

# PROPHACIES OF ISLAM

Signs of Appearance
THE COMING OF
AL-MEHDI

The Savior (Peace be upon Him)

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#### Introduction

#### In the name of God, the Beneficent, the Merciful.

Thanks to the mighty Lord of the universe and peace and praise be upon his messenger prophet Mohemmed (Peace be upon him), his pure progeny, his good companions and all of the good followers. Special praise be upon the twelve apostle Mohemmed ben Hassan Al-Askari (peace be upon him), the awaited one. O Lord, I seek refuge with You from the accursed evil of Satin.

Where is the world going? Are we seeing the truth? Are we being guided? Are our religious leaders doing their jobs by giving us the glad tidings and the warnings about the hereafter? What satin is doing to us? Are we going to have a savior to save us from the world's corruption? I have many other questions that needs to be answered.

#### The battle of Satan and humans

This battle will continue until the end of the world. The mighty God created this world in a good and virtuous form, He created Adam (P), Satin put his trick, therefore Adam (P) was out of heaven, with the support of Satin Adam's son Kane killed his other son able, time went by until Noah (P), Noah (P) warned his people for 950 years, it did not have any affect upon them, they deserved the wrath of God because of their bad behavior, with the flood and the downpour the mighty God (glorious be He) purified the world again, the remaining living among them were the pure, believing, God fearing ones, still only the three sons of pure Noah were the only ones that could bear children.

Once again people under the influence of Satin started to go astray, the reason why God send Abraham (P), everyone knows the story of Sodom and Gomorra, once again the mighty God (Glorious be He) purified the world from corruption of Satin.

It did not take long before the Ferro of Egypt started the corruption process again; they tortured the Israelites to the point of making them slaves. Once again God Almighty came to the rescue and saved them from the humility of oppression.

But you think people had taken a lesson, not really, the corruption continued, therefore Jesus (P) came, and it is clear what he had gone through.

The world became corrupt again, in the holy city of Mecca beside the crookedness and corruption; there was three hundred and sixty different gods that people worshiped, burying alive innocent born girls, because they were ashamed of girls,

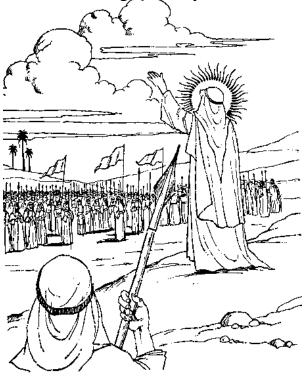
robbing each other, making slaves out of people, they owned women and did what ever they pleased with the.

Today it does not take much to see that we are loosing the battle with Satin, the world is going again toward immorality, corruption, oppression, infidelity, fraud, sleaze ...etc, the strong is eating the week alive, the law of the jungle is being applied, spread of adultery, sodomy, lust, liquor, gambling is becoming stronger day by day. In my humble days about thirty years ago I remember the modesty and chastity of the films and actors, today! There are very little if they were any.

In many hadiths and statements Prophet Mohammed (P) foretold what will happen in the last days of corruption, injustice, and destruction, he (P) mentioned about how the religion will be lost, fake will be seen as truth, bad will be seen as good ...etc. then it is time for the savior, Al-Mehdi the twelve apostle will come, he will have the ring of Solomon (P), the cane of Moses (P), Jesus (P) will be on his side, he will have the turban of Mohemmed (P) and the heir of the rest of the grand messengers of God almighty. Jesus (P) also will come and together they will straiten the world once again toward good and excellence, they will spread justice, fairness, peace and tranquility as it was filled with corruption and oppression.

Please note that all the mistakes in translation is been made by this poor slave, I pray that I did my best.

May the dear God speed their coming, and may He make us among his soldiers.



#### The story of the 12<sup>th</sup> apostle Al-Mehdi (P)

He is the 12<sup>th</sup> apostle of the She'a sect of Islam, the second largest denomination and called the twelvers (She'a ithna ashareyyah).

His name is Imam Mohemmed son of Imam hassan Al-Askary son of Imam Ali Al-Hadi son of Imam Mohemmed Al-Jowad son of Imam Ali Ar-Ridtha son of Imam Mousa Al-Kathem son of Imam Ja'far As-Sadeq son of Imam Mohemmed Al-Bager son of Imam Ali Zain-ul-Abedin son of Imam Hussain son of Imam Ali ben Abu Talib, the son in law of Prophet Mohemmed (P) and his grand mother is the lady Fatimah the daughter of Prophet Mohemmed (P).

His lovely beautiful mother is the Roman princess lady Khatoon Narjis the daughter of Roman Caesar.

It is said that he was born on 15<sup>th</sup> night of Sha'ban, year 255 HJ 869 A.D. His father the 11<sup>th</sup> Imam AlHassan Al-Askari dies while he was at the age of five. In an attempt to be killed by the Abbasside king he was hidden from the Authorities. Only very close followers knew about his whereabouts, and he only relayed the massage to the She'a first through his fathers close associates Othman son of Sa'eed then when he died it was through his son Mohemmed, then through Abul-Qasem son of Hussain Al-Nowbakhty and the last was Ali son of Mohemmed As-samry, by the death of the last safir (ambassador) year 329 HJ 941 A.D. the 12<sup>th</sup> Imam by the order of God did not appoint another ambassador and became hidden completely until the order of the mighty God (glorious be He).

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#### Al-Mehdi's mother Princess Narjis Khatoon.

His mother, the lady Narjis, or also known as the lady Susan, among the names that she had, she was a Roman princess, the immaculate, the most pure off spring of the European nations, she was sent to the streets of Baghdad, so that the hand of fate will lead her to become the wife of the eleventh apostle, the most pure, son of the tenth apostle, Abu Hassan Al-Askary (P).

This story is written in many history books and I think that it should be spread, to let the people be more acquainted with their beloved master the twelfth apostle.

