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Where does Ad-Dajjaal Appear From?

There's a hadth in At-Tirmidhi and Ahmad that the scholars have authenticated. RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam said that the Dajjaal will come out of a land in the east called Khurasaan. Khurasaan, Allahu 'Alam, is a place in Iran or Central Asia. There's currently a state in Iran called Khurasaan.

Where will he Reach?

All over the world except Makkah and Madinah.

His Fitna

RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam said that nothing from the time Adam was created until akhirah is a greater fitna than ad-dajjaal. Hudhaifa and Ibn Mas'ud met together. Hudhaifa said: I know more than you as to what there would be along with the Dajjal. There would be along with him two canals (one flowing with water) and the other one (having) fire (within it), and what you would see as fire would be water and what you would see as water would be fire. So he who amongst you is able to see that and is desirous of water should drink out of that which he sees as fire. [Muslim, B.41, #7013]

RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam said they would be two rivers. He says that one of the rivers has white water flowing and the other has fire. If you ever live to his time, close your eyes and throw yourself in the river of fire, for it is really cold water.

One day, RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam talked about the ad-dajjaal so much, we thought that he was just outside of Madinah. When we went to go meet RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam, he knew that. He felt that we were worried. RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam said, "What's wrong with you?" They said, "You have talked about him so much – up and down- that he thought that he's next to the palm trees of Madinah." RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam said, "If he comes out and I am with you, then I'll take care of him for you. If he comes out and I am not with you, then everybody is responsible for himself. And I ask Allah to protect every Muslim. He's a young man and one of his eyes is bulging out. If you ever live to his time and see him, read on him the first ayah of surah al-Kahf." That is the protection.

Abu Darda' reported Allah's Apostle (may peace be upon him) as saying: "If anyone learns by heart the first ten verses of the Surah al-Kahf, he will be protected from the Dajjal." [Muslim, B.4, #1766]

RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam said that he will come out between ash-Shaam and Iraq,

and he will corrupt the whole world, right and left. Then RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam said, he will stay on earth for 40 days. One day is like a year; one day is like a month; one day is like a week and then the rest of his days are like your regular days.

RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam said.... “He would appear on the way between Syria and Iraq and would spread mischief right and left. O servant of Allah! Adhere (to the path of Truth).” We said: “Allah’s Messenger, how long would he stay on the earth?” He said, “For forty days, one day like a year and one day like a month and one day like a week and the rest of the days would be like your days.” [SubhanAllah. Look at what the Sahabah ask next – RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam is talking about ad-dajjaal; look at their concern for Salah!] We said: “Allah’s Messenger, would one day’s prayer suffice for the prayers of day equal to one year?” Thereupon he said: “No, but you must make an estimate of time (and then observe prayer).” We said: “Allah’s Messenger, how quickly would he walk upon the earth?” Thereupon he said: “Like cloud driven by the wind. [This is an expression that means he would travel very fast.]

“He would come to the people and invite them (to a wrong religion) and they would affirm their faith in him and respond to him. He would then give command to the sky and there would be rainfall upon the earth and it would grow crops. Then in the evening, their posturing animals would come to them with their humps very high and their udders full of milk and their flanks stretched. He would then come to another people and invite them. [Ad-dajjaal would have control over these worldly things, and people love the world, so that is the gate through which ad-dajjaal will come through; that is how he will deceive people.] But they would reject him and he would go away from them and there would be drought for them and nothing would be left with them in the form of wealth.

“He would then walk through the waste, land and say to it: Bring forth your treasures, and the treasures would come out and collect (themselves) before him like the swarm of bees. He would then call a person brimming with youth and strike him with the sword and cut him into two pieces and (make these pieces lie at a distance which is generally between the archer and his target). He would then call (that young man) and he will come forward laughing with his face gleaming (with happiness) [This is the fitna of dajjaal – he has supernatural powers] [Note: there is more to this hadith, if you want to look it up online] [Muslim, B.41, #7015]

