies about Dajjal, we will look at some events which might have signified Dajjal's first appearance. And Allah knows best.

First of all, we must make this clear that not every prophecy is to be taken in its most literal sense, eg., the Prophet (peace be upon him) told his wives that after his death, the first among them to meet him would be the one with the longest arms; among them, Sawdah (may Allah be pleased with her) had the longest arms as a physical trait, but it was Zaynab (may Allah be pleased with her) who was the first to pass away. She worked the most with her hands and gave the most in charity for which the metaphor "longest arms" was used. (Bukhari, Muslim) The concepts and things which did not exist at the time of the Prophet (peace be upon him) are more likely to be indicated metaphorically by him. Secondly, the dreams of the prophets are true revelations from Allah, some require interpretation while others do not. The Prophet (peace be upon him) got angry when he saw the descendants of Hakam al-Umawi in his dream, jumping like monkeys on his pulpit. (Abu Ya'la) This dream, for which interpretation is required, had prophesied the evil Umayyad rule. Lastly, as far as the authenticity of the narrations is concerned, since we are dealing with prophecies, the actualization of a prophecy cancels the need for its chain analysis and automatically proves itself to be a truthful one, i.e., from the Prophet (peace be upon him) himself, as the event prophesied actually takes place. Though the authenticity of the narrations mentioned here cannot be debated, this is another important point I wish to bring up for the reader to keep in mind as he follows course.

The Prophet (peace be upon him) was shown the features and characteristics of Dajjal through dreams. In his dream, the Prophet (peace be upon him) saw Dajjal as a reddish fair man, stout, having rough curly hair, blind in the right eye with the other eye swollen. (Bukhari: 3440, 7128) The Prophet (peace be upon him) told us that one of his eyes is without vision and the other is bloody. (Kitab al-Fitan by Nuaym ibn Hammad: 1318) Dajjal's eye without vision is likely to symbolize his failure to view the spirit of Islam and grasp its inner meanings or reality, while his swollen bloody eye should symbolize his extremism in the literal

meanings or words of the Quran, all which leads him to terrorizing Muslims (whom he deems to be disbelievers). This is corroborated by what the Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "between his eyes is written KFR; every believer will read it, whether literate or illiterate" (Ibn Majah: 4077) "he will read it, the one who dislikes his actions." (Silsilah al-Ahadith as-Sahihah: 2862) KFR are the root letters of the Arabic word "taKFiR", declaring or judging one to be a "kafir" (disbeliever), something with which the Kharijites of all times are obsessed and overly preoccupied with (takfir of muslims). Thus, every believer disliking Dajjal's actions will see him as a "taKFiRi" (even if he isn't able to recognize him as Dajjal). As for those muslims liking his actions, the Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "By Allah! Man will come to him thinking that he is a believer, then follow him because of what he will be sent with of delusions." (Abu Dawood: Kitab al-Malahim) Dajjal's one-eyed view of Islam might be the reason for his other title "Maseeh", meaning "one with an eye wiped out" viz. "one-eyed", another meaning of which is "the anointed one" as is the title of Jesus (peace be upon him). The Prophet (peace be upon him) described Dajjal as a short man who stands widening the gap between his legs. (Abu Dawood: Kitab al Malahim) Ibn Tawus narrated from his father Tawus, that Dajjal will appear from Iraq. (Musannaf Abdur-Razzaq: 20830, Kitab al-Fitan: 1320) Abdullah ibn Mas'ood (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated that the first people to be terrorized by Dajjal will be the people of Kufah (i.e, South Iraqis, most of whom are Shia). Abu Hurayrah narrated that Dajjal will appear from a town in Iraq; upon his coming out, some people will get divided into two groups. One of them will say to the people; "let us go to our brothers in Sham (Levant)." (Kitab al-Fitan:1319) (Note: The Iraqi Shia and the people of Sham have a large number of Tamimis among them whom some prophecies report will be the most sworn opponents of Dajjal; while the Najdi Tamimis are mostly expected to side with Dajjal against Mahdi (peace be upon him) as indicated earlier, and might deem as Mahdi (peace be upon him) to be Dajjal, whereas believe themselves to be the prophesied Tamimi opponents of Dajjal.) Nawwas ibn Sam'an (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated that Allah's messenger (peace be upon him) said, "indeed he will be coming out in the desert corridor between Sham and Iraq." (Muslim: 2937) His age at that time has been reported to be forty years. (Kitab al-Fitan: 1328) A hadith related by Haytham ibn Malik at-Tayi states, "Dajjal will rule Iraq for two years, his justice there will be praised, and people will turn towards him. One day, he will climb the pulpit and deliver a sermon about it." (Kitab al-Fitan: 1323) Though it is obvious of religious leaders to deliver sermons over pulpits, here the scene of Dajjal's climbing the pulpit and delivering a sermon about establishment of justice in Iraq seems to be a momentous symbol of his deemed Islamic state in Iraq.