#### The Most Amazing Love Story! Who is the Lady Narjis (P)

Above the powers of the human?
Yes, Lies the power of fate
When you thought it was astray
The beloved made it strait

Among the names of the beloved God is "Rabb" which means the (Cherisher, Sustainer, Discipliner) of the world, he watches us all the times, and wherever there is a need for cherish, he will cherish. There is no doubt that the good issues, He will put it in the hands of the good people. He knows who is the best, he chooses the important issues and gives it to the important people among his servants, so they can accomplish it the best.

#### The beloved matchmaker makes matches

To accomplish a certain task, and cherish the elite servants, the mighty God will create certain pearls of people, in which they are, God loving, disciplined teachers, these teachers can nourish with their purity the chosen people, and make them be capable and worthy of being with the pure family of the prophet Mohemmed (P), the ones that the mighty Allah said about them:

"...... and surely Allah wishes to remove all abomination from you, ye members of the family (of Mohemmed), and to make you pure and spotless" Qur'an (33) Al-Ahzab verse 33

Also among the other nations, clean, pure, and chastised, ladies have been chosen, so that they can be mixed with the pure waters of Imama (apostelhood), so that immaculate off springs will be born.

#### **Princesses**

A number of incidences has been seen, one of them is the mother of the awaited 12<sup>th</sup> Imam (P), This lady, the princess, the beautiful, is the daughter of one of the disciples of Jesus, the son of Mary (P).

The hands of the power had chosen her, sent to Samerra in Iraq, to become the wife of the 11<sup>th</sup> apostle, so she can nourish in her clean womb the shining jewel, the awaited holy spirit, Al-Mehdi (p) the son of the Hassan Al-Askari (p).

Also the Lady Shah Rabanoo, the daughter of the Yazdojerd of Iran was brought from Mada'en to become the mother of the 4<sup>th</sup> apostle, Imam Zain-ul-Abedeen (P), the son of the master of the martyrs, Imam Hussein (P), and Narjis the daughter of the

greatest Caesars of Rome, from the family of Simeon, the immediate disciples of Jesus, she was chosen by the powerful hand of fate to become the mother of the 12<sup>th</sup> apostle (P).

#### The start of the story

Shaikh Tabarsi writes in his book, stating it from Beshr Al-Ansari (the servent of the Imam Ali Al-Naqi, the 10<sup>th</sup> apostle(P)) as saying: "one day, the Imam called him and said:

O, beshr, you are among the Ansars, and our friendship with the Ansars is long with many generations, therefore I want to give you a mission so it can be of virtuous to you.

Beshr continued, I became very anxious as the Imam, wrote a letter, sealed it, and gave it to me, then he brought out a yellow handkerchief, that had 220 golden Dinars, and said:

Take this gold, and the letter, go to Baghdad, and be on the roadway of Euphrates, tomorrow afternoon you will see the arrival of a ship, with many women servants for sale. The most buyers you will see among the Abbasids, and some other Arabs, you watch for a ship that on it's board is a merchant, his name is Amr ben Yazeid Nahhas, and you will see a lady that when the merchants try to take the veil off their faces to show them to the buyers, she will completely refuse, and will not let anyone take her veil off, or even hear her voice.

Then the Imam gave the description of the lady, as saying she wears two pieces of silk, and with the persistence of the buyers, she will mumble something in Roman language, to save her chastity from being attacked.

One of the buyers will say: I will buy this servant for three hundred Dinars, she will say: "I have no need for you even if you own King Solomon's kingdom". The merchant Nahhas will say: "there is no way but to sell you", she will reply: "Don't be in a hurry, my buyer will show up", at this time you go close to the merchant Amr ben Nahhas and say: "one of the nobles had written a letter in Roman language, if I could show it to the servant, may be she will be interested in the writer, so I could buy her for him"

Bishr Al-Ansari continued as saying: "I have followed the instructions as instructed, reached the shore of the Euphrates, Tigris river, the ships arrived, the foreseen issues were fulfilled one by one, and at the right time I went foreword, gave the letter to her, she started crying and said: "Take me to the writer of this letter, and if you do not sell me to him I will kill myself".

These introductions had given me the will to bargain strongly about the price, and sure enough, Amr ben Nahhas finally agreed to the price that was given to me by the Imam Al-Hadi (P), I gave the gold, took the servant, I saw her happily laughing, we took off, reached the room which I had accommodated in Baghdad, she took the letter out again, reading it, happily kissing it, and whipping her eyes with it,.

I asked, kissing a letter, and you have never seen the writer or known him? She said: "You ignorant man! Know the honor, and the greatness of Ahl ol-beit (the prophet's family) and listen to my amazing story.

#### The Amazing Story

The Lady Narjis Said: "I am princess, the daughter of Yashoaa Caesar of Rome, my mother is among the daughters of Simeon, the apostle of Jesus the son of Mary (P), let me tell you about the astonishing strange incident.

My grandfather the Caesar wanted to merry me off to my cousin, his brothers son, in the process, he called all the priests and monks, chose 300 among them, then chose 700 of the high ranking officers of the country, and 4000 of trusted, dignifying nobles of the citizens. He ordered to manufacture a great throne surrounded by gold and gallery, to be put in the middle of the castle on a great stand, and put his brother's son on it.

The maids and the servants, put on their official clothes, actively started to serve, the priests had opened their bibles, they were about to start the reading, when suddenly the castle started to shake! And whoever was on the throne fell to the ground, the stands legs broke off, Caesar's nephew fell down and fainted.

The priests were shaking out of fear, some of them on the ground, the high priest went to the Caesar and said: "this is a bad sign, it is a bad omen, asking to be dismissed, he continued that this is a sign that the religion of Christianity was going to be vanished".

My grandfather, wanting this ceremony to go on so bad, he ordered the servants to bring everything back in order, put the candles in it's place, called another one of his nephews, let him sit on the chair on the throne, and again was about to induce the Marriage, thinking that he could bring joy and happiness, and lift the omen of the bad luck or misfortune. Once again the castle started to shake and the throne broke, causing great fear among the guests, everyone ran away, leaving my grandfather, the Caesar, sad and lonely in the castle, deep in thought. I was also sad and depressed, hid myself in a corner, and went to sleep.