I felt that this commentary really hit home; major eye opener: We should never underestimate the fitna of ad-dajjaal. The only way we would be able to recognize it is if we think about it in our terms. Think about salat ul-jama’ah (prayer in congregation). We miss a lot of them. Imagine if you got \$50 for every salah you came to. Would the \$50 attract you to the masjid or not? Here, we’re talking about only \$50; ad-dajjaal will have the gold and silver of the world. If you follow him, he’ll give everything you want. If you don’t, he’ll take it from you. What is keeping us from jama’ah? It is the dunya. Allahu ‘Alam, it may be minimum wage, or even 10 or 20. If that small amount is sufficient to take us away from ibaadah, think about the time of ad-dajjaal. Ad-dajjaal will attract all of the ignorant and the ones with weak faith.

Allah’s Apostle told us a long narrative about Ad-Dajjal, and among the many things he mentioned, was his saying, “Ad-Dajjal will come and it will be forbidden for him to pass through the entrances of Medina. He will land in some of the salty barren areas outside Medina; on that

day the best man or one of the best men will come up to him and say, 'I testify that you are the same Dajjal whose description was given to us by Allah's Apostle.' Ad-Dajjal will say to the people, 'If I kill this man and bring him back to life again, will you doubt my claim?' They will say, 'No.' Then Ad-Dajjal will kill that man and bring him back to life. That man will say, 'Now I know your reality better than before.' [This has only made me more assured that you are ad-dajjal.] Ad-Dajjal will say, 'I want to kill him but I cannot.'" [Ad-dajjal will try to kill him but will not be able to.] [Bukhaari 3/30/106]

This hadith is in Ibn Majah. Ad-dajjal will bring a simple Bedouin, and he will tell him, "If I resurrect your father and mother, will you believe in me?" The Bedouin will say, "Yes." Two devils will assume the personality and form of his father and mother. They will say to him, "O my son, follow him. He is your Lord!" Look at this fitna. What appears to be his father and mother are going to come and tell their son this! This is a great fitna.

How to Protect Yourself from Ad-dajjal

1. Imaan – don't wait until ad-dajjal comes to build your imaan. Because you will not be able to. One hadith that when three things appear and a person doesn't have imaan, then no imaan would do them any good after that. One of those things is ad-dajjal. Imaan needs to be prepared prior to ad-dajjal.
2. Al Isti'aadah – Seek refuge in Allah from him. One of the du'aa that RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam would say after Salah very frequently, that some scholars even say it is waajib: 'O Allaah, I take refuge in You from the punishment of the grave, from the torment of the Fire, from the trials and tribulations of life and death and from the evil affliction of the Al-Maseeh Ad-Dajjal.'

Du'aa` at end of Tashahud

3. Read the opening of Surah al-Kahf or the last part of Surah al-Kahf. The hadith has been mentioned before. Why do you think the opening of al-Kahf? Allahu 'Alam, one of the reasons the speaker thinks is because it talks about the story of the people of the cave. They left the fitna, they didn't confront it. As Muslims, we are ordered to confront evil. The people of the cave left their society because the fitna/evil was too huge. If the evil is too great, you have to protect yourself first. The king and everyone were non believers and weren't accepting da'wah. Look at the similarities. RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam says that if ever any of you lives during the time of ad-dajjal, never go to meet him. Because, you going and meeting him, thinking you are a believer, may leave the meeting a non believer, because of the doubts that he puts in your hearts. The people are going to run from him from the tops of mountains. The whole world will be with ad-dajjal. You may say, what about the young man who will confront him? That is an exalted example. Not everyone has this type of imaan. RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam said that he is THE BEST of his time. If you fear for your safety, leave. In another hadith, the ayahs of the end of al-kahf are mentioned.
4. Avoiding him. RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam said: "Let him who hears of the Dajjal (Antichrist) go far from him for I swear by Allah that a man will come to him thinking he

is a believer and follow him because of confused ideas roused in him by him. [Abu Dawood B.37, #4305]

Death of ad-Dajjaal

Even though ad-dajjaal has all of this fitna, no matter how long a lie continues, it cannot last forever. Ad-dajjaal is all about lying and deception and his deception will carry him, but only so far, then he will collapse. In the end, he will collapse, and that will be the end of him. He will not collapse until he has caused damage all over the world, so much so that almost the entire world will be following him. He will be unstoppable. No one will be able to fight him. AlMehdi will have no way of competing with him. He will be with the believers in Jerusalem, hiding with them in their forts.

