

Asalamu alaykum,

I hope that by the Mercy of Allah you are well in mind, body and spirit.

I'm attaching some traditions (hadith) that I suggest you just read and ask Allah and His Divinely appointed Leaders to guide you to the Truth.

The traditions contain Knowledge and Light about the critical issue of Divine Leadership after the death of the Prophet Mohammad. Although there are only a few traditions here in each section, there are many on every aspect of this topic in the collections of traditions. Just a few were highlighted here for the purpose of making this a brief introduction to the topic.

The subject matter is not about the 12 Imams but more specifically about the 12 Mahdis that are Divinely appointed and sent by Allah that will come **after** the 12 Imams.

Please, I suggest that you do not go to the internet to research the issue at this time. You know internet can be and how just anyone can go there and say something that may or may not be true...and it can all be mixed up together.

Additionally, as you may know, there are good and bad among the self-appointed scholars. I suggest that you begin with these few traditions from the Real Scholars, the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny who were appointed by Allah to guide us and keep Islam pure in every era. Think about what they say and do more research on this topic in the reputable sources of traditions.

Addressing the topic of the self-appointed scholars here is important because the Prophet and his Progeny have warned us about their misguidance. This is just a reminder to go to the true sources of Pure Guidance rather than a fallible person who is capable of misguidance. Traditions confirming this are included here in this collection.

Anyway, take your time and don't get swept up in the controversy. I suggest that at this time you don't even think about the Yamani and the Unknown Imam are as specific people. I recommend that you just get acquainted with the concept of the Unknown Imam, the Yamani and the 12 Mahdis.

As traditions tell us we are being sifted out and only a few will remain at the end. And as we were told, the appointment of Divine Leadership after the death of the Prophet Mohammad at Ghadeer Khumm was a critical point and a means of distinguishing and sifting out the Believers from those who abandoned Guidance. It is clear in the traditions that the issue of the 12 Mahdis that come after the 12 Imams is an equally important issue of Divine Leadership.

For our own benefit in this life, we must take time, seek Knowledge and examine this issue of the continuation of Allah's Divinely appointed Leadership on earth.

May Allah guide us through those who He has Guided.

The Unknown Imam



Opening doors to the Reappearance
of

The 12th Imam from the Progeny of the Prophet Mohammad_{a.s.}

Part 1

~The Jewel of Belief ~

An introduction to the Concept of Divinely appointed Leadership
on earth.

~Prophets and their Successors~

~Focusing on the Prophet Mohammad & his Successors, the Divinely
appointed 12 Imams~

As revealed through the Qur'an & the Traditions of the Prophet
Mohammad and his Progeny.

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## Part 2

### ~The Unknown Imam~

The Continuation of Divinely Appointed Leadership on earth.

The Unknown Imam, the Yamani & the 12 Mahdies that are mentioned in  
the Will of the Prophet Mohammad that will come after the 12 Imams

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As authenticated in the Traditions of the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny

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## Part 3

~Advice, Reminders & Supplication from the Yamani~

Excerpts from his Sermons and Writings

Purpose,  
Description of the Collection  
&  
Introduction

## Purpose

The purpose of this collection is to provide the reader the means to gain a basic understanding of the concept of the Divine appointment of Allah's Pure Prophets and their Successors. It focuses on the Prophet Mohammad and his Successors including the Divine appointment of the 12 Imams and the 12 Mahdies that come after the 12 Imams.

Because of all the information and misinformation on the internet and elsewhere, this collection was made to provide some introductory information and documentation from the traditions of the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny to help clarify the reality of these topics.

Once this basic foundation is established and verified the reader can begin to research further into this most critical issue in Islam.

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Description of the Collection

This is a three part collection that opens the doorways of Knowledge to the reappearance of the 12th Imam and the events that will follow. He is the one that Allah promised to send at the end of time to establish His Justice and Equity on earth.

The first part is about the concept and reality of Allah's Divinely appointed Leadership on earth. It gives a brief explanation and description of the Purified Prophets and their Successors that Allah sent to mankind throughout time to guide the people back to the belief in the One Creator and His Supremacy over humanity. This is done primarily through the traditions of the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny.

This section also includes information about the Event of Ghadeer Khumm when the Prophet Mohammad, by Divine order, announced the appointment of his Successor, Imam Ali, the first of the 12 Imams.

The second part focuses on the lesser known existence of the 12 Divinely appointed Mahdies from the Progeny of Mohammad that will come after the 12 Imams. It is a collection of traditions verifying the existence of the Unknown Imam, the Yamani and the 12 Mahdies.

The third part is a collection of excerpts from the Sermons and Writings of the Yamani who is the Unknown Imam and the first of the 12 Mahdies.

Introduction

As the people of many religions and belief systems around the world have long awaited the appearance of the Savior of mankind, the Shiite Muslims are also awaiting the reappearance of the 12th Imam from the Progeny of the Prophet Mohammad.

He is the one that Allah promised to send at the end of time to establish His Justice and Equity on earth after it has been filled with injustice and tyranny.

This collection of Traditions will take the reader along the path to understanding the history, the present and the future events leading to the Reappearance of the Awaited Savior, God willing.

The Opening

Sending Blessings
Special Dedication
Opening Traditions

It is customary to ask Allah to send His blessings on the Prophet
Mohammad and his Progeny whenever their names are mentioned.

Although this has not been written here explicitly, it is implicit in the
hearts and minds of all those who love them and recognize their lofty
position.

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Allah's Peace and Blessings be on the Prophet Mohammad and his  
Progeny of Imams and Mahdis

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Allah humma salle ala Mohammadan wa Ahle Mohammad al Imma
wal Mahdiyeen

~Special Dedication~

“In the name of Allah the Merciful, the Compassionate

All Praise is due to Allah, the Lord of the Worlds,

The Merciful, the Compassionate.

Master of the Day of Judgment.

You alone do we worship and You alone do we ask for help.

Guide us on the Straight Path.

The path of those on whom you have bestowed Your Grace.

Not the Path of those who have incurred Your wrath or of those who
have gone astray.”

The Qur'an ~ The Opening/al Fatiha ~ Chapter 1

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In hopes that this small work will open doors to them, we dedicate our hearts  
and our efforts to the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny.

Allah created them as Light in the darkness, Pure Guides to Him and defenders  
of His Truth in spite of the resistance against them.

May we do our best to walk in their footsteps.

Special dedication is to the Hujjat from the Household of Mohammad. He is Allah's living Proof and Representative from the Progeny in this day and age. Allah has promised us that by His command he will reappear and restore justice and equality on earth after it has been filled with inequity and tyranny.

May we be blessed to be at his side, supporting him each step of the Way.

## Compiler's Note

There is nothing that anyone can say to add to that which Allah and His chosen and Purified Ones, the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny have already said.

This small gathering of their words was done in hopes that it will open doors to the Truth, Knowledge and Light of Allah through those who are firmly rooted in Knowledge.

Their Knowledge and Guidance is a priceless treasure for those who have eyes that see and ears that hear. It is for those who have remained loyal to the Covenant that Allah made with the souls at the first point of creation (Aalame Zar) regarding His Divinely appointed Leadership on earth.

This Covenant was based on testifying that Allah is their Lord and Mohammad is their Prophet and Ali bin Abi Taleb is their Imam.

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Opening Traditions (ḥadīth)

Imam Ali said to the Shia about protecting traditions...

As part of a longer tradition Amir al Momineen said:

‘O our Shia who claim to be our friends!

Beware of people having their own opinions as they are enemies of the Prophet’s traditions.

Traditions have suddenly flown away from their memories and they have become unable to protect the way of the Prophet.’

(The Tafsir Ascribed to Imam al Askari, Transl. Rizvi, pg 58)

When you want to narrate a tradition and feel you have forgotten it...

Imam Sadiq said:

‘Satan has been assigned to steal the traditions by making you forget them. That is why he is called ‘the robber of traditions’.

Whenever you want to narrate a tradition and feel that you have forgotten it, just call on Allah the Almighty, send blessings on the Prophet and damn the robber of traditions.

Allah willing you will remember it. And if you still cannot remember the tradition your remembrance of Allah and sending blessings on the Prophet will be accepted instead’.

(Mishkat al Anwar fi Ghurar al Akbar, pg 270, #526)

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## ~Allah's Perfect Guidance and His Pure Guides~

### Knowledge of the Creator

"My Lord, although Your power is visible, people do not stand in awe of You. They have ignored You and out of ignorance, they have tried to measure You. They compare You to Your creation, and by not knowing who you are, they are not worshipping You".

From Imam Ridha, a Pure Guide

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People are not perfect and in their imperfection attribute characteristics to the Creator that are incorrect and filled with misguidance. But surely Allah, the Magnificent is far above what people make up in their own imaginations about Him. No matter what the ordinary people say, it does not change the reality of His existence or His Creation.

Allah's Pure Messengers and Guides

So, Allah in His Wisdom created Pure Guides who are perfect in their Knowledge of Him, His nature and His Creation. In this way, mankind has a constant and consistent point of reference and perfect role models telling them about the nature of this life. Once they are consciously aware of this people can begin to live their lives in a way that will enable them to believe, think and live in a way that will give them an understanding of this life and the Hereafter. This Divine Guidance was pre-programmed into people before they entered this physical world. But the material world is frequently chaotic and confusing and often a source of misinformation. Because of this, after living in the physical world, people can easily lose sight of the real Truth and often start following their own ideas and ways that are often unfounded in reality.

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So, as part of His plan, Allah created Prophets and Imams to serve as Guides at specific times and places to different groups of people. But always the basic Message was the same – to direct the people back to the one universal unchanging Truth and its Creator. Some Prophets came with unwritten Divine Guidance while other Prophets came with Divine Books from the Creator. All the Prophets were perfect reflections of the words in those Books not only in their speech but also in their actions in their daily lives. They would also serve to protect Allah's Truth from innovations and misguidance. The Prophet Mohammad was the last and final Prophet from Allah. His Purified Progeny are the Imams and Mahdis appointed by Allah to protect His word from innovation after the death of the Prophet.

Allah tells us about the role of the Prophet Mohammad in the Book of Qur'an when He relates through the Prophet:

“In the name of Allah the Merciful, the Compassionate

I (Mohammad) deliver to you the messages of my Lord, and I offer you good advice and I know from Allah what you do not know”

The Holy Qur'an 7:62 ~ The Elevated Places/Araf

The Qur'an is Revelation from Allah, spoken by the Prophet Mohammad and then recorded in the written form of the Book of Qur'an. Since Allah does not manifest in human form or talk directly to the people, He sent the Prophets to deliver His Message.

The basic Message of all the Apostles was the Oneness of Allah and instructions on how to lead a life that would be pleasing to Him and in harmony with His world. Since He is the one and only Creator only He could have true Knowledge of such things and only He could bestow correct Guidance on the people. Because He is Just and Kind, He did not leave people wandering on their own without Guidance and a way back to Him and His Truth.

And of course, these Prophets and Messengers had to be infallible, without sin or wrong doing of any kind. Without this quality, they would be capable of giving misinformation and incorrect Guidance and that would defeat the entire purpose of their existence. As Allah reminds us in the Qur'an:

“In the Name of Allah the Merciful, the Compassionate

Whoever obeys the Apostle obeys Allah”

Qur'an 4:80~ The Women/Nisa

Without a doubt, Allah has sent these Infallibles throughout time to remind the people of Him. He sent them to direct the people away from worshipping His creation and to worshipping Him and from obedience to His creation to obedience to Him.

As humanity's physical development came in stages, so did their spiritual development come in stages – both individually and collectively. So to aid their social, physical and spiritual development Allah sent His Prophets and Messengers in every age to speak to people in a way that they could understand.

Prophethood started with Adam and ended with Mohammad, Allah's peace and blessings be upon them all. There were many other Prophets but among the best known were Adam, Abraham, Moses, Jesus, and Mohammad. Since they came to different people in different times, some of their Books and Messages emphasized different aspects of the Truth of the One true Lord. Some stressed the importance of the laws of the Creator while others focused on the spiritual aspects of belief. Allah told us about this when He said in the Qur'an:

“In the name of Allah the Merciful, the Compassionate

...and there is a Guide for every people”

Qur'an 13:7~ The Thunder/Rad

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Since all the earlier Messages were changed by the people, there was a necessity for a last and final Message and Prophet to deliver the Truth from the Creator. For this purpose Allah sent the Prophet Mohammad. And then he sent his Purified Progeny who would protect the Message after the death of the Prophet. As Allah tells us more in the Qur'an:

"In the Name of Allah the Merciful, the Compassionate

...This Book (the Holy Qur'an) there is no doubt in it, is a guide to those who guard against wrong doing".

Qur'an 2:2~The Cow/Baqarah

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## The Successors to the Prophets

As there were Prophets throughout time, there were also their Successors throughout time. Their roles were to constantly redirect people to the Prophets and the Messages they brought from Allah - to propagate the Truth and to show people how to live according to that Truth. The Prophet Mohammad, the last and final Prophet and the book of revelation that he delivered, the Qur'an, was for all people in all lands. The earlier books, the Torah and the Bible made reference to the Prophet Mohammad and the Qur'an and directed the people of future times to go to them as a source of Divine Guidance.

Unfortunately, the ordinary people can distort the message of the Qur'an in their own minds and reflect those changes in their everyday lives. So to protect the original message after the Prophet's death, Allah sent pure Successors, also called Imams and Mahdis, to protect the word of the Qur'an from being changed. They are the Purified and Infallible Progeny of the Prophet.

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These Successors also lived their lives exactly in the way Allah directed people to do in the Qur'an. They served as constant purifiers of the original message and served as fountains of Knowledge and Light to the people in every place and time. They are the ultimate role models. They constantly re-direct the people back to belief in the Creator and His eternal and unchanging Message. This is confirmed in the Qur'an when Allah says:

“In the Name of Allah the Merciful, the Compassionate  
And We made them Imams to guide to Our Command...and they were certain of Our  
communications”.

Qur'an 32:24~The Adoration/Sajdah

So today, in these troubled times filled with chaos, injustice and inequity, humanity must as always turn to the Creator to guide them. The means of accessing this Guidance is through His blessings, a pure heart and the tools of the Qur'an the Prophets and their Successors, the Imams and Mahdis. In the Qur'an Allah defines these concepts by saying through the Prophet Mohammad:

“In the Name of Allah the Merciful the Compassionate  
‘He it is Who has revealed the Book to you; some of its verses are decisive, they are the basis of the Book, and others are allegorical. Then as for those in whose hearts there is perversity, they follow the part of it that is allegorical, seeking to mislead and seeking to give it their own interpretation but none knows its interpretation except Allah and those **firmly rooted in knowledge**”

Qur'an 3:7~The Family of Imran/A'lay Imran

Without Prophets, Imams and Mahdis, who are “**firmly rooted in Knowledge**” and sent to interpret and explain the Qur'an to the people there would be no other way for mankind to know the true meaning of the Creator's words.