That night, I saw a fearful dream, I dreamt of seeing Jesus, with Simeon, and the apostles (P), gathered in my room, when suddenly a high chair (member) appeared in the sky, on top of my grandfathers chair, then I saw a number of shining men coming down, they said: "This is Mohemmed Al-Mostafa (P), Ali Al-Mortatha (P), Hasan Al-Mojtaba, Husein Al-shaheed, and eight of his sons (P), they came, and sat down, Prophet Mohemmed (P), looking at Jesus (P) said: "O you spirit of God, I came to relate our families by asking the hand of the Queen Narjis from Simeon for my son Abu Mohemmed Hasan Al-Askary to perform marriage, Jesus the Messiah (P) looked at Simeon and said: "happiness had marched towards you, perform the marriage and relate yourself with the prophet Mohemmed's Family (P), then he sat on the stand (member), gave an eloquent speech, performed the marriage between me and the 11<sup>th</sup> apostle, Abu Mohemmed Al-Askary, and Jesus and the rest of the apostles left, I woke up, surprised and frightful, if I tell this story to anyone I may be killed, I kept this heavenly secret in my heart, not telling anyone, I was sure that my dream was true, and this incident would be fulfilled, but I did not know how?, I fell in love with Abu Mohemmed, I was thinking about him, his love surrounded me, I became thin and looking sad, my grandfather thought I was ill, they started bringing Medical doctor, to my bed, there was no doctor in Rome unless came to the palace for me, but had no result, because their diagnostics and my illness were very different, my father, given up my cure, desperate and despondence, came to me and said: "My beloved daughter, do you have a wish that I can fulfill? I said: I see the doors of joy are closed in my face, but if you have Moslem prisoners, set them free, and take their chains away, maybe I feel better, and I wish that Jesus and his mother, to cure me. My father freed a group of Moslem prisoners, eased on others, I showed that I was getting better, started eating a bit of food, this made my father look after the Moslem prisoners more, be kind to them, and ease their lives. Fourteen nights passed away from this incident.

At night I dreamt of the mistress, lady Fatimah to-Zehraa (P) was coming, as if a voice was telling me she is the mother of your husband. I went forward, complained about Abu Mohemmed, uncontrollably started crying, she (P) said: "as long as you are in different religion, my son will not come near you! If you want to satisfy God, and Jesus, you should choose Islam to be able to see Abu Mohemmed! I said: I am willing heart and soul, she said then say:

**Ash'hado an la ilaha illa Allah, wa Anna Mohemmeden resoulo Allh** (I bear witness that there is no God But Allah, and Mohemmed is his messenger)." When I finished these sentences, she embraced and hugged me, and said: "Be glad, soon you will see Abu Mohemmed".

I woke up, being overwhelmed by the love of him, missing him so badly, I started crying until I felt sleepy, and went to sleep again, this time Imam Al-Hasan Al-Askary came to my dream, I being so anxious, told him: "Why have you forsaken me? You took my heart, made me love you so much, and left me not missing you, and now I am in this shape!! He said: "Your belief was the reason for the delay, but from now on I will come to your dream every night, till the day when the mighty Allah will put us together".

Then she continued: "O beshr, since that night forward, I was blessed with the visitations of Abu Mohemmed". Bishr asked: "How did you become among the prisoners?"

#### The Imprisonment event

Lady Narjis said: "One night, Abu Mohemmed (P) told me, soon your grandfather will send an Army to fight the Moslems, behind the army, he will accompany them, you also go with them so we can reach each other. Sure enough during that trip, I was with my grandfather, when the battle with the Moslems started, war broke out, Moslems won, they took us as prisoner, and the end was as you have seen in that port of buying and selling slave market, no one knew who I was except you, the one whom I have explained my situation to. The person whom took me as prisoner asked me what is my name I said my name is Narjis, he said: "what a surprise! A girl from Rome, and you know the Arabic language with such a beauty?".

I said: "my grandfather loved me so much and he wanted me to learn Arabic, and it's grammar, therefore I learnt it with different teachers".

Beshr said: "from this moment on I saw myself as a humble man in front of her until, we reached the Imam Ali Al-Naqqi". Imam asked: "how did you find the dignity of Islam?" She said: "What should I say about the Knowledge, He know it more!". Then the Imam said: a message of good tidings for you, for you will beget a child, that will fill the East and West of the world with fairness and justice as it was filled with unfairness and oppression."

The Lady Narjis asked: "By Whom?".

The Imam answered: "By the one whom prophet Mohemmed (P) had asked your hand from Jesus and Simeon (P) to merry you to him", then the Imam (P) had informed all the details of the story that the lady Narjis has told me.

#### The Quranic verses about the coming of Al-Mehdi (P)

The Quran is the source and the Godly spring of information and orders that was descended upon the seal of the Prophets (P), it is mandatory for us to believe and obey what it tells us.

Among the glad tidings that were given to us is the worldly rise of the twelve apostle Imam Al-Mehdi (P) and the spread of justice in the world after the corruption. This issue is unanimous among all sects of Islam.

#### The signs for this just government

The holy Qur'an has many dimensions, it is among the characteristics of the Qur'an that makes it unique and always new, it is a living miracle, anyone who says otherwise needs to prove his statement. We should read the Quran as if it is been descended today for our time and era, it should be applied for our daily lives, usages and needs. In his book Signs of appearance of the 12<sup>th</sup> apostle Shaikh Mohemmed Khademi Shirazi wrote that among the verses:

We will show them Our Signs in the universe, and in their ownselves, until it becomes manifest to them that this (the Qur'an) is the truth. Is it not sufficient in regard to your Lord that He is a Witness over all things? (41.53)

مَنْرِيهِمْ آيَاتِنَا فِي الآفَاقِ وَفِي أَنْفُسِهِمْ حَتَّى يَتَبَيْنَ لَهُمْ أَنَّهُ الْحَقُّ أَوَلَمْ يَكْفِ بِرَبِّكَ أَنَّهُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ شَهِيدُ (فصلت 53/41).