There will be no way for them to confront ad-dajjaal, until ‘Eesa ibn Maryam (Jesus, son of Mary), descends. Then ‘Eesa ibn Maryam, just like Allah has given ad-dajjaal these supernatural abilities, Allah will give ‘Eesa a miracle and that is: he will have the power of killing ad-dajjaal by his vision. In one hadith, his vision, and in another, his breath. The vision and breath of ‘Eesa will be enough to make ad-dajjaal melt like a piece of ice melts. And that is a miracle that Allah subhaana wa ta’aala will give ‘Eesa.

In a hadith by Muslim: The Dajjal would appear in my Ummah and he would stay (in the world) for forty-I cannot say whether he meant forty days, forty months or forty years. And Allah would then send Jesus son of Mary who would resemble ‘Urwah ibn Mas’ud. He (Jesus Christ) would chase him and kill him. [part of hadith Muslim, B.41, #7023]

In a hadith narrated by Ahmad, ‘Eesa ibn Maryam will kill ad-dajjaal at Baab-lud – and this is in Palestine.

2: The Descending of ‘Eesa ‘alayhis salaam

Location

The second sign, in terms of order, is the descending of ‘Eesa ‘alayhis salaam. The location of the descending will be Damascus. RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam pinpointed Damascus and said, next to the eastern white minaret. At the time, when RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam said this, there wasn’t any masjid in Damascus; it was part of the Roman Empire; it was Christian. Nevertheless, RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam said he [‘Eesa] will descend next to the eastern white minaret in Damascus.

AlMasjid AlAmawi is the biggest of the masajid of Damascus. It was a very important masjid in the history of the Muslim world, because the capital of the khilaafa moved to Damascus for quite awhile – about 100 years. The grand masjid was what we now call the Amawi masjid. The colour of the masjid wasn’t white. Ibn Katheer says that a few centuries later, the minarets of the masjid were rebuilt and the money that was used in rebuilding them was Christian money. Allahu Alam, Ibn Katheer didn’t say why, but he says that it was the Christians who paid for the renovation of the minarets. And in this renovation, the colour was made white. The minaret is

still white. [The speaker asked a person from Dimishq in the audience if it was still white.] When it was first built, it wasn't white, but it is white now – it is white marble. SubhanAllah Ibn Katheer says it is a miracle that Christians are the ones who financed and paid for the renovation of the masjid where 'Eesa [Jesus] will descend.

By the way, there's another amazing example here of colours. Masjid AnNabawi was first built from mud/clay, so it was beige or brown. It remained that way until it was renovated during the time of 'Uthmaan, and then throughout Muslim history it was renovated. It never carried the colour white until the latest renovation that happened under the Saudi regime. They made the minarets white marble. It's different colours, but it looks quite white in Madinah. I don't think that this hadith was kept in mind when the renovation was done – engineers did it – and the intention was to make it look good. But there is a hadith of RasulAllah sallallahu 'alayhi wa sallam that ad-Dajjaal would stand over the mountain of Uhud and he will tell his army, "Do you see that white palace? That is the palace of Muhammad." And he will point towards Masjid AnNabawi.

A short lesson in the strength of hadith

Mowdoo' - Fabricated

Da'eef - Weak narration

Hasan - Agreeable

Sahih - Authentic

Mutawaatir - Strongest type of sahih; no room for doubt

An Article of Faith

The evidence of the descending of 'Eesa is mutawaatir. Mutawaatir means frequently narrated and leaves no doubt in mind. Mowdoo' is fabricated and da'eef is weak narration. The higher degree is Hasan (agreeable). The higher degree is Sahih (which is authentic.) And the strongest type of Sahih is mutawaatir. Mutawaatir is something that came from so many directions that it is impossible for it to have any doubt. The descending of 'Eesa – Jesus, son of Mary – is certain knowledge for Muslims. Meaning, we don't say, "There's a 60 or 70 percent chance." It is an article of faith for us to believe that 'Eesa will descend. There is not a difference of opinion. It is CERTAIN KNOWLEDGE according to some ayaat of Qur'aan and an abundance of Hadith.