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One of the purposes of this collection is to introduce the reader to the concept of Pure Prophets and their Successors and to identify those who are “firmly rooted in Knowledge”

They were present throughout history and are present in our own times. As Allah told us in the Qur’an:

“In the Name of Allah the Merciful, the Compassionate

Obey Allah and obey the Apostle and those in authority from among you”

Qur’an 4:59~The Women/Nisa

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More about the Prophets & their Successors  
as related through the Traditions (words and actions) of the  
Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny



## The Reason and Purpose of Prophethood

Imam Sadiq was asked by an atheist:

“Why is there a need for and existence of Prophets?”

The Imam replied:

‘When we understand that we have a Creator and Maker who is supreme over us and over all that He created and that this Maker is so Wise and Supreme that His creation cannot see Him or touch Him, in the way that they can mutually see each other and deal with each other, it becomes clear that He must have Ambassadors among His creation who speak on His behalf to His creation and His people.

Their function is to guide the creation to their benefits and blessings and to those things that will secure their survival and the abandonment of anything that might destroy them’.

(The Scale of Wisdom –Rayshahri, pg 1017 # 5920 and Al Kafi, vol 1, pg 168, #1)

## The Reason why Recognizing the Messengers is Essential

As part of a longer tradition Imam Ridha was asked:

“Why is it important that the the people to recognize the Messengers, testify to them, and make a pledge to obey them?”

The Imam replied:

‘This is because the people have not been equipped with all the necessary powers in their own nature to be able to realize all that is best for them to do. And the Creator is High Exalted above anything that can be visually seen by human beings. Also the people are limited and not capable of recognizing Him by anything that is obvious to them. So a Messenger must be sent to be in a connection between the people and the One that created them.

The Messenger must be Infallible who delivers His Orders and warns the people and informs them about what will benefit them and what will protect them against losses.

If it were not incumbent on the people to recognize and obey Him, there would be no need or benefit to send Messengers to them. And if they had been sent it would not have fulfilled any of their needs.

In that case it would mean that sending Messengers to the people would be of no use to them.

And this is not among the characteristics of an all Wise One who has created everything in perfect order.’

(Uyun Akhbar al Reza – Saduq, Vol 2, pg 186, #34-1, this citation pg 190)

## More about the Prophets and Messengers

Imam Ali, talking about the raising up of Prophets and Messengers, said:

‘Allah has chosen Prophets from among Adam’s descendants who, through Revelation accept Divine Contracts and are entrusted with delivery of the Divine Message.

He has sent His Messengers among them and has sent His Prophets one after another to fulfill the contract of the innate nature of people (fitrah) and to remind them of the blessing that has been forgotten.

Delivery of the Message and calling people to Him is a Proof of Him.

The Prophets transmit treasures of Wisdom and Knowledge and they show people the decreed signs.’

(Prophetic Traditions in Islam on the Authority of the Family of the Prophet ~Compiler Haeri, pg 42 & Al Hakeem I, 22 - from Nahj 33 & 437)

# Allah has given His Prophets...

It was recorded in *Misbah al Shari'ah* that Imam Sadiq said as part of a longer tradition:

‘Certainly Allah has given His Prophets access to the stores of His bounty, His Generosity and His Mercy. He has instructed them from the treasures of His Knowledge and has singled them out above the whole Creation for Himself.

Their behavior and reactions are to be found in no other persons in all the Creation and in this way He has made them a means to Him for the rest of the Creation. He has made love of Him and obedience to them a way to gain His contentment.

He has made opposition to and denial of them a reason for His anger. He has ordained that each nation should follow the way of the life of their Messenger. He has refused to accept the worship of anyone except those who obey and revere the Messengers. And Knowledge and love of the Messengers is with Allah as is their dignity, honor and reverence. Allah has revered all his Prophets ~ you cannot reduce them in rank or stature to make them resemble beings inferior to them.

How can one reach Truth without Knowledge of Allah? If you compare their words and behavior with other than them, you have betrayed their company and denied their Knowledge and are ignorant of their distinction with Allah. And so in this way, you yourself have fallen from the stations of true Belief and Knowledge:

So be aware!

(Prophetic Traditions in Islam on the Authority of the Family of the Prophet –Compiler, Haeri, pg 43 & Al Muhajjah al Bayda, I, 226)

# About the number of Prophets and their Successors

Allah created 124,000 Prophets and 124,000 Successors

The Commander of the Faithful said that the Prophet Mohammad said:

‘The Honorable the Exalted Allah has created one hundred twenty-four thousand Prophets. I am the dearest of all in the presence of Allah and I do not take pride in myself because of this.

The Honorable the exalted Allah has created one hundred twenty-four thousand Successors.

Ali is the dearest and the best of all the Successors in the presence of Allah.’

(Al Khisal ~ Saduq, pg 1122, #28-9)

Who chooses the Prophets & their Successors?

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Allah told the Prophet Mohammad to appoint  
his Successor

And Your Lord creates and chooses...

From the Holy Qur'an

“Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

And your Lord creates and chooses who He pleases; to choose is not theirs.

Glory be to Allah and exalted is He above what they associate with Him'

Qur'an 28:68~The Narrative/Qasas

“Bismilla hirr Rahman hir raheem

And We made the Imams to guide by Our command when they were patient,  
and they were certain of Our communications”

Qur'an 32:24~The Adoration/Sajdah



## Who Chooses the Prophets and their Successors?

As part of a longer tradition, Imam Ridha said:

“So how can they choose an Imam with their own fancies or how can their minds determine it? Do you think that such a pure status as being a Divinely appointed Leader can come from somewhere other than the Prophet’s Progeny? By Allah their minds have cheated them and their false desires have deluded them. So they put themselves in a very high position from which their feet will slip to the lowest depths.

They turn away from the choice of Allah, His Messenger and his Progeny and cling to their own choice whereas Allah has said:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

And your Lord creates and chooses who He pleases; to choose is not theirs. Glory be to Allah and exalted is He above what they associate with Him.”

Qur’an 28:68 – The Narrative/Al Qasas

The Imam continued:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

And it does not benefit a believing man or a believing woman that they should have any choice in a matter when Allah and His Messenger have decided a matter...”

Qur’an 33:36 – The Allies/Al Ahzab

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And...

“Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

What is the matter with you? How do you judge? Do you have a book from which you read? That you have surely therein what you choose? Or have you received from Us an agreement confirmed by an oath extending to the Day of Resurrection that you shall surely have what you demand? Ask them which of them will stand and vouch for that. Or do they have other gods? Then let them bring their other gods if they are truthful.”

Qur'an 68:36-41 – The Pen / Al Qalam

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“Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

Do they not then reflect on the Qur'an? No, on the hearts there are locks”

Qur'an 47:24 – Mohammad

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‘Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

And be not like those who said: we hear yet they do not obey. Surely the vilest of animals in Allah's sight are the deaf, the dumb who do not understand. And if Allah had known any good in them He would have made them hear, and if He makes them hear they would turn back while they withdraw.’

Qur'an 8:21-23 – The Spoils of War / Al Anfal

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Imam Ridha continued:

“How can they choose the Imam? An Imam has Divine Wisdom that does fail to understand anything and is a Guardian that does not engage in wrong doing. He is the essence of Holiness, Purity, Asceticism, Knowledge and Worship. He is appointed by the Prophet by the order of Divine Revelation. He is from the Progeny of the Pure Batool (Fatima Zahra, the daughter of the Prophet Mohammad). There is no defect in his lineage and no one is comparable to him from among all of the Quraysh. He is the summit of the Hashemites, the Successor of the Prophet and the one who is pleasing to Allah. He is the most honorable of all. He has perfect Knowledge and Discernment. He undertakes the Immamat with devotion. He is aware of politics. He is the one to be obeyed. He carries out the orders of Allah, directs people to their welfare and guards the religion of Allah.

Allah grants His Knowledge and Wisdom to the Prophets and Imams and He does not grant it to anyone else. So, their Knowledge is above the knowledge of the people of every age.

Allah says:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

Say: Is there any of your associates who guides to the Truth? Say: Allah guides to the truth. Is He then Who guides to the truth more worthy to be followed, or he who himself does not go aright unless he is guided? What then is the matter with you; how do you judge?”

Qur'an 10:35 – Yunus

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Imam Ridha continued:

When Allah chooses someone to run the affairs of His people, He will make their heart ready to do it. He will grant him Wisdom and Knowledge so that he will never fail to answer any question according to Divine Knowledge. Allah assists him and makes him Infallible so that he never falls into error, fault or mistake. Allah grants him all of these characteristics and appoints him as His authority over His people.

After all, can they be fit to choose such an Imam? Can the imam they have chosen have all the virtues that Allah has granted to the Imams, who He has chosen? By the House of Allah, they have trespassed the limits of Truth and turned their back on the Holy Book of Allah. The Book of Allah has the remedy and the Guidance but they have neglected it and followed their own fancies. Therefore Allah has despised them, detested them and has made them wretched.

Allah has said:

‘Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

... and who is more erring than one who follows their own desires without any guidance from Allah? Surely Allah does not guide the unjust people.’

Qur’an 28:50 – The Narrative/Qasas

And

“Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

Those who dispute concerning the communications of Allah without any authority that He has given them; greatly hated is it by Allah and by those who believe. And Allah sets a seal over the heart of every proud, haughty one.”

Qur'an 40:35 – The Believer/Momin

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(Al Ghaybah - Numani, pg 300 and Kamal ad Deen, pg 675 and Oyoon Akhbar ar Ridha, pg 216

Allah told the Prophet Mohammad to  
appoint his Successor

# Allah told the Prophet to appoint his Successor

The Messenger of Allah said:

'Allah has never taken back the life of any of His Prophets without first ordering them to appoint the best man from their Family as their Successor. And now Allah has ordered me to appoint a Successor.

I Asked Allah: "Who should I appoint to be my Successor?"

Allah replied:

'Appoint your cousin, Ali ibn Abi Taleb, I have mentioned his name in the previous books. **I wrote in the books that Ali is your heir and I took the Covenant based on this. The Covenant that I took from my creation and My prophets entailed accepting Me as Allah, accepting you as the Messenger, and accepting Ali ibn Abi Taleb as the Wali'.**

(The Glad Tidings of Mustafa...-Tabari, pg 60, #5)

# Divinely appointed Leadership after the death of the Prophet Mohammad



The Event of Ghadeer Khumm took place by Divine Order when Allah told the Prophet Mohammad to appoint and announce the status of his Successor



# The Event of Ghadeer Khumm



Allah's appointment of Leadership after the death of the Prophet  
Mohammad



The Prophet Mohammad's Farewell Hajj and the Events that took  
place at Ghadeer Khumm



Ghadeer Khumm ~ An Oasis between Mecca and Medina.

Including:

- ~The Issue of Imamat.
- ~The Prophet Mohammad's Farewell Hajj and the Event of Ghadeer Khumm.
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# The Issue of Imammat



Divinely Appointed Leadership after the Death of  
the Prophet Mohammad

# The Issue of Imāmat

The subject of Imāmat simply refers to the issue of Divinely appointed Leadership after the death of the Prophet Mohammad. It is a very critical and controversial matter.

To go to the heart of the issue ~

If Allah did appoint leadership after the Prophet's death, then the people must acknowledge and follow that leadership.

If Allah did not appoint leadership and the people have claimed that He did, that too is a serious concern.

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It is clear that Muslims have been told to seek Knowledge.

So, if anyone is concerned about their own well-being in this life and the Next, they must abandon following their own personal ideas and imaginations. Instead they must look to the true sources of Allah's Knowledge. Allah created and sent the Qur'an and the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny to explain, protect and propagate His Truth.

The traditions (hadith) that follow are from the Prophet Mohammad and his Purified Progeny and contain the explanation of this issue as well as its sources in the Qur'an.

We must all ask Allah to show us the reality of the issue of Divinely appointed Leadership on earth and to do our best to seek that Knowledge and make it a part of our belief system and our daily lives.

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## What happened at Ghadeer Khumm?

The event of Ghadeer Khumm took place not far from Mecca after the Prophet Mohammad completed his Farewell Hajj. Shortly after the Prophet started the trip homeward he stopped his caravan in the desert at an oasis called Ghadeer Khumm. He gathered all the people in the area together and made an announcement.

It was at this time that, by the order of Allah, he delivered a Divine Message to the people. He told them that he would not be among them much longer and that after his death, they should look to Ali and his Successors as their Leaders and Guides. The Prophet told the people that Ali was chosen and purified by Allah and that as long as they followed his Guidance, they would not go astray from Islam.

The following is a summary of the event of Ghadeer Khumm.

# The Prophet Mohammad's Farewell Hajj and the Events that took place at Ghadeer Khumm

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Allah's appointment of Leadership after the death of the Prophet Mohammad

The Farewell Hajj and What Followed at Ghadeer Khumm

After Almighty Allah ordered the Prophet Mohammad to instruct the Muslims in the ritual prayer, fasting and zakat, He commanded him to guide and teach them the rites of Hajj. Allah, the Exalted, also instructed the Prophet to publically announce who would be the next Divinely appointed leader after his death. Throughout history Allah Almighty had done the same thing with His Prophets who departed this world only after He had perfected His religion through them.

The Holy Prophet carried out the Lord's instructions when he summoned the people to participate in his final Hajj where he taught them the rites of hajj.

He knew that the people of Quraysh envied the Hashimites and planned to take the leadership away from them after his death. He also expected that they would criticize his Divinely appointed Prophethood and accuse him of establishing a monarchy for his household. If that happened it would logically create a movement of apostasy among the Muslims.

But as Divinely directed, he made his declaration to the people. He made it clear that people would not be saved from deviation unless they would hold fast to the two weighty things: The Qur'an and his Progeny. He also warned the people about some of his companions and devious leaders who would deny the Revelation. It was also related that the result of such denial would be that Allah would deprive them of joining the Holy Prophet at the Divine Pool on the Day of Resurrection.

The Prophet Mohammad did not emphasize the Moslems responsibility to follow the leadership of Ali and the continuing line of

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his Progeny during the Hajj. Rather he kept his focus on the Hajj and its rites.