It is possible that these signs in the universe are among the signs that the Prophet (P) foretold (God's willing we will touch on them in the next chapters) such as the scream in the sky, and the signs in us (ourselves) would be the fear, terror and horror.

Another verse that could be related to the signs of the 12th apostle Al-Mehdi (P):

And certainly, We shall test you with something of fear, hunger, loss of wealth, lives and fruits, but give glad tidings to *As-Sâbirin* (the patient ones, etc.). (2.155)

وَلَنَبْلُوَتُكُمْ بِشَيْءٍ مِنْ الْخَوْفِ وَالْجُوعِ وَنَقْصٍ مِنْ الْأَمْوالِ وَالْأَنْفُسِ وَالْتَمَرَاتِ وَبَشِّرْ الصَّابِرِينَ (البقرة155/2).

A hadith relate to Imam Ja'far ben Mohemmed (P) said: "Prior to the coming of (Al-Qa'm) Al-Mehdi there will be signs where people will be in tested with problems and the triumph success will be with the patience"

A man asked: "and what are these sign?"

The Imam (P) replied: "God's words: (And certainly, We shall test you with something of fear, hunger, loss of wealth, lives and fruits, but give glad tidings to *As-Sâbirin* (the patient ones, etc.). (2.155).

It can be gathered that the following dark troubles will be upon the people:

- 1- Fear and turmoil
- 2- Hunger and drought
- 3- Corruption in businesses.
- 4- Loss of lives

#### Another verse from the Holy Quran:

And they said: "Why is not a sign sent down to him from his Lord?" Say: "Allah is certainly able to send down a sign, but most of them know not." (6.37)



"Allah is certainly able to send down a sign,"

Imam Abu Ja'far (P) said for the verse "Allah is certainly able to send down a sign," That the mighty God will show signs, among them (dabbatol-Arth) a moving existence will come out of the earth, the Dajjal (the liar), dissention of Jesus the son of Merry (P), and the rise of the sun from the west.

The Imam (P) is giving us the signs as they are prior the coming of Al-Mehdi (P) and they are:

- 1- (Dabbatol-Arth) a living existence will come out of the earth.
- 2- The Dajjal (the liar) will appear.
- 3- Jesus (P) will come down from the heaves.
- 4- The sun will rise from the west.

#### Another verse from the holy Quran:

Say: "He has power to send torment on you from above or from under your feet, or to cover you with confusion in party strife, and make you to taste the violence of one another." See how variously We explain the (proofs, evidences, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.), so that they may understand. (6.65)

قُلْ هُوَ الْقَادِرُ عَلَى أَنْ يَبْعَثَ عَلَيْكُمْ عَذَابًا مِنْ فَوْقِكُمْ أَوْ مِنْ تَحْتِ أَرْجُلِكُمْ أَوْ يَلْبِسِكُمْ شِيعًا وَيُذِيقَ بَعْضَكُمْ بَأْسَ بَعْضِ انظُرْ كَيْفَ نُصَرِّفُ الآياتِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَفْقَهُونَ (الأنعام 6/55).

Imam Abu Ja'afer (P) was quoted in explaining this verse "Say: "He has power to send torment on you from above or from under your feet, or to cover you with confusion in party strife, and make you to taste the violence of one another" said: it is the coming of Dajjal (the liar), the scream, (or from under your feet) the ground will cave in the land, (or to cover you with confusion in party strife) accusing each other, and (and make you to taste the violence of one another) will kill each other.

#### Another verse:

Say: "Tell me, - if His torment should come to you by night or by day, - which portion thereof would the (disbelievers, polytheists, sinners, criminals) hasten on ?" (10.50)

قُلْ أَرَأَيْتُمْ إِنْ أَتَاكُمْ عَذَابُهُ بَيَاتًا أَوْ نَهَارًا مَاذَا يَسْنَتَعْجِلُ مِنْهُ الْمُجْرِمُونَ(يونس50/10).

Related to Imam Al-Baqer (P) as saying: the torment in this verse means the torments that come down upon the Muslims in the last days.

#### Another verse:

And if you could but see, when they will be terrified wit	وَلَوْ تَرَى إِذْ فَزِعُوا فَلاَ فَوْتَ إِنَّا أَنْ أَوْتَ الْأَلْفُوتَ اللهُ أَخِذُوا مِنْ مَكَانٍ قَرِيبٍ (سبأ
no escape (for them), and they will be seized from a nea	وَ أَخِذُوا مِنْ مَكَانٍ قَرِيبٍ (سبأ
place.( 34.51)	.(51/34

Also related to Imam Al-Baqer (P) as saying for the exegesis of this verse: the fear is from the scream that is heard all over the world from the sky as a prelude to the coming of the Mehdi (P), also in that case the land of Beida' folled with the soldiers of As-Sofyani will collapse and die. (in a statement the number of the soldiers will be 300,000).

#### Another verse:

A questioner asked concerning a torment about to befall.	سَأَلَ سَائِلٌ بِعَذَابٍ وَاقِع (المعارج
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Also related to Imam Al-Baqer (P) as saying for the exegesis of this verse: A fire will burst from the Western side led by a king, until it reaches behind the houses of the tribe of Bany Sa'd Ben Hammam, beside their mosque, will burn all houses and the people of Bani Ommeyyah that had any oppression to the progeny of the prophet (P) and he is the uprisor of the prophets family the Mehdi (P).

The scholar Al-Mejlisi said: these are the signs of the coming of the Mehdi (P).