As for the hadith that mentions Dajjal being chained in a remote island, as witnessed by Tamim ad-Dari (may Allah be pleased with him) and his companions (Muslim: 2942), it is explained by a narration of Miqdam ibn Ma'dikarb (may Allah be pleased with him) that shows Dajjal to be a devil chained in a remote island (Kitab al-Fitan: 1324). The Quran mentions a devil companion of man (Qaf: 27). So the chained one in the hadith of Tamim (may Allah be pleased with him) was the devil component of Dajjal, which unites with the human component to form the complete entity (of Dajjal). This is why this hadith of Tamim ad-Dari (may Allah be pleased with him) did not stop the Sahaba (may Allah be pleased with them) from suspecting ibn Sayyad, the Liar, to be Dajjal.

Several narrations mention Dajjal claiming to be Allah's prophet and the Lord of the world. Since his is the greatest and most delusional tribulation, these claims of his are not necessarily explicit, therefore more implicit. His takfirism explains it. If Dajjal labels disagreement with him as disbelief in the Prophet of Allah, then he is indirectly claiming prophethood for himself. If he claims about his followers that they are the only true believers and will certainly go to Paradise, and that the muslims disagreeing with him have hearts that are void of faith and they are hell-bound hypocrites, then he is claiming divinity i.e, to be their Lord, Lord with one-eyed views! Allah is the sole judge of our hearts and the hereafter whose justice on the Day of Judgement will show each of us where and why he is going, to Paradise or Hell-fire. That is why the Prophet (peace be upon him) told us to know that Dajjal is one-eyed and Allah is not one-eyed, and that none can see his Lord until he dies. (Tirmidhi: al-Fitan) Dajjal is reported to ride a shining ass (Abu Amr ad-Dani: 664); the span between the ends of whose ears is 40 cubits (Kitab al-Fitan: 1324, 1325) and under each ear, 70,000 people will take cover (Abdur-Razzaq: 20855); he will enter the sea without the seawater reaching even his waist (Kitab al-Fitan: 1324, 1325) and he will reach across the world like rain pushed by wind (Muslim: 2937). All of these may be metaphors for satellites (shining ass with 40 cubit wingspan with 70,000 followers of Dajjal under each wing), under-sea internet cables (for entering the sea without getting wet) and radio signals (for travelling globally like rain pushed by wind) indicating internet to be the most utilized vehicle for dajjal's movement. The following hadith conforms to our suggestions about Dajjal's claim of divinity and use of internet. Allah's Messenger (peace be upon him) said; "The issue of Dajjal will be very severe. Allah will send the devils of the east and west to him who will say to him "take our help for whatever you want." Dajjal will tell them "go and tell the people that I am their Lord, I've come to them with (judgements about) Paradise and Hell." So the devils will go and more than a hundred devils will approach man in the forms of his father, sons, brothers, servants and friends saying "Hey! Do you recognize us?" The man will say "very well, my father, my mother, my sister and my brother",