But during the journey back to Madina, Archangel Gabriel delivered to the Holy Prophet Allah Almighty's Revelation of Qur'an:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

O Messenger! Deliver what has been revealed to you from your Lord and if you do not, then you will not have delivered His message at all and Allah will protect you from the people. Surely Allah will not guide the unbelieving people”

Qur'an 5:67-the Food/Al Maidah

When this verse of Qur'an was revealed to him at Ghadeer Khumm(a small oasis between Mecca and Medina) the Prophet Mohammad immediately ordered the caravans to halt and he delivered his Lord's Message. He dismounted from his camel and gathered the others around him. “Hayya ‘ala khayr al amal” (come to the best of deeds) was called out and those who had gone ahead turned back and the stragglers quickly came forward. It was getting closer to mid-day and the desert winds were scorching hot. A pulpit was set up by stacking the camel saddles one on top of another between two Acacia trees. He took Ali to the pulpit, raised his arm and declared him as the next leader of the Muslims.

After praising Allah the Prophet said:

‘O people! I am a mortal human being and the time is not far off when the angel of death will come from Allah and I shall have to abide by

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the call! I am leaving amongst you two weighty things. One is the Book of Allah that is full of Radiance and Guidance. The second weighty thing that I leave with you is my Purified Progeny.

After that the Prophet called out three times;

‘Do I not have more right over you than you have over yourselves?’ Those who had gathered there said in unison “Of course! It is so!” After obtaining this confirmation from the people the Prophet raised Ali’s arm and said:

‘O people! Allah is my Master and I am the Master of all the Believers. I have more right over them than they have over their own selves! Remember that whoever I am Master over, Ali is also their Master! O Allah! Be a friend to one who befriends Ali and be an enemy of the one who is his enemy’ (Al Sawa’iq al Muhriqah, pg 41).

After this announcement the Prophet descended from the makeshift pulpit and offered the early afternoon (zuhr) prayer in congregation. After the prayer he went into his tent and asked people to go to Ali’s tent in groups and congratulate him on his appointment.

While the people were congratulating Ali, the Archangel Gabriel came and gave the good news of the Completion of the Faith and the fulfillment of the Blessings and Almighty Allah revealed the following verse:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

This day I have completed for you your religion and completed My favor on you and chosen for you Islam as your religion”

Qur’an 5:3 – The Food/al Maidah

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This Message delivered on the 18th of the month of Dhul Hijjah both by Divine Revelation and the Prophet's words was so important that it could not be delivered to their homes through individual couriers but could only be delivered at a huge gathering of the people and marked by revelation of the Qur'an.

As was expected, before and after his arrival at Madina, the people of the Quraysh and the hypocrites started their activities against the Holy Prophet. All of their plots were foiled by Allah Who protected His Messenger against any movement of mutiny or apostasy.

In Gharib al Qur'an by al Harawi, the following was recorded:

'After the Holy Prophet's conveyance of the Lord's commission in Ghadir Khumm had been widely announced, a man by the name of al Harith ibn al Numan al Fihra came to the Holy Prophet and said: 'O Mohammad! You have ordered us, on behalf of Allah, to declare that there is no god but Allah and that Mohammad is the Messenger of Allah, perform the prayers, observe fasting in the month of Ramadan, undertake Hajj and pay the zakat; and we have agreed. Nevertheless, all these have not sufficed you until you presented your cousin to us and raised his arm and said:

'Ali will now be the Master of whomever I was Master over.'

He asked: "Is this your own directive or is it the directive of Allah?"

The Holy Prophet replied:

'By Allah there is no god but the One from Whom I take the oath, it is surely Almighty Allah's directive'

Jabir turned his face towards his riding animal saying:

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“O Allah! If Mohammad’s words are true, then rain down on us with a heavenly stone or inflict a painful chastisement upon us.”

At that moment he died, and at that time Allah revealed:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

One demanding, demanded the chastisement which must befall the unbelievers – there is none to avert it.

Qur’an 70:1-2 The Way of Ascent/ Mir’aj

This was the third of the three verses of Qur’an revealed at Ghadir Khumm.

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It is hard to believe that the Muslims, who frequently asked the Holy Prophet about their future, the lawful and the unlawful and in fact all issues in their lives would not be inclined to ask him about leadership after his death. It would be even more difficult to believe that the Prophet Mohammad did not talk to them about this issue. It is well known that even when the Prophet left a city, he left someone in charge in his absence. It is even more illogical that Allah would leave the interpretation and explanation of the Qur’an throughout the rest of time to ordinary people who were often motivated by their own self-interest or lost in ignorance themselves. It is also not logical that the Prophet would stop and gather over 100,000 people in the middle of the desert to tell them what they already knew – that Ali is his friend and Supporter.

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Because it was stated in the Qur'an, it was well known that after the Prophet Mohammad no other Prophet would come. So Logically the Truth had to be passed on and the continuation of the Knowledge of the Truth had to rest with those who would protect it in its original form. So Allah provided and appointed the Leadership of the Purified Twelve Imams from the Prophet's Purified Progeny. They would serve to preserve and convey to people the true meaning of Qur'an and the actions and sayings of the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny. There would be one Successor present among the people in every age. Although they were not Prophets, they would be Divinely protected and Perfect role models in every age.

The Prophet Mohammad knew that the people of Quraysh envied the Hashimites and planned to take on the leadership from them after his death. On several occasions prior to this the Prophet had advised the people of the leadership that should take place after his death. The time of the Farewell Hajj was an excellent opportunity for him to deliver the Divine Commandment regarding his Progeny's Leadership to the Muslim community on a massive level.

This announcement would clarify the matter of the caliphate. But those who wanted the caliphate for their own prestige and advantage took leadership into their own hands anyway. The Prophet Mohammad was dying in the arms of Ali while those motivated by greed and desire to gain control for themselves had a secret meeting to take over leadership into their own hands. They went back on the pledge they had made to the Prophet Mohammad just a few months before.

The Prophet Mohammad had spelled out on earlier occasions the other Divine Orders for such things as mandatory prayers, fasting during the month of Ramadan, and other commandments that were revealed at the appropriate times selected by Allah.

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And the verse that was revealed at Ghadeer Khumm:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

O Messenger! Deliver what has been revealed to you from your Lord. And if you do not, then you have not delivered His message at all.”

Qur'an 5:67 – The Food/al Ma'idah

made it clear that all the earlier commands that the Prophet had delivered would be invalid unless this commandment was revealed and delivered to the Muslims. If this had taken place the entire twenty three years of the Prophet's Mission would have also been invalidated.

But the Prophet Mohammad did receive and deliver the verses and the Message of Ghadir Khumm. It was made clear through Divine revelation and the circumstances surrounding those revelations that the Twelve Imams, the Prophet's Purified Progeny, were created and appointed protectors of the religion of Islam and the only ones with the true Knowledge and explanation of the Qur'an after the death of the Prophet Mohammad.

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(Taken in part from Sirat Amir al Mu'minin/Path of Imam Ali –Ja'far Husayn pg 313-318 and Verses of Ghadir – trans. Badr Shahin, pg 20-40)

# Explanation (tafsir) of the Three Verses of Qur'an that were revealed at Ghadeer Khumm

## The Three Verses (ayats) revealed at Ghadeer Khumm

There are three verses of Qur'an that were revealed at Ghadeer Khumm when the Prophet Mohammad, by Divine Order, appointed Ali as his Successor for the people after his death. Then after the death of Ali, in each era, there would always be an Imam appointed by Allah to carry out and protect the religion of Islam from misinterpretations of the Qur'an and innovations in religion of any kind.

The three verses revealed at Ghadeer Khumm were:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

“O Messenger! Deliver what has been revealed to you from your Lord; and if you do it not, then you have not delivered His message at all. And Allah will protect you from the people; surely Allah will not guide the unbelieving people”.

Qur'an 5:67 The Food/Al Maidah

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“Bismilla hirr Rahman ir Raheem

...This day I have perfected for you your religion and completed My favor on you and chosen for you Islam as a religion”.

Qur'an 5:3 – The Food/Al Maidah

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“Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

One demanding, demanded the chastisement which must befall the unbelievers ~there is none to avert it”. Qur'an 70:1-2 The Way of Ascent/Mir'aj

(The Verses of Ghadeer – Transl. Badr Shahin, pg 20-21)

## Explanation (tafsir) of Qur'an 5:3 ~ Revealed at Ghadeer Khumm

Imam Ridha said regarding this verse:

'This verse was revealed at the Prophet's Farewell Pilgrimage, near the end of his life:

"Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

Today I have perfected your religion for you..."

Qur'an 5:3 The Food/al Maidah

Then the Imam Continued:

'The issue of Succesorship is the perfection of the religion'.

(The Scale of Wisdom – Rayshahri, pg 46, #287 and Al Kafi, ol 1, pg 199, #1)

## Explanation of Qur'an 5:67 ~ Revealed at Ghadeer Khumm

Imam Husein said that the Prophet Mohammad said:

'O Ali! Allah has ordered me to announce your rights as religious obligations on people just like my rights.

Honoring your rights is a religious obligation on everyone who believes in me. If it had not been for you, the party of Allah would not have been known. It is through you that the enemies of Allah are known. Those who meet Allah without your Guardianship (Wilayat) meet Allah without anything.

Allah revealed to me:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

O Mohammad! Deliver what has been sent down to you from your Lord...”

Qur'an 5:67 – The Food/al Māidah

'O Ali! This refers to your Guardianship (Wilayat)'

“...and if you do not do it, then it will be as if you have not delivered His message”

Qur'an 5:67 – The Food al Māidah

If I had not announced the order of Allah about your Guardianship (Wilayat) the value of all my deeds would have been nullified.

The value of the deeds of those who meet Allah without your Wilayat will be nullified.

I do not say anything except Allah's words, and what I said about you was sent down from Allah.'

(The Glad Tidings of Mustafa... Tabari, pg 265, #91 and Bihar al Anwar 38:105)



## Reason for the Revelation of Surah 70:1-2

In Gharib al Qur'an by al Harawi ,the following was recorded:

"After the Holy Prophet's conveyance of the Lord's words at Ghadir Khumm were widely known among the people there, Al Harith ibn al Nu'man al Fihri went to the Prophet Mohammad and said:

"O Mohammad! You have ordered us, on behalf of Allah to declare that there is no god but Allah and that Mohammad is the Messenger of Allah, perform prayers, observe fasting in the month of Ramadan, perform Hajj and pay the zakat - and we have accepted this.

Nevertheless, all of these have not sufficed you until you raised your cousin's arm and said 'Ali will now be the master of anyone who I was the master over'

The Holy Prophet replied:

'By Allah there is no god but from Whom I take this oath, it is surely Almighty Allah's directive'

Jabir turned his face towards his riding animal saying:

"O Allah! If Mohammad's words are true, then rain on us with a heavenly stone or inflict a painful chastisement upon us"

Before Jabir could reach his riding animal, the Lord rained on him a stone that fell on his head and went all the way through his body. As a result he died and then, Allah revealed:

"Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

One demanding, demanded the chastisement which must befall the unbelievers  
~ there is none to avert it"

Qur'an 70:1-2- the Way of Ascent/Mir'aj

(The Three verses of Ghadir-transl. Badir Shahin, pg 25)

Additional Qur'anic verses (and their explanations)  
that confirm the appointment of the Prophet  
Mohammad's Successor

There are many verses (ayats) of the Qur'an that confirm  
the Imamat...

There are many verses in the Qur'an that attest to Allah's appointment of the Imams who were created to provide mankind with Leadership and Guidance after the death of the Prophet Mohammad.

Traditions from the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny tell us that one of the functions of the Successors is to explain the inner and outer meaning of the Qur'an. In this way the Qur'an's interpretation can be understood from the perspective of the Creator. In fact, this is the only way to understand the true meaning of the Qur'an.

The following are just a few of the Qur'anic verses and their explanations by the Prophet and his Progeny that confirm the Divine appointment of the Successors that took place at Ghadeer Khumm.

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## A Qur'anic verse relevant to Divinely appointed Successorship to the Prophet... Qur'an 4:59

It was narrated that:

'When the following verse was revealed:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

O You who believe! Obey Allah, and obey the Messenger and those vested  
with authority from among you...”

Qur'an 4:59 The Women/An Nisa

The Prophet Mohammad was asked by Jabir bin Abdullah al Ansari:

“We understand Allah and His Messenger but who are ‘those vested  
with authority’ whose obedience Allah has paired with obedience to  
you?’

The Prophet Mohammad replied:

‘They are my Caliphs and they are the Imams of the Muslims after  
me. The first one is Ali bin Abi Taleb. And after him, Hasan is the  
Imam and after him, Husain and then Ali bin Husain, then  
Mohammad bin Ali, who is known in the Torah as Baqir. And you O  
Jabir will meet him. So when you do, convey my salam to him. After  
Mohammad bin Ali, it is the Truthful, Jafar bin Mohammad and then  
Musa bin Jafar, then Ali ibn Musa, then Mohammad bin Ali, then Ali  
bin Mohammad, and then Hasan bin Ali. After him it will be the one  
who bears the same name and title as mine.

(pg 1 of 2 – Qur'anic verse relevant to Successorship to the Prophet 4:59)

He is Allah's Decisive Proof on His land and he is the reminder of Allah on His creation. He is the son of Hasan bin Ali.

Allah will achieve victory throughout His land through him. He is the one who will disappear from his Shia( followers) and his Lovers for a period of time and only those whose hearts Allah has tested, will stay steady in believing in his Divine status'.

Jabir asked:

"O Messenger of Allah! Will the Shia benefit from him when he is in occultation?"

The Prophet replied:

'Yes! I swear by He who sent me as a Prophet that they will. They will see with his Light and benefit from his Wilayat just like the people benefit from the sun when it is behind the clouds.

O Jabir! This is one of the secrets of Allah that is contained in His Knowledge. Do not share it except with the right people'.

(pg 2 of 2 – Qur'anic verse relevant to Successorship to the Prophet 4:59)

(Al Qa'em in the Qur'an – Bahraani, pg 45 and Kamal al Deen wa Tamaam al Ni'mah 2:253)

## Qur'anic Verse Confirming the Successors to the Prophet ~ Explanation (tafsir) of Qur'an 43:27

Imam Sadiq was asked:

'Please inform me about the meaning of the following words of the Honorable the Exalted Allah:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

And he left it as a Word to endure among those who came after him...”

Qur'an 43:28 The Embellishment/Zukhrur

The Imam said:

'This means that Allah established Divine Leadership in the Progeny of Hussein up until the Day of Resurrection'.

(As part of a longer tradition)

(Al Khisal – Saduq, pg 490, #5-85)

## Regarding the Imammat... Tafsir of Qur'an 39:9

Imam Sadiq was asked about Allah's statement:

"Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

...Are those who know and those who do not know alike?