# Prophet Mohemmed (P) And The Coming Of Al-Mehdi And Jesus (Peace Be Upon Them)

Hadiths
Signs Mentioned By The Seal Of The
Prophets (P) About The Coming Of
Al-Mehdi And Jesus
(Peace Be Upon Them)

Every major messenger foretold about the coming of the next messenger, even in the bible many paragraphs are devoted to this issue, the reason why Pharaoh started killing all the first born babies, it was out of fear that the next savior whom was coming, his name was Moses (P), but he came anyway, Moses foretold about the coming of Jesus (P), Jesus (P) foretold about the coming of Prophet Mohemmed (P) and in turn Prophet Mohemmed (P) foretold about the coming of the Al-Mehdi and Jesus (P).

Related to Abu Abdullah that Prophet Mohemmed (P) said: 'An era will come upon my nation when their inner selves and feelings will be dirty and malicious, their outer appearance will be good in greed for this mundane world, they do not want what God (glorious be He) has, their actions are show and hypocrisy, they do not fear God, then God will punish them all, they call Him the call of a desperate drowning, and they will not be answered'. (Behar Al-Anwad, vol. 52, p.190)

Several signs can be seen from this hadith:

- 1- Hearts will be filled with maliciousness and vices.
- 2- People will act and show niceness but their hearts are empty from good and virtues.
- 3- This show and hypocrisy is to win the filth and immoral issues of this secular mundane life.
- 4- Although they worship but not for the mighty God (glorious be He).
- 5- No time devoted for the hereafter.
- 6- They have no fear for God (glorious be He).
- 7- Their calls and supplications will not be answered even if it was the desperate call of a person who is drowning.

In another statement related to the prophet (P) as saying: 'An era will come upon my nation when the Quran will be nothing but drawing words, Islam will be nothing but a name, they call themselves by it and they are far from it, Muslim mosques will be built up nicely but empty from guidance, the scholars of that time are the worst scholars, the seduction for corruption begins with them and to them will return'.

The seal of the prophets beloved Mohemmed (P) gave us those several signs which can be observed:

- 1- The life given content of the Qur'an will be put aside
- 2- Nothing will remain from the beautiful Islam except its name
- 3- Most of the people claim to be Muslims while nothing is known about it.
- 4- The mosques are so beautiful in shape and building but instead of piety, it becomes like a club and would be the center for backbite, slander, and hatred.
- 5- The religious scholars would be the worst scholars under the sun.

6- The corruption starts from the religious scholars and will return to them as well.

In another hadith related to Imam Ja'far As-Sadeq that the prophet (P): 'Islam started as (stranger) an outsider and will return to be (stranger) an outsider, therefore  $T\hat{u}b\hat{a}$  (it means all kinds of happiness or name of a tree in Paradise) is for the strangers'. (Behar Al-Anwad, vol. 52, p.191)

And surely in the beginning when Islam started as new it was a stranger to the people and at the end of time also will return to being stranger to the people, but the prophet (P) is giving the glad tidings to those who are patient and although the society treated them as strangers but they held on to their faith.

A hadith related to the prophet (P) said: 'Al-Mehdi is related to us, Islam will be finalized with him as it started by us'

Also related to Him (P): 'at the end of the time, my nation will go through a terrible disaster from their sultans, no other tragedy is heard as that tragedy, a man cannot even find a place to hide, then God will send a man from my pure progeny that will fill the earth with fairness and justice as it is filled with oppression and corruption. He will be loved by the people of the earth as he will be loved by the dwellers of the skies, the rain will be pure and the earth will give its plants (fruits)'. (Imam Al-Mehdi ind ahl As-Sunnsh, vol. 2 mashareq Al-Anwar, p.29).

Also: 'there will come an era at the end of the time where people will have the faces of humans and the hearts of the Devils, they resemble the wild vicious wolves, no mercy in their hearts, blood shed is their trait, they do not withhold themselves from shameful doings, if you follow them they push you away, if you be of a distance they will backbite and find faults in you, if they talked to you they lied, if you trusted them they breached the trust, their children are spoiled, their youngsters are apathy, they are so pleased with themselves to the point of making others sick of their bad behavior, their leaders will not enjoin the good and will not forbid the bad deeds, to have dignity with them is lowly and humility, asking what they have is real poverty, the indulgent among them is seduced, the enjoined of the good is accused, the believer among them is weak, the corrupt among them is honored, religious tradition among them is heresy innovation, and heresy innovation is religion. At that time God will authorize upon them their worst corrupted, and their good will ask and supplicate to God but God will not answer their prayer'.

#### Signs of appearance

We should know that the ultimate administrator, leader and the owner of this cosmos is no one but the Almighty God (SWT), everything is under the power of His will and command. These signs that I mentioned are the purport of the hadiths. The signs may be divided into the following categories, some of the signs may be changed.

- 1- Special or private signs, to be an indication that Al-Mehdi is an apostle of Allah and no fake person will impersonate him.
- 2- Assured signs, will happen regardless
- 3- Public or general signs
- 4- Hanging signs, dependant upon God's will, or upon people's actions, may or may not happen
- 5- Signs already happened in the past.
- 6- Signs that will happen in the future

It is important to know these signs so that the believer will not be confused and follow the correct truth and the true Imam rather than the fake person.

# 1- Special or private signs, to be an indication that Al-Mehdi is an apostle of Allah and no fake person will impersonate him.

- 1- a special knowledge that at the time willed by God that knowledge will be spread in the societies.
- 2- He (P) has a sword that at the specific time the sword will be ready to come out of the sheath.
- 3- Ark angel Gabriel will descend in a form of a human and will give him (P) the command for appearance.
- 4- God will reveal in his heart to rise.