The ayaat do not explicitly mention his name, but the meaning of the ayah is talking about 'Eesa. One example:

"He ['Eesa] is the knowledge of the Hour..." (43:61)

In another Qira'aa` (variant reading of Qur'aan):

“And he [‘Eesa (Jesus), son of Maryam (Mary)] shall be a known sign for (the coming of) the Hour (Day of Resurrection) [i.e. 'Eesa's (Jesus) descent on the earth]...”

So in another variant reading, ‘Eesa’s descending on earth is a sign of the day of judgment.

In an authentic narration in Musnad Imam Ahmad, Ibn Abbaas says in the tafsir of this ayah: “This ayah is talking about the descending of ‘Eesa, son of Mary (Maryam) before the day of judgment.”

There’s another ayah in the Qur’aan:

And there is none of the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians), but must believe in him [‘Eesa (Jesus), son of Maryam (Mary), as only a Messenger of Allah and a human being], before his [‘Eesa (Jesus) or a Jew’s or a Christian’s] death (at the time of the appearance of the angel of death). And on the Day of Resurrection, he [‘Eesa (Jesus)] will be a witness over them (4:159)

Ibn Jarir AtTabari has a chain of narration that goes all the way to Ibn Abbaas. Ibn Abbaas says, in the tafsir of this ayah, that the people of the book will believe before his death, before the death of ‘Eesa ‘alayhis salaam. AlHasan AlBasri says, this is before the death of ‘Eesa. In the name of Allah, he is now alive and then he will descend. When he descends, all of them will believe in them.

Then RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam says that money will be widespread. People will pass next to it and not take anything. People will be very content. Also, it is so close to the Day of Judgment that this money doesn’t hold the value to them. That is why, “one sajdah to them will be more valuable than the world and everything in it.” (The speaker adds this part at the end of the hadith).

When He Descends

RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam says in another hadith, mutafakh ‘alay, “What will your situation be when the son of Mary will descend amongst you and your Imam is from within yourselves?” Because when ‘Eesa arrives, he will walk in and the Muslims are about to pray – the ‘iqamah was made in the masjid. When AlMehdi sees ‘Eesa, he will retreat and he will ask him (‘Eesa) to lead the prayer. But ‘Eesa ‘alayhis salaam will tell AlMehdi that the ‘iqamah was made for you, therefore you lead the salah. This is a great honor for this Ummah – that ‘Eesa will pray behind one of the followers of Muhammad sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam. Obviously, after that ‘Eesa will resume the responsibility, but at that time AlMehdi will lead because the ‘iqamah was made for him. Ibn Katheer says that these hadith are mutawaatir.

This hadith is in AtTirmidhi. RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam says ‘Eesa ibn Maryam would descend next to the eastern white minaret of the masjid. He has two yellow garments, and he will be placing his two hands on the wings of angels. That is how he will come down –

placing his hands on the wings of two angels.
Which Law Would He Apply?

When ‘Eesa ‘alayhis salaam assumes the leadership amongst Muslims, what law would he apply? Because when ‘Eesa was sent to Bani Israel, he followed the Law of Moses (Musa) – the Torah. ‘Eesa would apply the law of Muhammad sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam. All of it is Islaam – the message of Musa, ‘Eesa and Muhammad. There were differences in particular details of the law, appropriate for their people. When ‘Eesa descends, he will follow the law of Muhammad sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam. This is also an honor for RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam that ‘Eesa would follow his law.

RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam said in another hadith to ‘Umar ibn AlKhattaab that if Musa was alive today, he would have to follow me.

How would that happen? AlQurtubi says that Allah will teach ‘Eesa, in the heavens, the law of Muhammad sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam, the law of Qur’aan.