Only the ones of understanding are mindful"

Qur'an 39:9 The Companies/Zumar

Imam Sadiq replied:

'We, the Progeny of the Prophet, are the ones who know, and our Shiites are those who are endowed with understanding'.

(the word 'Shiite' refers to those who agreed to and followed the Leadership of Ali after the death of the Prophet Mohammad)

(Mishkat al Anwar... - Tabarsi, pg 240, #451)

Some Traditions about the Event of  
Ghadeer Khumm

&

The Celebration (Eid) of Ghadeer  
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# The Day of Message and Guardianship

The Prophet Mohammad said:

O Moslems! Those who are present here must pass this Message to those who are absent:

To those who believed in me and accepted me as Truth, I introduce you to the Guardianship of Ali. Be certain that Ali's Guardianship is my Guardianship and my Guardianship is the Guardianship of my Lord.

This is a Covenant and treaty from my Lord that He ordered me to convey to you'.

(Forty Traditions on Ghadir – trans. Alizadeh, pg 33, #11 and Bihar al Anwar, 37:14, Tradition 35)

Were it not for Ali, the believers would not be known...

Imam Baqir said:

'The Prophet Mohammad said to Ali:

"Were it not for you the Believers would not be recognized after me".'

(The Life of Imam Mohammad al Baqir – Qarshi, pg 36 and Ibn al Maghazili, Manaqib Alibin Abi Talib, pg 40)

## Fasting on the Day of Ghadeer Khumm

Imam Sadiq was asked:

"How many days of Celebration do the Muslims have?"

The Imam replied: 'Four.'

Then the person said:

"I know about the two days of Celebration (Eids) and Fridays."

Imam Sadiq said:

'Even nobler and greater than them is the eighteenth day of Dhul Hijjah. That was the day on which Allah's Prophet raised Ali up and appointed him as the Master of the people.'

Then the Imam was asked: "What should we do on that day?"

**Imam Sadiq replied:**

**'It is incumbent upon you to fast in gratitude and recite glorifications for Allah, even though Allah deserves to be thanked all the time.'**

**The Prophets appointed their Trustees in the same manner. You should fast on the day on which the Trustee was appointed and consider it a day of celebration.** For whoever fasts on that day, it will be considered to be more rewarding than doing good deeds for sixty years.

(Al Khisal – Saduq, pg 428, #4-145)

Some Characteristics of the Imams who were the  
Successors to the Prophet

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Allah Holding the people accountable is unjustified
without the presence of a Divinely appointed Successor

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More on the Reasons for the Presence of the Successors

&

The Necessity of Holding on to the Prophet and his  
Progeny

# The Imams are the Representatives of Allah

Imam Ridha said:

'The Imams are the Representatives of Allah, the Great and Almighty on His earth'

(The Life of Imam Ali bin Musa al Ridha –Qarashi and Usul al Kafi, vol 1, pg 399)

## Allah has protected the Imam from...

Imam Ridha said:

The Imam is Infallible, Divinely supported, aided and shielded and immune from all mistakes, errors and lapses.

Allah has protected the Imam in order to make him His Proof on the servants and His witness over creation.'

(The Scale of Wisdom ~ Rayshahri, pg 748, # 4291 & Al Kafi, vol1, pg 203)

## Imam Sadiq's definition of Infallibility and Explanation of Qur'an 3:101

Imam Sadiq replied to Hisham's question about the meaning of the word 'infallible' and said:

'The Infallible is protected by Allah from all actions that Allah has prohibited and Allah, Blessed and most High says:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman nirRaheem

...and whoever holds fast to Allah is certainly guided to a Straight Path.”

Qur'an 3:101 ~ The Family of Imran/alay Imran

([The Scale of Wisdom](#) ~ Rayshahri, pg 747 & [Ma'ani al Akhbar](#), pg 132, #2)

# The Meaning of Infallibility and Explanation of Qur'an 17:9

Imam Zayn al Abidin said:

'An Imam from among us can only be infallible. Infallibility is not an outward physical characteristic that can be noticed and this is why it must be documented in the Qur'an and in the traditions.

The Imam was asked:

'O Son of the Prophet, what does 'Infallible' mean?"

The Imam replied:

'It refers to one who clings fast to the rope of Allah and the rope of Allah is the Qur'an. They do not separate from each other until the Day of Resurrection. And the Imam guides to the Qur'an and the Qur'an guides to the Imam.

And this is the meaning of Allah's words:

"Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

Truly this Qur'an guides to what is most upright."

Qur'an 17:9 ~ The Israelites/Bani Israel

(The Scale of Wisdom ~ Rayshahri, pg 746, #4278 & Ma'ani alAkhbar, pg 132, #1)



## The Imam is immune from...

Imam Ali said:

'Among the definitions of the custodianship of an Imam whose obedience is obligatory is to know that he is immune from committing mistakes, errors, wrongs and from all sins, petty or grave. He never makes mistakes of sin nor is he ever diverted from attending to the issues that endanger the religion by any sort of diversion.

He is the most Knowledgeable of all people about what Allah has made lawful and unlawful, His obligations, recommendations and rulings.

He stands needless of the entire world while they all need him. And he is the most generous and courageous of men'.

([The Scale of Wisdom](#) –Rayshahri, pg 50, #309 and [Bihar al Anwar](#), vol 25, pg 164)

Allah holding people accountable is unjustified without  
the presence of a Divinely Appointed Representative

Allah holding people accountable is unjustified without the Imam...

Imam Hussein said:

**'Allah's holding people accountable would be unjustified without the Imam to teach people about Him.'**

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Abu Abdallah was asked

"Can there be a time on earth without an Imam?"

The Imam replied:

'No, it cannot be without an Imam'.

The Imam was asked:

"Can there be two Imams at one time?"

He said:

"Not unless one is silent"

H 428, Ch 5, h1

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Abu Abdallah said the following:

'If there remains only two people on earth one of them will be the Imam'.

He also said:

**'The last person to die will be the Imam so that no one could complain that Allah left them without an Imam, the person with Divine authority over them.'**

H443, Ch 6, h3

(All of the above are from Usul al Kafi – Kulayni, see each individual citation)

## The all inclusiveness of the Qur'an and Prophetic Practice...

It was narrated that someone was with Imam Sadiq and there was a man with him from Mubhiriyyah. The man asked the Imam about some practices:

Imam Sadiq said:

**'There is nothing that the offspring of Adam needs except that it has been explained in the practices set by Allah and His Messenger.**

**Otherwise Allah would not have the argument over us that He holds'.**

The man from Mughiriyyah then asked:

"And what is His argument?"

Imam Sadiq said:

'His verse:

"Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

Today I have perfected your religion for you and I have completed my blessing  
on you"

Qur'an 5:3 The Food/al Maidah

(The Scale of Wisdom – Rayshahri, pg 260, #1432 and Bihar al Anwar, vol 2, pg 169, #3)

More Reasons for the Presence of the  
Divine Successors  
&  
The Necessity of Holding on to the  
Household of the Prophet

## The Family of the Prophet was not to Compete for Power

Imam Ali said:

'O Allah! You know that what we did was neither to compete for power nor to acquire anything from the vanities of the world.

Rather we only wanted to restore the original characteristics of Your religion and to usher prosperity into Your lands so that the oppressed from among Your servants might be safe and that Your abolished commands could be re-established'.

(The Scale of Wisdom – Rayshahri, pg 58, #342 and Nahj al Balaha, Sermon 131)

## The Reason for the presence of a Divine Representative

Imam Sadiq said:

'The earth will never be without a Divine Representative so that if the Believers were to add something to the religion, the Representative would refute it and if they were to omit something from it, they would complete it for them by bringing it back'.

(The Scale of Wisdom – Rayshahri, pg 47, #292 and Al Kafi, vol 1, pg 178, #2)

## Cling to the Progeny of the Prophet

The Prophet Mohammad said:

‘Indeed the example of my Progeny among you is like that of Noah’s Ark.

Whoever embarks on it will be saved and whoever chooses to remain behind it will be lost’.

(The Scale of Wisdom – Rayshahri, pg 5, #334 and Bihar al Anwar, vol 23, pg 105, #3)



All the nations will be called together with...

Regarding the Honorable the Exalted Allah's words:

“One day We will call together all human beings with their Imams...”

*Qur'an 17:71 ~ The Israelites/Bani Israel*

Allah's Prophet said the following:

'All the nations will be called together with the Imams of their time, the Book of their Lord, and the Traditions of their Prophet.'

*(Uyun Akhbar al Reza ~ Saduq, vol 2,pg 32, # 31-61)*

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## Part 2

### ~The Unknown Imam~

The Continuation of Divinely Appointed Leadership on earth.

The Unknown Imam, the Yamani & the 12 Mahdis mentioned in the Will of the Prophet Mohammad that will come after the 12 Imams.

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As authenticated in the Traditions of the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny

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Clarification about the Unknown Imam's Status as the Yamani and the first of the 12 Mahdis

The Unknown Imam who is also known in the traditions as the Yamani is also the first of the 12 Mahdis who will come after the 12 Imams.

He is also the Messenger from and the Successor of the 12th Imam from the Progeny of the Prophet Mohammad.

It may be helpful to note that the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny all have a number of names that identify their roles and personal attributes. For example, Ali ibn Abu Talib who is the first of the 12 Imams is also well known by the name and titles of Imam Ali and Amir al Momineen.

The 12 Mahdis will call the people to the recognition of the rights of the Prophet's Progeny. They will also assist in establishing Allah's Divine Justice and Equity on earth. Just as the 12 Imams came one after another, the 12 Mahdis will also come one after another over a period of time.

Hopefully this will help to clarify a little more about the names and various roles of the Unknown Imam.

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About the terminology 'Imams', 'Mahdis' and 'Progeny'

It may be helpful to note that in other writings both the 12 Imams and the 12 Mahdis are both often referred to as 'Imams'.

In this three part Collection, the term 'Imam' is generally used to refer to the 12 Imams that come directly after the death of the Prophet Mohammad.

And the term 'Mahdis' is used to refer to the 12 Mahdis that come after the 12 Imams.

The term 'Progeny' refers to the Imams and Mahdis that come after the death of the Prophet Mohammad.

A Tradition (hadith) about the Unknown Imam

The Unknown Imam

Imam Sadiq said as part of a longer tradition:

‘...The banners of the Turks will rise in different countries to support the Qa’im. Then some things will happen here and there. Basra will be destroyed and the emir of the emirs will rule in Egypt.

...When armies get ready, different leaders rise, rebels revolt, and unbelievers perish then the expected Qa’im and **the Unknown Imam** will appear with honor and virtue...’

Traditions about...

The Prophet and his Progeny hold the Banner of
Righteousness

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The Yamani will rise with the Banner of Guidance

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When the Yamani rises you are to join him because...

The Prophet and his Household hold the Banner of Righteousness

Imam Ali said as part of a longer tradition:

‘We, the Prophet and his Progeny hold the Banner of Righteousness in our hands.

It will protect anyone who comes under its shadow.

Whoever rushes to follow it will prosper.

Whoever opposes it will perish.

Whoever abandons it will be debased.

Whoever adheres to it will be rescued.’

(Al Khisal ~ Saduq, pg 1058 – this section on pg 1102)

The Qa'im and his Minister...and the Progeny of the Prophet have only one Flag

As part of a longer tradition Imam Baqir said:

The Qa'em and his Minister will be at the Kaaba between Rukn and Maqaam holding the Covenant, the Flag and the Sword of the Prophet when the Companions of the Qa'em will join him and pay allegiance to him.

Then a caller will call and announce the matter (the reappearance) of the Qa'em and will mention him by name in a voice that will be heard by everyone on earth. His name is the same as the name of the Prophet.

If you are not certain about any of these signs, you can be certain about the Covenant of the Prophet, his flag, his sword, and the purified soul from the sons of Husain. If you are still not certain, then you can be confident about the announcement from the heavens that will mention his name.

The Progeny of the Prophet has only one Banner but others will rise with many different Banners. Therefore, stay still and do not follow any one until you see the man from the sons of Husain who has the Covenant, the Banner and the Sword of the Prophet with him. The Covenant of the Prophet was given to Ali bin Husain and then to Mohammad bin Ali and after him to whomever Allah wills.

So follow this Progeny forever and beware of those who I mentioned to you.

(The Qa'em in the Qur'an~Bahraani, pg 132 and Tafseer al Ayyashi 1:63)

The Yamani will come with his army

Imam Sadiq was asked:

‘When will the deliverance of your Shia come?’

The Imam said:

‘When the Abbasids disagree, their rule will become weak, those who have never thought of the rule will seize the opportunity to gain the Abbasids’ rule, the Arabs will become uncontrolled, Sufyani will rise, **the Yamani will come with his army**, Hasani will move with his troops and the the Qa’im will appear in Medina and move towards Mecca with the Heritage of the Prophet.

The Imam was asked:

“What is the Heritage of the Prophet?”

The Imam said:

‘The Heritage of the Prophet is his sword, armor, turban, garment, banner, stick, horse and saddle.’

(Al Ghaybah – Numani, pg 376, #42 & al Kafi, vol 8, pg224 & Bihar al Anwar, vol 52, pg 242, 301)

It is not permissible for any Muslim to turn away from the Yamani because...

As part of a longer tradition Imam Baqir said:

‘The risings of Sufyani, Yamani and Khurasani will be in the same year, in the same month and on the same day. They will be like the prayer beads ~ one following the other. Suffering will be from every side.

Miserable will be whoever resists them.

From among the three banners, only the Banner of the Yamani will be a Banner of Guidance because he will invite to the mission of your man, the Proof (Hujjat) from the Household of Mohammad. When the Yamani rises, he will forbid selling weapons for all of the people and for the Muslims as well.

When the Yamani rises, you are to join him because his Banner will be a Banner of Guidance. It is not permissible for any Muslim to turn away from him and whosoever does so, will be in hell because the Yamani will invite to the Truth and to the Straight Path.’

(Al Ghaybah ~ The Occultation ~ Numani, English/Arabic Edition, pg 349, #13 (this exact citation on pg 353) & Ma'jam Ahadeeth al Imam al Mahdi, vol 3, pg 253)

The Rising of the Yamani and other Inevitable Signs

Imam Sadiq said:

‘The cry from Paradise, the rising of Sufyani and the rising of the Yamani, the killing of the pure innocent soul and a hand appearing in the sky are inevitable.

There will also be a fright in Ramadan that will awaken the sleepers, terrify the awakened and bring the women out of their veils.’