#### 2- Assured signs, will happen regardless

- 1- Dajjal will come. His name is Sa'ed ben As-Said comes from the city of Isfahan from the village of Yahoodeyyah, permits adultery, homosexuality, intoxicant drinks, and other forbidden acts. Losers are the ones who follow him.
- 2- A loud voice calls the name of the Imam Al-Qa'em (Al-Mehdi). The voice will be heard by all the people on the face of the earth, however Satan will not leave this issue of calling until he calls at the end of the day to make the people doubt the first call, and to make them follow (As-Sofiani) Othman ben Anbasah, a decendent of Otbah ben Abi Sofian. Losers are the one that doubt the first call.
- 3- As-Sofiani will come. As mentioned above his name is Othman ben Anbasah. He is reddish in color, blond and blue, he never worshiped God, never saw Mecca or Medina. He will form two armies in Damascus, will send one to Baghdad, they will kill more than three thousand, adulterate more than a hundred virgins, kill

three hundred of Bani Abbas then they move toward the city of Al-Koofa when the soldiers of Al-Huda will face them, kill them all, and save all the slaves. The other army will move toward Al-Madina, stay in it three days and nights, killing and demolishing whatever they put their hands on, then they take off toward the holy city of Mecca where God will order Gabriel to destroy them in a place called Al-Beida'. Archangel Gabriel (P) will do that distorting them all except a man with the name of Juhainah.

- 4- The collapse of Al-Beida', as mentioned above.
- 5- Killing the pure soul. His name is Mohemmed son of Al-Hassan, will be killed between the Rokkn (black stone) and Meqam (the door of Ka'bah).
- Revolution of the Seyyed of Hasani: He will rise in Ad-Dailam, calls O All Mohemmed, very pious strong men will answer him, will go toward the evil, he will kill them until most of the earth will be cleaned from corruption, then he puts his strong hold in Al-Kufah. The news of Al-Mehdi will reach them, the Seyyed of Hasani will go to receive them and will ask Al-Mehdi: if you are Al-Mehdi, where is the cudgel (bat) of the prophet (P),his ring, his clock, his turban,.... The Quran of Imam Ali (P). Al-Mehdi will bring them out, Seyyed of Hasani sticks the cudgel (bat) in a hard land, immediately will turn green with leaves as a miracle from God, he will pledge his elegance to Al-Mehdi (P), few rebel and will not believe, but they will be killed.
- 7- A sign will be shown from the sky, rise with the sun it resembles a hand.
- 8- Two eclipses: sun eclipse in the middle of Ramadthan and moon eclipse at the end of it.
- 9- Three loud voices will be heard: first says: "God's Damnation be upon the oppressors". Second says: "The Day of Resurrection draws near" and third: a body shows before the sun saying: "this is the prince of the believer is coming to destroy the oppressors".
- 10- The destruction of Bani Al-Abbas: this had happened by the leader Holako.

# Hanging signs, dependant upon God's will, or upon people's actions, may or may not happen

These signs are not sure to be happening, it actually depends upon people and since God (SWT) made people with the power of choice, these signs depend upon people.

#### **First: General disasters**

Truth will die, also the people of the truth may die as well, corruption will take over, people of mischief will take leadership, the high will make fun of the low, sodomy and gay appear in public, lesbians will appear in public, boys give men as women give, women marry women you will see people brag about their sins and mischief. You will see corruption manifested and their people doing them not stopped but excused, you see neighbors harming their neighbors, complementing each other will increase for their wrongdoings. You will see the good people hated, their words or advices are not accepted, and therefore he is silenced, bad people look at them as

strange, they trouble them and the bad feel good about seeing the good in trouble. Drinking will be public, corrupt people are strong humiliating the good. You will see God's houses (mosques and Husseyneiias) are put to neglect, make fun and go against them.

#### Second: 60 people claim prophecy

many people had claimed prophecy such as Museilamah Al-Kathab and the woman Besjaj, also many will claim prophecy and all are corrupt and liars, probably among them will be sixty that claim prophecy.

#### Third: Twelve seyyeds that will claim to be Imams

Related to the hadith as saying that the Mehdi (P) will not come unless twelve seyyeds from Bani Hashem claim to be Imams calling to themselves.

#### Forth: A bridge will connect Baghdad to Al-Karkh

Building of the above bridge.

#### Fifth: Making graveyards (cemeteries) mosques.

Related to a hadith that a time will come that the graves will taken as mosques, beautified the Qurans and made the mosques ornament.

#### Six: Destruction of Baghdad

After the high buildings, castles, and great mentions, then being the place of corruption, sins, gambling, adultery, and drunkenness it will be destructed. This issue could have already happened, as after the Abbasite era the attack of Holako and they destroyed the city of Baghdad.

### Seventh: The Destruction of the wall of Al-Kufah after the house of Abdullah Ben Mus'ood

This incident had already happened. In a hadith related to Imam As-Sadeq (P) that this wall destruction will happened and the one who destroys it will not build it back and after this the Abbasid kingdom will collapse.

#### Eighth: Euphrates will over flow the city of Al-Kufah

This incident also happened. In a Hadith related to Imam As-Sadeq (P) that in the year of Fateh Euphrates will have branches and will enter the lanes and Allies of Al-Kufah.

#### Ninth: Al-Kufah will be rebuilt after distruction

This also had happened and is growing daily.

Tenth: The holy city Najaf will be over flown with water. Eleventh: A branch of Euphrates will turn into allunium.

Twelfth: a red dome will be built.

Not known yet but it could be the dome that was built in Samerra'

Thirteenth: A star (a meteor) with a tail will show in the sky.

This sign may have happed as some had said.

#### Fourteenth: a bad drought will happen.

Not known whether it is in a certain location or the whole world, or whether is related to the previous droughts that happened in Iran between 1289-1290 when people ate

dead animals, dogs, and stole children to eat them. However with it will come a great fear of death and shortage of money. We seek refuge to the almighty from it

#### Fifteenth: pelage, and earthquakes in many countries.

It is also called the red and white death, from every seven five will be dead and two will remain.

#### Sixteenth: The coming of the grasshoppers

A lot of grasshoppers will appear whether in season or out of season, their color is red like blood, they are so many that they cover the sun like the clouds.

#### Seventeenth: Destruction of the city of Al-Basrah

A man nick named "the friend of the Negroes" will destroy the city of Al-basrah. He is from the family of Hashem and his followers are Negroes. An incident as mentioned had already happened during the kingdom of Abbasids.