then he will say, "How are you all?" They will respond, "No, you tell us how are you?" He will say, "We have been told that Allah's enemy Dajjal has appeared." The devils will say, "Don't say so, because he's your Lord who wants to judge among you, look at his garden and his fire. He has food and water too, now there's no food except that was already before him or what Allah wills." (Kitab al-Fitan: 1322, narrated by Hudhayfah) So hundreds of takfiri agents can reach a man through the internet calling him to Dajjal's takfiri empire. The Prophet (peace be upon him) said that a man will restrict his mother, daughter, sister and aunt to the house for the fear of their going out to Dajjal. (Ahmad: V.2, p.67) Hudhayfah (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated that the Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "May Allah have mercy upon the man who stops his wife from following Dajjal." (Kitab al-Fitan: 1322) Miqdam (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated about Dajjal that devils of all sorts will gather around him who, will exhume the treasures of the Earth for him and will slaughter the people. (Kitab al-Fitan: 1324) The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "The terror of the one-eyed imposter (Maseeh Dajjal) won't be able to enter Madinah, and that day it will have seven gates, upon every gate will be two angels." (Bukhari: 7125) The Prophet (peace be upon him) said that there will be some people with Dajjal whom he would have resurrected after killing them. (Kitab al-Fitan: 1322, narrated by Hudhayfah) According to Ka'b al-Ahbar's narration, Dajjal will disappear from Syria and after that, there will be no mention of him anymore; after some time, he will appear in the East, establish justice and will get elected caliph near the time of Jesus's (peace be upon him) coming. (Kitab al-Fitan: 1324) A hadith states that Dajjal will reappear when leaders will stop mentioning him on the podium. The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "Indeed Dajjal will appear in the East from a region called Khurasan. Such peoples will follow him whose faces will be as if they are leather-covered rounded shields." (Tirmidhi: al-Fitan), and he (peace be upon him) said, "Seventy thousand such people of my ummah will follow Dajjal who will be wearing striped scarves." (Mishkat: 5254, Sharh as-Sunnah)

I will now show a striking comparison of events of the muslim world with the prophecies we have just covered in this article. May Allah remove the impediments from our hearts and open our chests to the truth. The comparison is as follows:

<b>Prophecies</b>	<b>Events</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kharijites arising in the progeny of ibn Dhil-Khuwaysirah al-Tamimi an-Najdi and killing muslims instead of idolators</li> </ul>	The Najdi Movement founded in the 18 <sup>th</sup> century by Muhammad ibn Abdil-Wahhab Tamimi and (mis-)guided by his progeny is claimed by

(Bukhari)	many to be a modern Kharijite movement for its killing of muslims as idolators. The movement is adhered to by the militant group-Islamic State (IS), which is seen by many as a continuation of the Wahhabi Movement.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Kharijites appearing finally with Dajjal (Nasai, Hakim), who will rise first in the Iraq-Syria desert region. (Muslim)</li> </ul>	In 2012-2014, the Islamic State of Iraq group led by Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi swept across the Iraq-Syria desert region becoming the “Islamic State in Iraq and Syria” (ISIS).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dajjal's being “one-eyed”, a swollen bloody eye (Bukhari, Kitab al-Fitan)</li> </ul>	The Wahhabi ideology of Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi is condemned by muslims for its rejection of Tasawwuf, inner sciences of Islam, esoteric meanings of the Quran and comprehensive study of Aqeedah and Fiqh, and for its extreme literalism esp. in the matters of Aqeedah, its intolerance and bloody extremism.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KFR written between the eyes of Dajjal, read by believers disliking his actions (Ibn Majah, As-Silsilah as-Sahihah)</li> </ul>	Ever since Baghdadi began the killing of muslims as idolators in Iraq, he has been called a takfiri (taKFiRi) by his muslim detractors.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dajjal is reddish fair and stout (Bukhari), a short man who stands widening the gap between his legs (Abu Dawud)</li> </ul>	Baghdadi is reddish fair, short and stout. It is typical of a Wahhabi to stand in the daily prayers with a wide gap between the legs.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dajjal appearing from an Iraqi town, and terrorizing, first of all, the people of Kufah (Shiites). (Kitab al-Fitan)</li> </ul>	Baghdadi hails from Samarra, a town near Baghdad. He gained notoriety for killing Shiites in Iraq and called for their slaughter everywhere in his sermons.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>During Dajjal's rise, a split occurs and a group separates from him towards Syria, Dajjal is 40 years old at that time (Kitab al-Fitan)</li> </ul>	Baghdadi was born in 1972. In 2012, during the rise of the 40 year old Baghdadi in Syria, a group of mostly Syrians, led by Abu Muhammad al-Jawlani, separated from him towards Syria, resulting in the famous Nusrah