(Al Ghaybah – The Occultation – Numani, pg 348 & Bihar al Anwar ~ Vol 53, pg 233 & Mo’jam Ahadeeth al Imam al Mahdi, Vol 3, pg 464)

About the Will of the Prophet Mohammad & the Importance of making a Will

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About the Conflict over the Will of the Prophet Mohammad

The Conflict over the Will of the Prophet Mohammad

In spite of the clarity of many traditions (hadith) of the Prophet and his Progeny there is a great deal of conflict among the people as to whether or not the Prophet Mohammad wrote and left a Will or not.

These are just a few of the many traditions about the Prophet Mohammad's Will and the circumstances surrounding it.

It is well known that the Prophet Mohammad acted only by Allah and followed His orders precisely. Logic alone dictates that since Allah ordered the writing of a Will in the Qur'an that the Prophet delivered and complied with that order himself.

If one researches the traditions even further, it becomes clear that the earlier Prophets and their Successors also wrote Wills.

One can only imagine the importance of such a document and the significance of the Knowledge and Light contained therein.

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Qur'anic Verse and Traditions about the Importance of Making a Will

Qur'anic verse regarding the importance of making a Will

“Bismilla hirr Rahman hir Raheem

It is prescribed, when death approaches any of you, if they leave any goods, that they make a bequest to parents and the next of kin according to reasonable usage. This is a duty incumbent on those who guard against evil.

Whoever then alters it after they have heard it, the sin of it is only upon those who alter it. Certainly Allah hears and knows all things.”

Qur'an 2:180-181 ~The Cow/al Baqara

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## Traditions about the importance of making a Will

The Prophet Mohammad said:

‘Whoever dies without making a Will has died like the ignorant ones’.

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The Prophet Mohammad said:

‘It is not proper for any Muslim to sleep without having prepared a Will and placing it under their pillow’

(Mishkat al Anwar – Tabarsi, pg 818, # 1949 & #1950)

Tradition confirming that Allah told the Prophet Mohammad to make a Will

Allah told the Prophet Mohammad to write a Will

Ibn Abbas narrated that:

After returning from the Farewell Hajj the Prophet Mohammad said:

O people! Jibraeel, the Trustworthy Spirit (Rooh al Ameen) came to me from Allah and said:

“O Mohammad! Allah says that he misses seeing you.

So prepare a good Will and finish what you have to do.”

O people! My time has come to an end and I can see us leaving one another. So if your bodies have left me, do not allow your souls to do the same.

O people! Allah has never created an immortal Prophet and I am not immortal. Allah has said in this verse in the Qur'an:

“We have not granted to any man before you eternal life. What! If you die, will they live forever? Every soul will taste death”

(Qur'an 21:34-35 ~ The Prophets/Anbiya)

Understand that my Lord has ordered me to leave a Will for you.

Understand that my Lord has ordered me to show you to the Ark of Rescue and the Door of Sustenance. Those of you who want to survive after me and be safe from the disastrous temptations should hold firmly to the Successorship (Wilayat) of Ali ibn Abi Talib. He is the Most Trustworthy (Siddiq-e-Akbar) and the Greatest Hoor (Farooq-e-Azam).

He is the Imam of all Muslims after me.

(pg 1 of 2 ~ Allah told the Prophet Mohammad to write a Will)

Those who love him and follow him will be next to me by the pool of Kauthar in Paradise on the Day of Judgment. I will see those who disobey him on the Day of Judgment, but they will not see me. They will be pulled towards others who will take them deep into hell.

Then the Prophet of Allah said:

‘O people! I have given you the best advice but you do not like the advisors. I say this and I seek forgiveness for myself and for you.’

Then he held Ali’s head and kissed his forehead.

Then the Prophet said to Ali:

‘O Ali! Your virtues cannot be counted. I swear by Allah, who created the seeds and created people, if all creatures would concede to loving you and understanding your true status, Allah would not have created hell.’”

(pg 2 of 2 ~ Allah told the Prophet Mohammad to write a Will)

(Fuzail Ameerul Momineen, Kazmi, I pg 19 & Ghayatol Maram pg 45 H 48, Ehaqa al Haqq v 4, pg 331)

Traditions about the Will of the Prophet Mohammad that
validate the Divine Appointment of the 12 Mahdis who
will come after the 12 Imams

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Traditions about the 12 Mahdis and in part what their
status and roles will be

The Will of the Prophet Mohammad that Validates the 12 Mahdis

It was narrated from Imam Sadiq, from his respected father, from Amir al Momineen, from the Messenger of Allah that he **said on the eve of his departure from this world:**

‘O Imam Ali! Bring me a scroll and pen and ink. Then he dictated his Will and wrote the following statement:

‘O Ali! After me there will be 12 Imams and after them there will be 12 Mahdis and you are the first of them. Then he named one Imam after another and then said: Then Hasan will entrust this post of Successorship (Imammat) to his son MHMD, who survives from the Family of the Mohammad and in this way the 12 will be complete and after that there will be 12 Mahdis.

When the last moments of the Twelfth Imam approach, he will hand over the Leadership to his Son, and in this way his son will be the first Mahdi. He will have three names: my name, the name of my father that will be both Abdullah and Ahmad and third will be Mahdi and he will be the first of the Believers.’

(The Promised Mahdi ~ English Edition, 2012, Vol II - Majlisi, Transl. Rizvi, pg 464 #6 & Ghaibat Tusi
~ Exact page not cited in the original source)

There will be Twelve Mahdis

Imam Sadiq said:

‘After Imam Qa’im there will be twelve Mahdis from us, the descendants of Imam Husain.’

(The Promised Mahdi ~English Edition, 2012, Majlisi, Transl. Rizvi, Vol. 2, pg 464, #7)

The 12 Mahdis will...

Imam Sadiq was asked:

“O son of Allah’s Messenger! I have heard your respected father say that there will be Twelve Imams after Imam Qa’im.”

The Imam replied:

‘My respected father has said that **there will be Twelve Mahdis and not that there will be Twelve Imams after the Qa’im.**

And those Mahdis will call the people to our devotion and to recognize Our rights.’

(The Promised Mahdi ~ Bihar al Anwar ~ Majlisi, Vol 2, pg 424, #21, 2012 Edition)

There will be 12 Mahdis after the 12 Imams

It was narrated that Abu Baseer said to Imam Sadiq:

“O Son of Allah’s Messenger. I have heard from your father that:

‘There will be 12 Mahdies after the Qa’im’”.

The Imam said:

‘He said 12 Mahdis not 12 Imams.

They will be our Shia who will call the people to our Guardianship (Wilayat) and recognition of Our rights.

(Kamal al Din wa Tammam al Ni’mah ~ Saduq, pg 83, #56)

Additional Traditions supporting the existence of the Will of the Prophet Mohammad



Including:

- ~Imam Ali comments about those who abandoned the Will of the Prophet.
- ~About the traitors that did not follow the Will of the Prophet Mohammad.

Imam Ali and the Will of the Prophet

As part of a longer tradition Sulayman ibn Qays al Hilali related to a group of Shia:

‘O my brothers, the Prophet Mohammad passed away the day he passed away.

He was not even buried when people broke their oaths to him and became apostates.

They united in opposition to their oath while Imam Ali was occupied with the duty of taking care of the Holy Prophet until he completed giving him the ritual bath, shroud and camphor and buried him.

Then he turned towards compiling the Qur’an and in accordance with the Will of the Prophet Mohammad, Ali ignored the people.

He did not have any desire to rule because the Prophet Mohammad had already told him about the community.

...Qunfuz came and said:

“O Ali! Abu Bakr is calling you”.

Ali said: ‘I do not need him and **I am not from those who leave the Will of their brother and friend.**

Go to abu bakr and the despotism that you are united on’.

(Kitab e Sulaym ibn Qays al Hilali ~ Rizvi & Rizvi, pg 289, #48)

About the traitors that did not follow the Will of the Prophet Mohammad

As part of a longer tradition Imam Baqir said:

‘The Prophet Mohammad, may Allah bless him and his Progeny said:

“Allah’s anger and my anger are intense against the ones who shed my blood and hurt me in respect to my Progeny.

And misery to the traitorous group that did not follow the Will of the Prophet Mohammad in respect to his Progeny!

(The Life of Imam Mohammad al Baqir -Qarashi)

More about Wills of Divinely Appointed Leaders

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Qur'anic verse and its explanation (tafsir) about the Will that is  
delivered from one Divine Leader to the next

&

Excerpt from the Will of another Prophet of Allah

## Explanation (Tafsir) of Qur'an 4:58 ~

### The Will that is delivered from one Divine Leader to the next

Imam Sadiq said when talking about this Qur'anic verse:

Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

Surely Allah commands you to make over trusts to whom they are due and that when you judge between people you judge with justice.

Surely Allah warns you with what is excellent.”

Qur'an 4:58 ~ The Women/Nisa

‘This verse refers to the Will that each one of us, the Prophet and his Progeny delivers to the next.’

(Al Ghaybah ~ Numani, pg 57 & Bihar al Anwar vol23, pg 278 & Tafseer al Burhan, vol 1 pg 380 & Al Yateema wed Durra aath Tahmeena, pg 175

## Tafsir of Qur'an 4:58 ~The Wills of the Imams

Imam Baqir was asked about the ayat:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

Surely Allah commands you to make over trusts to whom they are due and that when you judge between people you judge with justice; surely Allah warns you with what is excellent.”

*Qur'an 4:58 ~ The Women/Nisa*

Imam Baqir said:

The order of Allah in this verse concerns the Imamate. Each Imam from us has to deliver the Imamate to the next Imam coming after him. He does not have to hide it from him.

Do you not hear Allah saying:

“And that when you judge between people you judge with justice: Surely Allah warns you with what is excellent.”

It is the rulers. Do you not see that Allah has addressed the Prophet and his Progeny in this verse?’

(one copy to 'Tafsir of Qur'an Various Sources' notebook & 1 copy to 'The Covenant of the Imams' notebook)

(Al Ghaybah ~ Numani pg 59 & Bihar al Anwar, vol23, pg 278 & Tafseer al Burhan, vol 1 pg 380)

## From the Will of Prophet Luqman

Imam Sadiq was asked about the contents of the Will of Prophet Luqman.

The Imam said:

‘There were amazing things in that Will.

The most amazing thing is that he said to his son:

“Fear Allah so much that you think He will punish you even if you do all the good deeds of the jinn and the people.

And have so much hope in Allah’ Mercy that even if you commit all the sins of the jinn and the people, He will have Mercy on you.”’.

(Mishakt al Anwar fi Ghurar al Akbar – Tabarsi, pg 300, # 595)

Traditions cautioning about the Self-appointed Scholars

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Traditions identifying the Divinely appointed Scholars

~A brief note about the Divinely Appointed Scholars & the Self-Appointed Scholars and why it is included here.

~Traditions cautioning about the Self-Appointed scholars.

~Traditions verifying that the only true Scholars are the Divinely appointed ones from the Household of the Prophet Mohammad.

## About the Divinely Appointed Scholars & the Self-Appointed Scholars

This topic is being addressed here to serve as a reminder of what the traditions clearly state - that the only real Scholars are the Divinely appointed ones from the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny. They are Infallible and protected from any kind of mistakes or wrong doing. One of their functions is to protect Islam in every age from errors that might be entered into it or truths being omitted from it. They are virtually Allah's purifying system for His Truth and Knowledge on earth.

This section also provides traditions cautioning people about the self-appointed scholars who are very capable of propagating the Message of Islam while entering inaccurate information into it. Their misguidance often resembles the Truth but in reality distorts the Truth and leads people astray. Their role was originally basically that of collecting and verifying the chain of transmission of the traditions and making them available to those seeking Divine Knowledge. Yet, as traditions warn us, many over stepped those boundaries for a wide range of self-serving reasons. And as other traditions tell us, there are some self-appointed scholars who are virtuous but they were still not infallible. And they were few in number and even fewer in number as the end-times got closer.

Because the issue of the Unknown Imam and the Twelve Mahdis that come after the 12 Imams is such a critical issue of acknowledging Divinely Appointed Leadership on earth, it is far too important to entrust it to just anyone. For this reason it is highly recommended that one seeks the Truth and Proof of this matter in the Traditions of the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny who Allah created to guide us to His Truth.

And remember that Imam Baqir said:

‘Go to the East and go to the West but you will never find true Knowledge except for what comes from us, the Household of the Prophet Mohammad.’

(tradition of Imam Baqir from: The Scale of Wisdom – Rayshahri, pg 792, #4583)

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## Traditions Cautioning about the Self-appointed Scholars of Misguidance.

# At the End of Time the Ummah, their Mosques and the Jurists will...

The Messenger of Allah said:

‘A time will come for my community when only the name of the Holy Qur’an will remain. They will have only the title of Islam and they will be far away from it.

Their mosques will seem to be filled but will be completely empty of Guidance.

**Their jurists will be the worst under the sky and mischief will start from them and return to them.’**

(The Promised Mahdi/Bihar al Anwar ~ Majlisi, Trnsl. Rizvi, First Edition, vol 51-53 pg 88, #21



## Explanation of Qur'an 9:31 ~ They have taken their scribes and their monks as...

Imam Sadiq said in regard to Allah's verse in the Qur'an:

“Bismilla hīrr Rahman nīr Raheem

They have taken their scribes and their monks as  
lords besides Allah...”

Qur'an 9:31 ~ Repentance/Baraat

By Allah they did not have the people pray to them nor did they have them fast for them.

Instead, they made what was permitted for them the prohibited and made the prohibited to be permitted and people followed them.’

(The Scale of Wisdom ~ Rayshahri, English/Arabic Edition, pg 931, # 5353 & Al Mahasin, vol 1 pg 383, #847)

## Imam Ali's Sermon 18 ~ About the differences of opinion among the so-called theologians

Imam Ali said:

**'When a problem is put before any one of the so-called scholars they pass judgment on it from their imaginations.** When exactly the same problem is placed before another one of them they pass an opposite verdict.

Then these judges go to the chief who appointed them and he confirms all the verdicts even though their Allah is One and the same, their Prophet is one and the same and their Book (Qur'an) is one and the same.

Is it that Allah ordered them to differ and they obeyed Him? Or He prohibited them from it but they disobeyed Him?

Or is it that He prohibited them from it but they disobeyed Him?

Or is it that Allah sent an incomplete Faith and sought their help to complete it?

Or are they His partners in the affairs, so that it is their share of duty to pronounce and He has to agree?

Or is it that Allah the glorified sent a perfect faith but the Prophet fell short of conveying it and handing it over to the people?

The fact is:

"Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

...We have not neglected anything in the Book...