#### **Eighteenth: Allowing killing**

Before the coming of the savior Al-Mehdi (P) many will be killed, a lot of bloodshed, and taken so lightly.

#### Nineteenth: the earth being filled with oppression and corruption.

Blasphemy, corruption, and being distant from Islam will be spread in the world, people will imitate the unchaste, unashamed ones, eat the forbidden (haram), do the forbidden and Muslims will be the weak ones in the world. The Shi'ah twelvers among the Muslims will be scattered and dispersed. The good believer will have no where to live, everywhere will be filled with oppression, until the savior (P) appears.

#### Twentieth: Islam will return into being strange

Related to prophet Mohemmed (P) as saying: "Islam will return into being a stranger as it was a stranger, therefore Tuba (a tree in paradise) is for the strangers." As there were very little Moslems at the beginning of era of Islam there will be little true Muslims at the end.

# Twenty first: beautifying the holy Qur'an, garnish ornament the mosques and make the minarets long

Self-explanatory.

Twenty second: the tailed star and coupling some planets.

This incident may have happened.

#### Twenty third: destruction of Bernatha mosque

This incident had already happened in Al-Koofa when a blaspheme engineer disrobed the Bernatha mosque to connect the rail road.

#### Twenty forth: destruction of Al-Ka'abah

The nation of Al-Qaramitah had broken the Ka'bah at 337 HJ., took it to Al-Koofah then brought it back and Al-Mehdi rebuilt it back.

#### Signs that did not happen yet.

These signs did not happen but it is under the power of God's will

#### First: the sun will stop at midday

The sun will stay still to the point that most of the people look at the sky in wonder.

#### Second: the sun will rise from the west

This sign could be for the dooms day or the day before the destruction of the world and the sound of the trumpet, however it could be as a sign prior to the appearance of Al-Mehdi (P).

#### Third: the revolt of Al-Yamani

Al-Yamani from Yemen will revolt at the same time of The Sofiani (Othman ben Anbasah) will revolt.

#### Forth. The revelation of Al-Khorasani

He will revolt from the city Khurasan

#### Fifth: The revelation or the rise of Al-Maghribi

He will rise from Egypt.

#### Sixth: The turmoil in Sham

Three people will fight over the leadership in Damascus, which will lead to destruction.

#### Seventh: Fall of the Western side of the Sham mosque

A fall will occur in Damascus, which leads to the fall of the Western side of the Sham mosque.

#### **Eighth: Destruction of Sham**

As mentioned with the three men asking for the leadership.

#### Ninth: Caving in the village of Baljabeyyah

A village in sham named Baljabeyyeh will cave in the land.

#### Tenth: The rise of the atheist

An atheist will rise from the city of Qazvin that will make everyone believe in him, his name is a name of prophet, will put fear in the hearts of the people, he will follow everyone, whoever ran away from him, was chased and killed and whoever followed him lost his faith.

#### Eleventh: Kingdoms will be stopped.

Many kings will have a short span of kingdom, until all the tribes of the world will lead, so no one can say if I was a king I will rule with justice and fairness

# Twelfth: The rise of Awf ben Salma and he will be killed in Damascus mosque A man by the name Awf ben Slama will rise from Kuwait will live in Krit and die in Damascus mosque after a lot of sedition and riots.

#### Thirteenth: The rise of As-Samarqandi

The Samarqandi is a man named Shu'aib ben Saleh will rise after Awf ben Salma. He also will cause sedition, both will rise before As-sofiani.

#### Fourteenth: An earthquake in Sham before As-Sofiani

This earthquake in Sham (the greater Syria) will cause the death of one hundred thousand people, a mercy for the believers and a torture for the disbelievers.

#### Fifteenth: A great fire will appear in the East

A great fire will appear in the East, will remain either three or seven days.

#### Sixteenth: A redness will appear in the horizon.

Seventeenth: Bloodshed in Al-Koofah

Many flags will appear in the city of Koofah causing great blood shed and killings.

#### **Eighteenth: death of the chaste**

Seventy pure people will appear in Al-Koofah, among them the best of them that is called the chaste and they all will be killed.

#### **Nineteenth: The second kingdom of Abbasids**

As the first kingdom came and went the second kingdom of Abbasids will come.

#### Twentieth: A battle between Abbasids and All Marwan in QarQisia

A very bad bloody battle will occur between the above two and the bodies will be all over.

# Twenty first: Turkish people conquering the Arabian Peninsula and Rome will conquer Ramlah

#### Twenty second: A group of people will be transformed to Monkeys and pigs Twenty third: Black flags rise from Khurasan

They will come and pledge the allegance with Al-Mehdi (P) to fight corruption.

#### Twenty forth: A heavy rain will fall in month of Jamadi 2 and Rajab

An extra ordinary beautiful rain will fall in month of Jamadi 2 and Rajab, everywhere will be green and abundance of blessings.

#### Twenty fifth: Snow in Rome and Algiers

An incident that will cause a great surprise.

Twenty sixth: great fights in the Western world lasts a year Twenty seventh: The Arabs will take off bridal and chastity

Twenty eighth: Non Arab kings will be out of dignity and greatness

Twenty ninth: A star will show in the sky that shines as the moon.

#### Thirtieth: The dead believers will become alive

After the great rain in Jamadi 2<sup>nd</sup> and Rajab, God will give new bodies to the dead believers and they will be alive again and out of their graves, it seems that they are also among the army of the Mehdi (P).

#### The pledge of allegiance

When the Mehdi (P) appear, he will call upon twenty five among the followers of Moses (P), seven of the people of the cave, Joshua the successor of Moses (P), the believer of the era of pharaoh, the Persian Slaman, Aba Dajjanah Al-Ansari and Malik Al-Ashter.

A three hundred and thirteen people will also appear to be with Al-Mehdi (P). Al-Mehdi (P) will come to Mecca, he prays with them, then the archangel Gabreil and archangel Michel will appear to pledge their allegiance by shaking his hand.