	Front-ISIS split.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The most sworn opponents of Dajjal in the Ummah are also Tamimis (Bukhari, Muslim)</li> </ul>	<p>The Iraqi Shiites and Syrians bore the brunt of Baghdadi's extremism. Both fought him and have a large number of Tamimis among them. The major tribes in Iraq are al-Jabouri, Tamimi and Shammar. The Iraqi Shiite militias dealt the most fatal blows to Baghdadi's project in Iraq and Syria.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dajjal's two year rule over Iraq, his justice there being praised, people turning towards him, symbolized by his climbing the pulpit and delivering a sermon about it (Kitab al Fitan)</li> </ul>	<p>In 2014, Baghdadi captured large swathes of Iraq marked by the conquests of Mosul, Anbar and regions around Baghdad, almost all of which he lost by the end of 2016. This two year ruling period was symbolized by the first public video of Baghdadi that showed him climbing the pulpit of the Grand Nuri Mosque of Mosul and declaring his caliphate. Thousands of people from across the world emigrated to the lands of Baghdadi, their deemed caliph.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dajjal's claim of prophethood</li> </ul>	<p>After the advent of a prophet, the followers of the previous prophets would be disbelievers unless they believed in his appointment. There can be no such person after the last prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), but Baghdadi and his followers label those muslims who oppose his deemed caliphate as disbelievers and allies of taghoot, thus equating it to prophethood. Will they say the same about Muawiyah, who fought the Harun of this Ummah (Ali, may Allah be pleased with him)?</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dajjal's claim of divinity by judging about paradise and hell, his followers showing the people</li> </ul>	<p>The Wahhabis claim theirs to be the only saved sect, contrary to what the prophet (peace be upon him) said</p>

<p>his garden and fire (Kitab al-Fitan)</p>	<p>about it “gathering “. So the saved sect is the one whose muslims gather united as an Ummah, shunning sectarianism and espousing an inclusive vision of Islam; while the Wahhabis espouse an exclusive vision of Islam, preaching sectarianism and claiming like Jews that paradise is only for them and the rest of the muslims are hell-bound deviants and hypocrites. IS, in its propaganda videos, presented Baghdadi’s domains as Utopia and heavenly gardens on earth, boasted of having made Iraq the “hell of apostates” (referring to Shiites), and fondly showed Baghdadi’s fire burning a Jordanian pilot, captured in Syria, to death.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dajjal's riding a shining ass with 40 cubit wingspan (satellite), entering the sea without getting wet (through undersea internet cables) and travelling globally like rain pushed by wind (through radio signals) (Kitab al-Fitan)</li> </ul>	<p>The spread of Baghdadi's ideology, network, influence and recruitment drives across the globe became so identified with the internet, that is has rightly been referred to as “the vehicle of IS”.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Man restricting his female relatives to the house for the fear of their going out to Dajjal. (Ahmad)</li> </ul>	<p>During Baghdadi's heyday (2014-2016), thousands of adventurous women, muslim and non-muslim, married and non-married, from across the world, mesmerized by the chauvinistic propaganda of IS, ran away from their homes to reach Baghdadi’s lands and marry his sentinels, setting the trend of “jihadi brides”.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Devils of all sorts gathering around Dajjal, exhuming for him the treasures of the earth and slaughtering people (Kitab al-</li> </ul>	<p>Takfiris from many countries brought a lot of talent to IS, of which it boasted in its magazines and propaganda videos. Trade in</p>