Qur'an 6:38 ~ The Cattle/Anam

(pg 1 of 2 ~ Sermon of Imam Ali #18 – the differences among the so-called theologians)

And it also says that one part of the Qur'an verifies another part and that there is no discrepancy in it ~ and as He says:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

...and if it (Qur'an) were from any other than Allah, they would have found in it many a discrepancy”

Qur'an 4:82 ~ The Woman/Nisa

Certainly the outside of the Qur'an is wonderful and its inside is deep in meaning. Its wonders will never disappear, its amazements will never pass away and its intricacies cannot be made clear except through it.

(pg 2 of 2 ~ Sermon of Imam Ali # 18 ~ The differences among the so-called theologians)

(Najj al Balagha, English/Arabic Edition, Compiler~ Musawi, Vol 1, pg 118)

## Traditions identifying the Divinely appointed Scholars

## The only real Scholars are from the Household of Mohammad

As part of a longer tradition Imam Reza said:

‘May Allah have Mercy on anyone who revives our affairs.’

Al Harawi asked the Imam:

“How can one revive your affairs?”

The Imam said:

‘They can learn our Knowledge and teach it to the people.

If the people get informed of those good teachings, they will follow us.’

Al Harawi added: “O son of the Prophet of Allah! A tradition has been narrated on the authority of Abu Abdullah that says:

“Whoever learns things in order to argue with the ignorant ones or to be haughty with the Scholars, and attracts some of the people to himself, will go to the fire.’

The Imam said:

‘My grandfather spoke the truth. Do you know who the ignorant ones are?’

Al Hawari said: “O son of the Prophet of Allah! No.”

Imam Reza said:

‘They are our opponents who make up stories. **Do you know who the Real Scholars are?**’

Al Harawi said: “O son of the Prophet of Allah! No.”

The Imam said:

(pg 1 of 2 ~ Reviving the matter of the Prophet’s Household and the only real Scholars are...)

**They are the Scholars from the Household of Mohammad whose obedience the Honorable the Exalted Allah has made incumbent on the people and Allah has made it obligatory for the people to love them.'**

(pg 2 of 2 ~ Reviving the Matter of the Prophet's Household and the only real scholars are)

(Uyun Akhbar al Reza ~ Saduq, pg 576, #28-64)

## The Three Groups of People... Divinely appointed Scholars, Seekers of Knowledge and...

Imam Sadiq said:

‘The people can be divided into three groups:

They are the Knowledgeable Divinely Appointed Scholars, the Seekers of Knowledge and the garbled ones.

**We, the Prophet and his Progeny are the Divinely Appointed Knowledgeable Scholars.**

Our followers are the seekers of Knowledge and the rest of the people are the garbled ones’.

(Al Khisal – Saduq pg 218, 3-115)

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## Part 3

# Advice, Reminders & Supplications from the Yamani



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# Excerpts from the Sermons and Writings of the Yamani



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# The Opening

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~The Content and Objectives of the Message and Mission of the Yamani.

~The Yamani said that he came to...

The Yamani said...

‘I did not come seeking servants.

Nor did I come for people to see me so that I can be a veil between them and Allah.

I came to demolish the structure of falsehood and to build the structure of Truth.

So help me to do so, may Allah have Mercy on you.’

The Yamani

Content and Objectives of the Message and Mission of the Yamani

In the name of Allah, the Merciful the Most Compassionate and Praise be to Allah, Lord of the Worlds.

Isa said: “Man will not live by bread alone but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of Allah.

And I, the Servant of Allah tell you:

‘With food, the son of Adam will die and with the word of Allah they will live’.

My mission is similar to that of Noah, Abraham, Moses, Jesus and to that of Mohammad.

My mission is to spread monotheism in every place on this earth. The purpose of the Prophets and their Executors is also my purpose and to explain the deviation of the Jewish, Christian and Muslim scholars and their departure from the Law of Allah and their violation of the recommendations of the Prophets.

My will is the will and proclamation of Allah to Whom is ascribed all Perfection and Majesty for the people of earth to crave nothing but Allah’s will, to overwhelm the earth with justice and equity, just as it has been filled with tyranny and oppression, to feed the hungry and shelter the poor, to bring joy to the orphans after their prolonged sadness, to fulfill the widows material needs with honor and dignity, and to achieve the most important thing in the Law of Allah ~

Justice, Mercy and Truthfulness.

The Yamani ~ 16/Safar/1426 hijri/2006

Excerpts from The Sermon of Forgiveness

The Concealment of Misdeeds and its Meaning

“Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

And those who believe and do righteous deeds and believe in what has been sent down to Mohammad - and it is the truth from their Lord. He will rid them of their misdeeds and settle their state of mind”

Qur'an 47:2 ~ Mohammad

This is the situation of those who believe in the Proofs (Hujja) of Allah. They initially had faith in the words of Allah and believed in them. They worked by them and believed in the Proof of Allah and the Truth from their Lord so their reward from their Lord was to “conceal for them their misdeeds and settle their state of mind”

The Believer is described by Him as clean and pure. Allah not only forgave their misdeeds but He did away with them and “concealed for them their misdeeds”.

So He has not only forgiven them, but He also covered and concealed them.

And do you know from whom He concealed them? He concealed them from the angels. Yes, and from the land and from everything that witnessed that disobedience or sin. So the sin no longer exists and no longer has an effect. It is as if nothing ever happened. As for the Angel who wrote them ~Allah made them forget what they wrote.

The Yamani

(Sermon of Forgiveness ~ The Yamani, pg 1)

More on the Effect of Misdeeds that are Forgiven

‘Those who are ignorant of the Truth say that the guilty deeds and sins are forgiven by Allah, but their effects remain. And those people give the example of the self to be like a piece of wood and the guilty deeds to be like nails that were pounded into the wood. And they say that if the nails were pulled out, their effects would remain. So they see that even if the guilty one’s deeds are forgiven, their effects remain.

This is what they say.

I say and the Truth I say to you is that they are wrong. **Why do you talk about that which you do not know?** Why do you close the door of the Kingdom of Heaven in the face of the penitents? The one who pounded the nails into the wood is not the Creator of the wood so that they would be able to restore it as it was. But the One who forgives the guilty deeds is Allah who created the soul and He is capable of everything.

He is capable of restoring the soul as it was.

If a servant repents to Allah, Allah makes the writing angels forget what they wrote, and He makes the land in which the servant committed disobedience forget what it witnessed. And He lifts every trace of the guilt from the servant’s soul, the servant who is sincere in their repentance. Yes, they return like the day their mother bore them, a pure nature.

No guilt. No trace. None who remember.

(pg 1 of 2 ~ More on the effects of forgiven misdeeds)

Yes, from the favor of Allah, Allah keeps the servant remembering their guilt. But not in order to speak of it, because Allah is not satisfied with this either. But rather so that they would not return to it and so that they constantly feel the pain of the disobedience by the obedience, and they therefore ascend by their pain.

So you O penitent one! You, today are of a pure nature (fitra) like the day your mother bore you. No door from the doors of the Sky closes in your face if you wish to ascend. So, if you want to be from the close ones, please do as the door is open for you.

It is opened by the Compassionate and the Merciful One.'

The Yamani

(pg 2 of 2 ~ More on the effects of forgiven misdeeds)

(The Sermon of Forgiveness ~ The Yamani, pg1)

Please see the 'Supplication' section of this notebook for
the supplication from the
~Sermon of Forgiveness~

Excerpt from The Guidance



Rissalat al Hidayah

2001/1422 Hijri

Wash the mud off your eyes ... and do not take
refuge in the ignorant ones

‘Wash the mud off your eyes and ears so that you see Allah and hear Allah when He talks to you even through a rock.

Do not take refuge in the ignorant ones who call themselves Knowledgeable, so that they fill your ears and eyes with mud, and pull you into this materialist transitional world and its ornaments.’

The Yamani

(Letter of Guidance ~ The Yamani, p 1)

Testify for the Truth and...

‘As for you, if you want to testify for the Truth, testify.

But if you find its bitterness and heaviness, praise Allah for what He has bestowed upon you.

As the Truth is heavy and bitter and falsehood is light and sweet.’

The Yamani

(The Guidance ~ The Yamani, pg 3)

And know that your Message is the Message of...

‘And know that your Message is the Message of all the Prophets and Successors, so work and be witnesses over the people, just as the Messenger is a witness over you.

And Allah, His Messenger, the Prophets and Successors and the Believers will see your work.

And have patience and hang on to your religion and unite with each other.’

The Yamani

(The Guidance ~ The Yamani, pg 3)

Introduce people to the Truth and...

Bear witness to what you hear and see in the Kingdom of Heaven. Introduce people to the Truth and call people to the Truth and call everyone to the banquet that has descended from Paradise.

Perhaps those who show that they lengthen their prayers and supplications will not come to this banquet. But rather adulterers, drinking ones and sinners will come to it as they repent to Allah.

This is why I was dispatched ~ to reform these.

Blessed are they if they repent and come to the banquet of the wedding of the Lamb.

Blessed is one who does not stumble past me.

The Yamani

(Letter of Guidance ~ The Yamani, pg11)

Short Sayings from The Sermon of Hajj

2006/Dul Qada 1427 Hijri

The mountains will subside but...

‘Be certain that whoever Allah the All Mighty guides, the mountains will subside but they themselves will not because they asked for Truth from the Truth and knew Allah by Allah and followed the Successors of Allah by Allah.’

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Hajj ~ The Yamani, pg 4)

Work and work and work until...

‘...And you, O true Believers, then you will learn from Allah... that you are walking on the Right Path and have adopted the true religion that Allah supports.

Allah is the One who has created you for this.
It is the Truth that you have known.

So work and work and work until you become breathless.

In work is your salvation as there is no good in one who knows but does not work.’

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Hajj ~ The Yamani, pg 3)

Rest Assured O Believers!

‘The Truth, I am telling you, rest assured O Believers, peace be on you from a Merciful Lord, is that Allah the Almighty will save you because He is the Generous and the Ardent One who supports His Believers in every age.’

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Hajj ~ The Yamani, pg 3)

So, work and work and work as the race is...

‘So work and work and work as it is a race to Heaven and Blessed be the winners whose names are written in the record of the eternal life.’

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Hajj ~The Yamani, pg 4)

I did and still love...

‘I did and still love loneliness and to estrange myself from people and prefer the company of Allah Almighty.’

The Yamani

About the Misguiding Scholars, their Followers and the Outcome of their Actions

‘Blessed be you O Believers!

O you who ratify the Supremacy of Allah, His reign and His appointment, the All Mighty.

And there is another greeting for those who contradict the religion of Allah and deny the Supremacy of Allah the Almighty and oppose the Divine Appointment because of the misguiding scholars and those who follow them.

And I tell them:

“Do what you please! Truly you are paving the way to the Successor who is the Successor whether it pleases you or not and you will lose this world and the Hereafter, and that is the clear loss.”

Here you are realizing your loss in this world day after day. And the falseness of your accounting and your suppositions have been made clear to you. You have accounted for everything except Allah.

And those who followed the misguiding scholars began to realize that they have been led into a desolate and darkened valley where there is no greenery, water or light. It is the assured death in the darkness. And those self-appointed scholars set out to disclaim it in their sayings and actions to their followers.

I say: **“Abandon them and follow the bitter heavy Truth, as in it is your salvation. Don’t you see that they have left you as pillage for the wolves?”**

Are there any sound ones who will save themselves from the certain death in this world and the Hereafter?

Be afraid of Allah. Be afraid of the One Who is able to perish the soul and the body together in hell.

O you people! Those misguiding scholars have fascinated you and they have made the untruth resemble the Truth.

The Yamani

Leave the worship of those idols as they have made
permissible what is prohibited

The Messenger of Allah said:

‘An era will come to my nation when nothing from the Qur’an will remain except a shadow of it and from Islam nothing but its name.

The Muslims will be called by that name but they will be the farthest people from it. Their mosques will be well-constructed but they will be empty of guidance. The scholars of that time will be the worst scholars under the shadow of the sky.

From them the sedition began and to them it will return.’

I am calling you, O people to leave the worship of those idols as they have made permissible to you what is prohibited and prohibited to you what is permitted. And you obeyed them.

As a result you worshiped them rather than worshiping Allah.

Imam Sadiq said:

“They have taken as lords beside Allah their Rabbis and Monks”

Qur’an 9:31 ~ Repentance/Barat

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Hajj ~ The Yamani, pg 8)

Go the Truth

‘Approach the bitterness of the Truth as in it is the bitter remedy – the cure for a chronic illness.

Go to the Truth that will leave you with no friend.

Approach the Truth and the Light wanting nothing but Allah the Almighty and the Hereafter ~ away from the allurements of the world and its darkness.’

The Yamani

The Martyrdom of Husain and the Self-Appointed Scholars

‘The fruit of the blood of Husain and his Household and Companions was a believing nation that stood in front of the tyrants who had overpowered the nation. And this believing nation was not satisfied with other than the decisions of Allah for more than a thousand years.

But the self-appointed scholars of the end-of-time came to demolish what Husain built with his pure and Holy blood. They came to establish the supremacy of people and breach the Supremacy of Allah. And for a cheap material benefit they sold the religion of Allah. They assumed that their deficient intellect was capable of personalizing the material interests of the nation - even though they didn't look at the outcome for the nation in the Hereafter at all.

The Truth I am telling you, O Believers, is that they will not be able to kill Husain because Husain and his Divine Revolution that supported the Divine Appointment remains with you O Believers.

They claim to cry for Husain or they visit Husain's grave.

But Husain curses them because they are his assassins in this era.

But they failed and satan returned ashamed after your pure hands grasped the torch of Husain's revolution and worked to preserve its blessed goals and the Supremacy of Allah in His land with your pure blood.’

The Yamani

Awaken O Sleepers, Awaken O Dead... Awaken

‘You repeat the same things time and time again ~one after another and follow the misguided non-working scholars and the same snake bites you from the same hole in the ground.

Awaken O Sleepers, Awaken O Dead... Awaken!’

The Yamani

Return to Allah, Return to the Truth, Return to the Book of Allah

**‘Return to Allah, return to the Truth, return to the Book of Allah
and its Owner.**

Because in your return to the Truth of the world and the Hereafter
lies your salvation from the torment in the world and in the
Hereafter. And there is no other choice for salvation as this is the
day of Allah that His Supporters will stand by.’

The Yamani

These days are the days of the Pilgrimage

‘O Believers, these days are the days of the Pilgrimage. So pleasant be your Pilgrimage for those of you who go to the Ka’ba or those of you who remain in your houses ~ as you are the Pilgrims even if you were in your houses because the House of Allah is in your hearts.

As Allah made the Pilgrimage incumbent on people so they could be present to verify their allegiance and support to the Successor of Mohammad’s Progeny. So what will those who renounced the Successor of Mohammad’s Progeny do?