You might say that part of the law if jizya, why won’t he accept that anymore? The answer to that is that RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam said that jizya would continue until the time of ‘Eesa; after ‘Eesa there will be no more jizya. RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam stated that the law of jizya only applies till the time of ‘Eesa.

When ‘Eesa descends on earth, he will perform Hajj with the Muslims. RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam said in a hadith narrated by Muslim: “By Him in Whose Hand is my life. Ibn Maryam (Jesus Christ) would certainly pronounce Talbiya for Hajj or for Umra or for both (simultaneously as a Qiran) in the valley of Rauha.” [Muslim, B.7, #2877]
The End

What will be the condition of the world during his time? There is a hadith in Muslim which says that after Ya`juj and Ma`juj: [...]Then Allah would send rain which no house of clay or (the tent of) camels’ hairs would keep out and it would wash away the earth until it could appear to be a mirror. [The speaker says: Allahu Alam this could mean that there would be so much water that it looks like a mirror or the earth would become so clean and as transparent as a mirror.] Then [Allah would give order to] the earth would be told to bring forth its fruit and restore its blessing [The blessings are on earth, but we are the reason they don’t appear. Allah says that corruption appeared on earth – why? Because of what the hands of people have reaped.] and, as a result thereof, there would grow such a big pomegranate that a group of persons would be able to eat that, and seek shelter under its skin and a cow would give so much milk that a whole party would be able to drink it. And the camel would give such a large quantity of milk that the whole tribe would be able to drink out of that and the sheep would give so much milk that the whole family would be able to drink out of that and at that time Allah would send a pleasant wind which would soothe people even under their armpits, and would take the life of every Muslim and only the wicked would survive who would commit adultery like asses and the Last Hour would come to them. [Muslim B.41, #7015]

In another hadith by Imam Ahmad, “The Prophets are half brothers. Their religion is one, but

their mothers are different.” In other words, all of the prophets are brothers, even though their law is different. The religion is the same and they are brothers. “And ‘Eesa is the closest one to me because there is no prophet between me and him. And he would descend. When he comes down, know him. He is average height and he has fair skin and he will be wrapped in two garments which have a yellowish colour. His hair looks as if it is wet and dripping with droplets of water, even though it’s dry.” Sometimes people have such beautiful hair – it might be so dark and black – that it looks wet. In the time of Islam, all of the religions will disappear except Islam. This will only happen during the time of Islam. Another honor to ‘Eesa ‘alayhis salaam is that during his time, ad-dajjaal will be eliminated, and peace would descend on earth. Peace isn’t hanging up there – it will be with the people. RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam said, lions would accompany camels and tigers would accompany cows and wolves would accompany goats and children would play with snakes. There would be so much peace on earth; no one wants to harm anyone. RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam says, he would stay for 40 years and then he would die and the Muslims would pray on him. He has to come down to earth, because Allah created us from this earth. We would live on this earth and die on this earth. ‘Eesa [Jesus] did not die yet. Allah would bring him down to achieve the final victory of Islam. SubhanAllah, this is a blessed Ummah – it begins with a prophet and ends with a prophet.

RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam says in the hadith that he would stay for 40 years, but in another hadith it says that he would stay for 7 years. Both hadith are authentic and in Muslim. The scholars found a way to explain this. 40 years is his total time on earth. He already lived 33 years on earth and he has 7 years left in his life, and he will spend the 7 years with this Ummah.

RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam says, during those 7 years, there will be 7 years when no two people will have any animosity between each other. There will be so much peace during that time. And then, [RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam says] a wind would blow from Ash-Shaam and it would take the soul of every believer. Even the ones with a single grain of imaan in his heart will die. That is the end of the story of this world. It started with Adam and ends with Islam.

RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam says, “There will be so much blessing that if you throw a seed and throw them on a solid rock, it will grow.” And then that’s the end.

The souls of the believers will be taken away. Following that, the munafiqeen and the worst of people will remain. RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam says they would be corrupt and would have intercourse amongst each other like donkeys – like animals. RasulAllah sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam says, these are the ones whom the Hour would occur on. Allahu Alam, that would continue for 40 years. There would be perversion and corruption and all types of evil.