<p>Fitan)</p>	<p>petroleum and archaeological artefacts made IS the richest militant group. Muslims from all age groups from old women to new born infants, in various places from mosques and bazaars to schools and maternity centers, have been slaughtered by IS brutes.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dajjal’s terror being unable to enter Medinah which then has seven gates with two angels upon every gate (Bukhari)</li> </ul>	<p>The Madinah of the Prophet's (peace be upon him) time is encompassed by today’s Prophet's Mosque (peace be upon him), having seven gates to enter with tight security arrangements. In 2016, on the eve of Eid, an IS terror strike took place just outside the Prophet's Mosque when an IS terrorist, intercepted by guards, blew himself up, killing himself and four guards.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some people with Dajjal, whom he resurrected after killing them (Kitab al-Fitan)</li> </ul>	<p>Some brothers who defected from IS, have narrated that IS films fake gun-battles of its fighters for the sake of propaganda, where some of its fighters masquerading as enemies, fake being killed.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dajjal disappearing from Syria, and after some time, when there is no mention of him anymore, reappearing in the east (Kitab al-Fitan) from Khurasan, followed by peoples with faces like leather-covered with rounded shields (Tirmidhi) and by 70,000 such muslims who are wearing striped scarves. (Mishkat, Sharh as-Sunnah)</li> </ul>	<p>In 2019, US commandos raided a compound in Idlib, Syria, whence Baghdadi disappeared before they could get to him and it was claimed that he had blown himself up (a few days before this incident, a brother saw Dajjal in his dream, throwing ash, which interprets to “deception”). Since the downfall of IS in Syria, IS Khurasan has increasingly become the strongest and most active branch of the IS; with most recruits from Central Asian Turkic peoples (having chubby faces) esp. Uzbeks. Wearing scarves marked with networks of</p>

	stripes is common of Wahhabi scholars and leaders.
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What next? If Baghdadi is indeed Dajjal, then after his reappearance (perhaps with a new face) in Afghanistan (Khurasan), IS, which has been repeatedly attacking Shiites and Iranian targets in Afghanistan, will definitely attack Iran, as the Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "Dajjal will definitely descend on Khuz and Kerman with seventy thousand such men whose faces will be as if they are leather-covered rounded shields." (Tirmidhi) During this campaign, his forces will be joined by seventy thousand Jews from Isfahan under dark covers. (Muslim: 2944) (Israeli spy agency, Mossad, has been active in Iran, having carried out assassinations and has also been suspected of covertly facilitating IS's expansion). In those times, Imam Mahdi (peace be upon him) would have risen from Khurasan against the Arab tyrants.

(Narrations in Kitab al-Fitan describe this campaign of 315 mujahideen with sounds from the sky, a palm-shaped pattern appearing in the sky and seats used as ground-tearing weapons and shields, which may signify an aerial campaign. Interestingly, Afghanistan has 315 fighter jets which can be "the black standards of Mahdi rising from the east" as in Sunan ibn Majah: 4084. Allah knows best). It is important to identify Dajjal and his movement from his first coming because in his second coming, he is going to masquerade as Mahdi, creating the greatest fitnah. Most ahadith negate Dajjal's dominance over Makkah and Madinah, not mere entry; that is why the Prophet (peace be upon him) saw in his dream, Dajjal near the Ka'bah (Bukhari). (Note: People will make obeisance to Mahdi (may Allah be pleased with him) near the Ka'bah; Dajjal might stage it's much publicized replica for himself.) A hadith reported by Asma bint Yazid mentions the two mosques- The Grand Mosque of Makkah and the Prophet's (peace be upon him) Mosque- to be the places safe from Dajjal. (Kitab al-Fitan) Dajjal will besiege (the Prophet's (peace be upon him)) Madinah (i.e, today's Prophet's Mosque) capturing the region around it (i.e, today's extended Madinah outside the Prophet's Mosque, as he will be camping near Mount Uhud which lies within today's Madinah). Then he will go to besiege al-Quds. (Hakim)

Beware of the weak narration that mentions Dajjal to be on the west of the river of Jordan and the Muslims fighting him to be on its east. It contradicts many narrations that clearly state Imam Mahdi (peace be upon him) and his soldiers to be in al-Quds on the west side of the river of Jordan and Dajjal to be coming from the east. Remember that, though Jesus (peace be upon him) will appear in Damascus,

he will reach al-Quds and pray behind Imam Mahdi (peace be upon him) before killing Dajjal. (Kitab al-Fitan: 1335, Kanz al-Ummal: 38861)

The Prophet (peace be upon him) said, "I am telling you all this so that you will keep it well in your minds, understand it, remember it, work with regards to it and tell those behind you. So let every person tell the other, because the fitnah of Dajjal is the most severe of all the tribulations." (Kitab al-Fitan: 1322, narrated by Hudhayfah (may Allah be pleased with him))