#### The followers of Al-Mehdi (P)

They are excellent, fit, highborn, religious, educated, and extremely obedient to their master Al-Mehdi (P), they have a heart as strong as steel, brave, wish to be a martyr in the sake of Allah.

At nights they have a hum as the hum of the honey bee in worship and reading the holy Quran, monks at night and lions in the day.

#### Jesus (P) coming down

Jesus the son of Mary (P) will come down from the sky, he helps Al-Mehdi (P) to kill Ad-Dejjal in the land of Palestine, at the door of Lodd, at the end, toward the prayer time, Al-Mehdi (P) walks slowly to let Jesus (P) be a head to pray but Jesus (P) holds him on his shoulders and will say: "be a head, the prayer is been established for you" and Al-Mehdi (P) will be the Imam.

#### When the Kingdome come

As we mentioned earlier the earth will be filled with oppression, mischief and corruption, as pharaoh had done to the people of Israel in Egypt, then God sent the Savior Moses and saved the people of Israel. With Al-Mehdi (P), it is different, the whole earth will be filled with corruption, an extent that if a person will be afraid to even say Allah in public, if he said it he will be persecuted. When Al-Mehdi (P) appears all the corruption, oppression and mischief will disappear and fairness and justice will be spread in the world.

The earth will give a lot more as the sky will pour a lot more rain, everything will be in an abundance and blessed.

Al-Mehdi (P) himself will be seen in every location on the face of the earth, guidance, faith will be spread and he (P) as the prophet (P) will have a shade even if he walked in the sun.

#### Signs in summary (taken from YMA of Detroit Michigan)

- 1. The dark of night will not be deemed necessary for the commitment of sins.
- 2. Extravagant mansions will be constructed.
- 3. Singers will be considered respectable.
- 4. War shall be prevalent.
- 5. Gambling will be prevalent.
- 6. People will fear living in their own homes.
- 7. Dajjal shall come.
- 8. Land shall be turned into deserts.
- 9. Earthquakes and Volcano's and other natural disasters shall be common.
- 10.Good deeds will be few and far between.
- 11. Posts will be many, but practical teachers are few.
- 12. Mosques will be decorated profusely but urge towards adoration will be absent.
- 13. The rate of accidental deaths will be on the rise.
- 14. The rich will become godless and the devout will become sinful.
- 15.Leaders of opinion will be corrupt and overbearing.
- 16. False witnesses will be accepted and true ones rejected.
- 17. The Quran will be considered as an old, ancient book.
- 18.A person spending money on sinful purposes will not be criticized.
- 19. Human beings will be followers of selfish desires.
- 20. Pride will be taken for oppressive tendencies.
- 21.Good people will observe silence due to fear of wicked persons foul speech.
- 22. Tale bearing and backbiting will be considered as good and will be prevalent.
- 23.A wealthy person will command more respect than a pious person.
- 24. Children will curse their parents and will pray for their early death.
- 25. There will be two eclipses in the month of Ramadan.
- 26. Recitation of the Holy Quran will be considered as a burden.

May the dear Allah makes us among his soldiers.

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Sura Muhammad Verse 18 (47:18) Page 1511 in the Qur'an above.

What! Wait they then for aught save the Hour (of Reckoning) that it cometh on the all of a sudden? Indeed have (already) come the signs of it; and of what avail can be the reminder to them when it hath already come on them?

And on page 1514 in Commentary for this verse.

"The Holy Prophet" (PBUH) "has given the following signs heralding the approach of the end of the world and the Day of the Final Judgment.

- 1. People would neglect praying.
- 2. Carnal desires would be blindly followed.
- 3. The sincere believers in God would be helpless against the rebellious life led by the masses.
- 4. Good will be considered as evil and evil as good.
- 5. The unreliable would be considered as reliable and the reliable as the unreliable.
- 6. The liars would be held as the truthful and the truthful as liars.
- 7. Women would rule the states.
- 8. Men would take counsel even from their maid-servants.
- 9. Young boys would preach from the pulpits.
- 10. Jesting and vain talk would adorn the assemblies of men.
- 11. Charity and alms giving, would be considered by the rich as a punishment to them.
- 12. Children would revolt against their parents.
- 13. There would be a frequent appearance of the comet.
- 14. Women would carry on merchandise.
- 15.Drought would become common.
- 16. The needy would be looked down with spite, derision and hatred.

- 17.People would be humans only in appearance but their hearts would be of the devil
- 18. Homo sexuality would be freely practiced.
- 19.Men would look like women and women would appear in men's garbs.
- 20. Women would ride as men do.
- 21. Mosques would be adorned with gold and silver as do the heathens to their temples.
- 22. People would outwardly look to be friends but at heart would be the enemies of each other.
- 23. The males among the Muslims would dress themselves in silk and golden robes.
- 24. Usury and bribery would become commonly current.
- 25. Musical amusements and games of chance, would become common enjoyments.
- 26.Religion would be degenerated and irreligiousness would become the order of the day.
- 27. The worst among the Muslims would perform Haj. The rich would perform Haj as a pleasure trip or a picnic—The middle class for business and the poor for the show of religiousness and fame as the pious ones.
- 28. Knowledge of the Holy Qur'an would be acquired not to know the truth but for fame.
- 29. The product of adultery would be abundant.
- 30. Women would give up the veil and would freely lead immoral life.
- 31. There would be unseasonal rainfalls.
- 32. Adultery would become common.
- 33. The birth-rate of male issues would fall to 1 man: 50 women

The Holy Prophet also said that a fire would rise form the East and would spread towards the West.

However, man should know, that time and tide do not wait for any one. Time is passing away, let man know it or not, when a wrong is committed it has its natural echo of the penalty as the reaction for it and the approach of the Hour of Judgment, none knows. Therefore, none should postpone the repentance for his sins and should never delay amendment. The time for it, is now and here. But once the punishment comes, it could never be averted by any means. Repentance then would be in vain."