To whom will they give their allegiance and support?

The Truth I am telling you is that they are dead, not alive and they will not feel it until the time when they are resurrected.

And the people in the pre-Islamic epoch used to make pilgrimage ~

“...and their worship at the Holy House is nothing but whistling and hand clapping. So it is said to them taste the doom because of what you disbelieve.”

Qur’an Surah 8:35 ~ The Spoils of War/al Anfal

And those of today are like those of yesterday.

“Certainly, for those who now commit injustice, there is an evil day like the evil day as that of old, so let them not be too hasty.”

Qur’an Surah 51 ~ The Scatterers/Zariat

(pg 1 of 2 ~ These are the days of the Pilgrimage)

Certainly, Allah has warned those who have turned away about the torment. And the one who has warned them is blameless.’

“And if we delay for them the doom until a reckoned time, they will surely say: Why withhold it? Truly on the day when it comes to them, it will not be averted from them, and that which they mocked will surround them.’

Qur'an 11:8 ~Hud

The Yamani

(pg 2 of 2 ~These are the days of the Pilgrimage)

(The Sermon of Hajj ~ The Yamani, pg 16)

Please see the ‘Supplication’ section of this notebook for
the supplication from the

~The Sermon of Hajj~

Short Selections from

'Jihad'

Struggle in the Way of Allah is the Door
to Paradise'

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Words of Truth and Wisdom

The Yamani

2007/ 15 Thul al Hijjah 1427

## Introductory Comments

'The devils from among mankind and jinn are always attempting to cause doubts regarding the Prophets and Guardians who they disbelieve in and in their Prophecy and in their Messages from Allah, the Glorious, the Almighty.

The enemies of Allah and the soldiers of the shaytan from among mankind and jinn want to kill every Messenger in order that the region will be empty for them.

In these few lines I will try to defend the Prophets of Allah and His Messengers, upon them all be Peace, and their followers, and their indisputable rights to defend the religion of Allah, the Glorious, the Almighty.

And I shall try to limit my statements to that which is imperative in identifying the Truth, and in granting success to the people in following the Truth and pleasing Allah, the Glorious.

And all praise is due to Allah alone.

The Yamani



# The Struggle

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Jihad

The Objective of Jihad

The objective and the purpose of Jihad in the true Divine religion, that was carried out by the Prophets and Representatives is guiding the people to the Truth and to following the Truth.

Therefore, the purpose of the Prophets is not to kill or fight the people, regardless of who these people are. For certainly the Prophets carry out what Allah the Glorious wants and if it were that Allah wanted their destruction and their killing then He would not have created them. Rather the Glorious the Almighty created them that they may worship Him and enter Paradise.

So the Jihad in itself is not the purpose nor is it the objective of the true Divine Religion. Rather it is a means of delivering the Truth to the people. We find that the most important condition of Jihad and that which Jihad is not valid without it, is calling the people to the Truth. And one must strive in calling them and delivering the Truth to them by proclaiming the Message in the clearest manner.

And so you do not raise swords in their faces, but rather you go calling the people to the Truth and raise the pen instead of raising the sword.

And while it is obligatory that we take heed of the fact that it is not possible to spread the religion and belief by the sword, we must also know that belief is not killed by the sword. In the approach of all the Divine religions and their calling of the people to Allah, is a dialogue and a reminder and it is found in the existence of the Heavenly Books, the Torah, the Bible and the Qur'an. These are the best Proofs of this. For certainly they are Books overflowing with Wisdom and discourse and calling to Allah and not swords dripping with blood.

(pg 1 of 2 ~ The objective of Jihad is...)

So the result that is obligatory for us to know as Believers is that the objective of Jihad is opening the closed doors in order to reach the people and delivering the Truth to them and guiding them.

And the objective of Jihad is not killing the people.

And it is obligatory for every believing man and woman to prepare themselves to call others to the Truth and the religion of Allah. And it must be that they do everything in their power to learn, teach and call to the Truth and the religion of Allah.

And the Truth I say to you is that many are seeking the Truth and many will follow the Truth, Allah willing. So, it is obligatory that we extend our hands to them in order to lift them out of the hole of satan in which they are suspended. So the people of the right Divine Religion must seek to guide the people and to rid them of the nets of satan and to rescue them from the fire and to open the doors of Paradise to them so that they may enter.

And never will you find the people of the Right Divine Religion wanting to kill people or killing people. And fighting or killing is a situation that may exist only when they are forced to turn to it in their own self-defense.

The Yamani

(pg 2 of 2 ~ The Objective of Jihad is...)

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~ The Yamani, pg53)

The Prophets and Messengers are...

The Prophets and Messengers are the carriers of the Word of Allah, the Glorified, and they are the carriers of the Banner of Jihad and fighting for the sake of Allah the Glorified.

This is the history of the Prophets and Messengers between your hands.

Read it in the Torah, Bible and Qur'an.

The Yamani

(Striving in the Way of Allah ~ The Yamani, pg 51)

Recognizing the Representative of Allah is...

The Representative of Allah on the Earth is the Word of Allah.

So those who accepted and believed in the Representatives were among the Monotheists. And those who denied them were among the polytheists, simply and without any complexity.

For in every age there is Moses and Jesus and Mohammad and Hussain. All of the Prophets and Representatives are represented in the person who represents the Representative of Allah on His earth.

Therefore, the one who denies the Representative of Allah on His earth has denied Moses, even though they may claim to be a Jew, and the same for those who have denied Jesus, even if they claim to be a Christian, and it is the same for those who have denied Mohammad even though they claim to be Muslim. And it is the same for the ones who deny Hussain even though they claim to be among the Shiite of Hussain ibn Ali.

As such is the Jihad for upholding and demonstrating the Command of the Representative of Allah who was appointed by Allah, the Glorious, the Almighty.

For by them Allah is known, therefore, the one who knew the Successors appointed by Allah has known Allah. And the one who denied them has denied Allah. And for one who was ignorant of them has been ignorant of Allah, the Glorious, the Almighty.

Certainly the Divinely appointed Representatives are the best Names of Allah and the face of Allah and the hand of Allah, the Glorious, the Almighty.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~The Yamani, pg40)

The most important path by which one knows the Successor of Allah on His earth is...

The first Path by which the Angels came to know Adam is through Allah, the Glorious, the Almighty mentioning Adam and proclaiming him to be his Representative on earth.

And after Adam, mentioning was also the path to knowing the Representative of Allah on His earth. However, this time the Divine Mentioning is known through the previous representative. He provides his nation with a Will and Commandment regarding the Representative who is to come after him and that this is by the Command of Allah the Glorious the Almighty. So it is not the Representative who appoints who comes after him but it is Allah the Glorious, the Almighty who appoints His Representative on His earth in every age. And there is not a Prophet from among the Prophets or Imam from the Imams except that they were mentioned by the one who came before him.

This is not a space that can be filled by other than them. However the nations have deviated from them. And the virtuous scholarly ones guided the people to return to the Path of the Trustees and the necessity to follow them and to take only from them. And the so-called self-appointed scholars also emerged among them, trying to take on for themselves the role of the Trustees.

And the second Path is knowing that the Representative of Allah on His earth is the weapon of the Prophets and the Representatives which is Knowledge and Wisdom. And this is known from their speech and their solutions for problems in the existing matters.

And as for the third path in knowing the Representative of Allah on His earth, it is the Banner of pledging allegiance to Allah or the dominion of Allah the Glorious meaning to obey and do what he commands you to do because he is My Representative.

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~ The Yamani, pg 41)

Surely there is no Jihad except...

Consequently, the human being should beware of the sedition against Allah and should strive with their own self and recognize and follow the Successor of Allah on His earth. Otherwise the fire is their abode.

For certain, there is no Jihad except under the Banner of the Guardian of Allah on His earth.

And for those who claim to be doing jihad while requesting martyrdom under a banner other than the Banner of the Successor of Allah on His earth, they rush forth fighting for this world before fighting for the Hereafter.

So, the human being must engage themselves in the Greater Jihad first and foremost and become acquainted with the Guardian of Allah and His Successor on His earth.

Then they may engage in the minor Jihad under the Banner of the Successor of Allah. In this way their Jihad is acceptable to Allah as it is obedience to Him, The Glorious.

The Yamani

(Striving in the Way of Allah ~The Yamani, pg 14)

The Two types of Jihad...

Jihad, the struggle is divided into:

The jihad of the spirit that is the greater jihad and the jihad of the body is the minor jihad.

The first result of the greater jihad is following the command of the Successor of Allah on His earth and complying with his orders, meaning that any prostration to him is as the prostration of the Angels to Adam, peace be upon him.

As a result, the greater jihad in this case becomes the Door of Paradise. Certainly it is the door that connects to the Knowledge of the Successor of Allah on His earth and following Him. And the Successor of Allah is the Door to knowing Allah, the Glorious, the Almighty.

And the minor Jihad is giving money and the self for the sake of Allah without the desire for anything in return except seeking the satisfaction and pleasure of Allah the Glorious, the Almighty.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allah...~The Yamani, pg 6)

Offensive Jihad & the Unseen Weapons of Jihad

First it should be noted that the Jihad and fighting for the sake of Allah are of two types. The first is offensive and the second is defensive.

About the offensive Jihad:

The offensive Jihad is incumbent on the Believing nation that carries the banner of the Successor of Allah on His land. This is one of the two types of Jihad and it involves fighting and the nations of people who do not accept the Religion of Truth and the Successor of Allah.

Offensive Jihad was carried out by many of the Prophets of Allah and His Messengers and was mentioned in the Holy Books. Joshua son of Noon, David, Solomon, Mohammad and Ali are the Proof and they fought by the Command of Allah the Glorified, the Exalted.

And for this type of Jihad there are conditions and restraints that perhaps were not fixed in detail in all the religions and at all times, yet overall, they are fixed.

And at times, some of the people look for an excuse to turn away from Jihad. In the type of Jihad for the Sake of Allah they use the excuse of the lack of equipment and numbers.

As for the Believers, the matter takes different turn and the military equation according to them includes the unseen because they believe in the unseen. And the Believers have a great weapon that the other party does not have. And that is supplication and seeking help from Allah the Strong, the Almighty.

And Allah who is sought for help and who the believers believe in, is the Creator of the hearts and the hearts belong to Him because He is the one who

(pg 1 of 2 -The Offensive Jihad & the Unseen Weapons of Jihad)

fills the hearts and strength and firmness and He is the one who makes the hearts empty of everything but terror and collapse.

And Allah the Glorified, the Exalted reinforces the Believers with the angels and casts terror into the hearts of their enemies even before they call on Him or seek His help. And this is because they went out for His sake and their hope was that He might be pleased with them and give victory to His religion and His Prophets and His Messengers.

And in this way, steadfastness and angels accompany the ones who support Him and His Messengers in the unseen. And He put terror in the hearts of those who disbelieved and they are all unseen weapons in which the Believers believe and which the vision of their hearts realize.

The Yamani

(pg 1 of 2 ~The Offensive Jihad & the Unseen Weapons of Jihad)

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~ Sayyed Ahmad al Hassan, excerpts from pg 20-22)

Failing the greater Jihād...

'Indeed, many of them denied the Successors of Allāh on His earth and so they failed the battle of the Greater Jihād.

As a result the Minor Jihād does not benefit them.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allāh ~ The Yamani, pg 14)

The Defensive Self-Protective Jihād

It is the right of the Believers to defend the land whose people are on the religion of Truth when their land is attacked by the disbelievers and the polytheists. And all the Divine religions permit the defensive Jihād and make it obligatory on all the Believers. And it is an innate and instinctive matter even for the animals as they defend their nests and dens.

So it is necessary that the person loves for their country goodness, well-being, and justice as they want to fill the earth with fairness and equity.

Therefore one's love for the land or a country instead becomes standing with the Guardian of Allah and the Successor on His earth.

And whoever fights the Guardian of Allah and His Successor on His earth does not want goodness and welfare for his land and country. Instead they want injustice and corruption and oppression to remain on earth by the domination of the people of falsehood over this earth and by the continuation of the state of the tyrant.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allah -The Yamani, pg26)

Jihad whether Offensive or Defensive should be for the sake of raising...

So the purpose of Jihad is to uphold the word of Allah and not for personal interests or spoils of war or nationalism. For truly the Divine Religion is above all these considerations and worshipping Allah and being obedient to Him is that which gathers the Believers regardless of their tribal or national affiliations that all go back to one reality and that is the ego and love of self.

Therefore, the Jihad, whether offensive or defensive, should be for the sake of raising the word of Allah and not for the sake of defending the country or the land. It is in order that the Believer does not have any personal interest in the Jihad except for upholding the word of Allah so that the Divine civilization, Divine Culture and Divine Freedom may be built. And this is contrary to the civilization and culture of freedom for which the slogan is raised in the physical world today.

So what is being raised today is the banner of satan that the soldiers of satan from among mankind and jinn pursue with all their abilities.

The truth is that the soldiers of satan have declared war on the soldiers of Allah and on the Divine culture that is based on the presence of the Successor of Allah on His earth.

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~ The Yamani, pg 30)

Allah wants to show...

Allah wants to show the right of the Prophets and their Followers.
And when they are few and weak Allah grants them victory against
His enemy and their enemy, who are many and arrogant.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~The Yamani, pg 23)

The Example of David

In many times and places the believing party, the few in number and equipment defeat the disbelieving party, the many in number and strong in equipment.

David and his stones achieved victory in battle. Not any of the people, not even the Believers paid attention to David. He was young in age and his stones were his weapons in this battle.

But Allah spoke by David and the stones of David, for He wanted to say by this sign:

“There is no Power except by Allah”.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allah -The Yamani, pg22)

About the development of the Spiritual and
Physical Worlds
of
Individuals & Communities

On the Spiritual World and the Decline of the Physical World

Qur'an demonstrates for us the relationship between the physical material development and the spiritual accomplishment.

The material richness and the material development calls to the oppression of man and to being spiritually degraded. Certainly this is observed nowadays in the mortal life on this earth. As the earth has never known corruption, spoilage, injustice and tyranny similar to how it is today.

Perhaps some people fade. They are the ones who become closely acquainted with this material world and they perceive that the accomplishment is within the material development.

Although if they paid attention, they would find this physical material world is progressing towards termination. And that mankind is also in continuous termination as everyday some people die and others come to life. One day shall come in which everyone dies and none shall come to life in their place.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~ The Yamani, pg48)

The Spirit is Lasting

The spirit inside the physical is lasting and its fate is to be either eternally in Paradise or in Hell. So people should pay attention to the reality that they came to this bodily material world to go through the realm of an examination and not to remain in it forever.

And the fate of this entire physical material world is termination and extinction.

And when Allah the Almighty makes those who He wishes to believe and be devout, suffer from shortage in fruits and blessings He is being Merciful towards them. This is because He is prompting them towards belief and devoutness. As weakness and poverty calls one to turn to Allah.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~ The Yamani, pg49)

Material Success in this Life

The striving and activity of one should be towards spiritual accomplishment and true belief.

As for material development, people also seek it as an obedient act to Allah for achieving the will of Allah on this earth... for spreading monotheism, mercy and justice.

And for the material development of the disbelievers, then indeed, let not the Believers assume it is a Divine success or a blessing for them. Rather it is harmful for them because it is a reason for their persistence in oppression and arrogance.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~ The Yamani, pg 50)

The Moral Civilized Development is...

The fact is that the moral civilized development is the system of the Prophets and it is what they were brought with from Allah, the Glorified, the Almighty. So everything that exists in humanity of gracious morals is not but overflow from those Divine morals that the Prophets and Guardians came with.

Indeed the origin and essence of the gracious morals are from the Prophets' teachings. And moral development is the true standard for the development of the nations. And there is no value to the material development of a civilization, no matter how big it is, if it is not accompanied by the moral development of the civilization.

In spite of the clarity and simplicity of this reality, it wasn't discerned by most of the people.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~ The Yamani, pg 51)

The only thing that truly unites people is...

Certainly it is obvious within the three monotheistic religions that the law is set by Allah and the ruler is appointed by Allah.

And the texts indicating this are abundant in the Torah, Bible and Qur'an. And the law in this age is the Qur'an, the Bible and the Torah and the ruler is the Mahdi, Jesus and Elijah, Peace be upon them.

Therefore the Divine Books are sent down only from the One and the Prophets and Imams are all one and sent from the One.

I say if people asked themselves this question and answered with this clear answer, then their word would unite on monotheism and they would worship Allah, the Glorified, the Almighty and they would ratify His Representative on His land, the Almighty's law.

And there is nothing that truly unites all the people of earth except the Divine law and the Divine Ruler as they unite the people of earth with Truth, Justice and Mercy.

So, it is necessary for Believers to make Jihad to establish the Divine Law and the Divine Ruler and the Representative of Allah on His land. This is done in order to fill the earth with equity, justice, gracious morals and a moral civilization, the same ways as it is filled today with injustice and corruption.

(pg 1 of 2 ~ The only thing that truly unites people is...)

But what is happening today is that the soldiers of the shaytan, the curse of Allah upon him, are fighting to establish the supremacy of the shaytan and raising up the shaytan.

So why aren't the soldiers of Allah fighting to establish the Supremacy of Allah, the Almighty and the Divine morals?

And the situation is that fighting and performing Jihad against the shaytan is a defense of the moral civilization of the Prophets and Messengers. And this is in return for the attack waged by the shaytan and his soldiers, the holders of the material civilization to eradicate the Divine morals.

In fact there is no neutrality. Either you support Allah and ratify His Supremacy or you fight on the side of the shaytan for his supremacy, the curse of Allah be upon him.

The Yamani

(pg 2 of 2 ~The only thing that unites people is...)

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~ The Yamani, pg 52)

Worship that brings one closer to Allah

Because we worship in order to know, there is no good in worship that doesn't bring the worshipper closer to Allah that subsequently increases their Knowledge of Allah, the Almighty. In other words, humankind is created for spiritual accomplishment and also to rise to the highest possible rank from this accomplishment.

So what is important and should be observed is the spirit and not the body that is connected to this physical material world.

Therefore in this way, the person becomes the viceroy of Allah the Almighty. Meaning that if they accomplish spiritually, and they become a picture of Allah the Almighty among His creatures, then they become a true ambassador of Allah.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~ The Yamani, pg 48)

The Goal & Purpose of Shaytan is...

The goal of the shaytan and his purpose is to lead people into the abyss of hell and to disgrace them in front of the Lord of the Worlds when they disobey the Creator, the Most Merciful, the Most Kind. So to achieve this goal the shaytan must use a weapon to implement what he wants to accomplish

These weapons range from the apparent to the hidden, from the weak to the powerful and the choice of weapons all depends on the situation.

And there is an appropriate weapon by which every type of person can be misled.

Shaytan, the curse of Allah upon him, chooses from a complex combination, the weapon that is effective in misleading every type of human being.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allah... ~ The Yamani, pg 6)

Allah supported the Prophets & Representatives with...

Allah, The Glorious, the Almighty by the vastness of His Mercy, has supported the Prophets and Representatives with many signs. From among them were Miracles and Visions that were witnessed by the Believers and other than the Believers.

So the people know that the Miracle of Moses was the staff that turned into a snake and it was during a time when magic was widespread. And the Miracle of Jesus was healing the sick during a time when the practice of medicine was widespread. And the Miracle of Mohamamad was the Qur'an during a time when eloquence was widespread.

And those who are ignorant of the Truth justify the reason as to why the miracle was similar to what was widespread during that time was to outperform the magicians, physicians and eloquent rhetoricians. But the Truth that is hidden from people although it is mentioned in the Qur'an, is that the physical perceptible miracle came as it did to cause confusion to those who do not know except the visible or physical. And Allah the Glorious does not accept the faith in the perceptible and visible, rather it must be faith in the unseen.

So faith in the unseen is what is required and that which is desired by Allah the Glorious and the Miracles that are sent by Allah the Glorious must leave an area for faith in the unseen. For this reason, it contains within it that which causes confusion and uncertainty.

And for this, the people who do not believe except with visible or physical proof and do not know found the confusion and uncertainty an excuse for their error.

The Yamani

(Struggle in the Way of Allah ~ Sayyed Ahmad al Hassan, pg44)

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Selections from 'The Sermon of Friday'

The Yamani

March 21, 2008/1429

The Meaning of Loving the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny

‘When we see someone claim to be Muslim and say they believe in the Qur’an and read from the Qur’an:

‘Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

“That is of which Allah gives the good news to His servants, to those who believe and do good deeds. Say: (O Mohammad) ‘I do not ask of you any reward for it but love for my near relatives’ and whoever earns good, We will give them more of to do therein. Surely Allah is Forgiving, Grateful”.

Qur’an 42:23~The Counsel/al Shura

In these times it is not hard for anyone to research and investigate the historical incidents and extrapolate the Truth from them. So why then do they love and appoint those who fought Mohammad and the ones closest to Mohammad and those who Allah commanded us to love?

And they make great efforts to obliterate their Path and demolish the shrines of the “Near Relatives” and hate and envy them to the fullest extent. And they do this for no reason except the love of those who actually killed them and the ones who underestimated their sanctity.

And is there any disregard for the Qur’an greater than preferring others over the Prophet’s near relatives or equating them with others or to love those who took them as enemies?

(pg 1 of 2 ~the Meaning of Loving the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny)

And how can anyone express their hatred for them in a greater way than to take no heed of their Path and demolish their shrines?

O people, how is that people?

How do you judge and decide while Allah made the reward of the Message nothing but love for them?

And it is not enough to love but one must also attend to and submit to and accept their words. And to do so must be with the understanding that Allah asked all Muslims to love the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny and that accepting their words is the real meaning of loving them. And one must understand that love and submission to them is because they are the Proofs (Hujjat) of Allah on His creation and their Imams...'

The Yamani

(pg 2 of 2 ~the Meaning of Loving the Prophet Mohammad and his Progeny)

(The Sermon of Friday ~ The Yamani, pg 2)

And reflect on my words...

I came to be a witness for the Truth and to reveal it.

I did not come to have people follow me.

My goal is to reveal the Truth and distinguish it from falsehood and that is why I am saying to everyone not to expect just kind words from me.

It is impossible for any of us to leave anything related to the Truth or even to look the other way when they see anything related to falsehood just for the satisfaction of the people.'

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Friday ~ The Yamani, pg 3)

Excerpts from

'The Enlightening Answer
Across the Ethers'

Part Five

Some answers from the Yamani

1431/2011

About the Similarities and Differences of Allah's Special Preferred Ones

As part of a longer question it was asked regarding the meaning of the following verse of Qur'an:

“Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

And it is He who sends down rain from the sky and We produce thereby the growth of all things. We bring forth from it greenery from which We produce grain arranged in layers. And from the palm tree clusters of its emerging fruit hanging low: And gardens of grapes and olives and pomegranates ~similar yet varied. Look at each of its fruit when it yields it and when it ripens.

Indeed in that are signs for a people who believe.”

Qur'an 6:99 ~ The Cattle/Anam

The Yamani said:

'All praise be to Allah, Lord of the Worlds. O Allah! Bless Mohammad and the Household of Mohammad, the Imams and Mahdis.

If you examine the leaves and twigs of the olive tree and the pomegranate trees you will find among them similarities. However the fruits of the two are not exactly alike.

In this way Allah reveals by His Special Preferred Ones, Knowledge that His servants may benefit from. So even

though the Special Preferred Ones of Allah have similarities among them, the specific Knowledge and the fruits that Allah reveals through them are not exactly the same.

For example, one finds that Allah revealed supplications on the tongue of Zayn al Abideen the son of Hussain but revealed His jurisprudence on the tongue of Sadiq Ja'far, son of Mohammad.

Peace be on you and the Mercy of Allah and His Blessings.

The Yamani

(pg 2 of 2 ~About the similarities and Differences of Allah's Special and Preferred Ones)

(The Enlightening Answer Across the Ether ~The Yamani, part 5, pg 25)

About the Face of Allah

A question was asked about the meaning of the following tradition.

Imam Sadiq said:

‘Indeed Allah is far too great and Noble to be known by His creation ~ rather the creation knows by Allah.’

The Yamani replied:

“Allah makes Himself known through His creation and it is not that His creation makes Him known. This is the meaning of the tradition.

Meaning that if we say that Allah is known through His Proofs (Hujjat) and the Proofs of Allah are the ones who make Allah known. **The meaning here is that Allah made Himself known to the rest of the creation through the Proofs ~ but not that they made Him known.**

Consequently they are the face of Allah with which He faced His creation. This means that He is the one Who faced His creation with them in order that He may be known ~ not that they, from their selves or by their selves, make Allah known.

So the reality of the matter is that they do not have anything for themselves in this matter. **For He, the Glorious wanted to be known so He created His Proofs and He made Himself known by them.”**

The Yamani

(The Enlightening Answer Across the Ether ~ The Yamani, part 5, pg 28)

Selections from the 'Sermon of the Month of Muharram'

2011/1432 Hijri

The Work of the Clerics of Misguidance will be...

“Bismilla hīrr Rahman nīr Raheem

We never sent any Messengers before you but most surely they ate food and walked in the markets and we have made some of you as a test for others.

Will you bear patiently? And your Lord is All Seeing.

And those who do not look for a meeting with Us say: ‘Why are angels not sent down to us and why do we not see our Lord?’ Truly they think too highly of themselves and are proud of themselves. And have revolted in a great revolt.

On the day when they will see the angels, on that day there will be no good tidings for the criminals and they will say ‘It is a forbidden thing totally prohibited’.”

And we will turn the work they did and make it scattered dust”

Qur'an 25:20-23 ~TaHa

Unfortunately that will be the result for many of the clerics of misguidance in the Hereafter. They will find their work to be as scattered dust because it lacks sincerity. They will find their fields barren and their harvest made hollow by the termites of their own ideas ~the ideas they confronted the Prophets and Messengers with.'

The Yamani

(The Sermon of the Month of Muharram ~ The Yamani – pg 1)

Allah refers to the Clerics of Misguidance as...

Who else is first to confront the Divine Calls of the Prophets and Successors other than the religious clerics?

Allah refers to these clerics in the Qur'an as 'chieftans' or 'masters', while the misguided community usually categorizes them as the specialists and the most competent ones in making a diagnosis.

The society therefore relies on such people to recognize the validity or invalidity of new religious calls that are brought by the Prophets and the Successors.

Unfortunately individuals accept their judgment without Knowledge, thought or research. And also they do it without even seeing that these 'chieftans' or 'masters' or clerics of misguidance are the ones most damaged by the Divine Reformation Calls of the Prophets and Messengers and by their major revolutions.

How is it that people neither take notice or pay attention or at the very least direct themselves to conducting research instead of blindly following and imitating the Clerics of Misguidance? How is it that they repeatedly fall into the same mistake suffering the same consequence?

“And they say ‘Our Lord certainly we obeyed our masters and great men and they misled us from the Way’”

Qur'an 33:67 ~The Allies/Ahzab

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Muharram ~ The Yamani, pg 2)

What is the matter with people that they neither take notice or learn...

Those clerics of misguidance who the Qur'an refers to as 'masters' or 'chieftans' never change the phrases they confront the Prophets and Successors with. Allah has even said:

"Is this legacy they have passed down one to another? Rather, they are themselves a people transgressing beyond bounds"

Qur'an 51:53 ~ The Scatterers/Zariyat

What is the matter with people that they neither take notice or learn from past experience to escape these clerics and free themselves from their webs? In this verse Allah wants to direct the individuals attention to the Truth, which is that the method of the clerics of misguidance in opposing the calls of the Prophets and Successors never changes. So do not follow nor imitate them blindly.

Examine the history of past nations and how they were led astray by the deviant clerics. These clerics lead the nations into fighting the Prophets and Successors while the people of these nations falsely believed themselves to be doing good....

Their work became scattered dust because it lacks sincerity. They are arrogant and have been infected with the disease of Iblis.

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Muharram ~ The Yamani, pg 3)

Carrying on the Banner of the Supremacy of Allah

What did Hussein present in Karbala to prove himself to be the Representative of Allah in His land? O people! Have you asked yourselves this question before you blindly follow the clerics of misguidance with no consideration or questioning?

What did Hussein present in Karbala?

He presented the Will of Mohammad the Messenger of Allah that is with his father Ali, his brother Hassan, himself and his sons. He exhibited his Knowledge and presented the Banner of the Supremacy of Allah that he alone carried in opposition to the banner of the supremacy of people. That banner was carried by the opposing side that fought his grandfather, his father and his brother before.

What else did Hussein present? He presented the visions of his Holy Family and his companions and their revelations. He presented the vision of Wahab al Nasrani who saw Jesus urging him to follow and support Hussein. He presented the revelation of Horr al Reyahi who heard a voice promising him Paradise as he departed Kufa.

Oh people! What have we brought to you today? Have we brought you an invented doctrine that wasn't brought by the Prophets, the Successors, the Messenger of Allah Mohammad, and Ali, Hassan, Hussein or the Imams from the offspring of Hussein?

“Say: I do not follow anything but that which is revealed to me.”

Qur'an 46:9 ~The Sandhills/Aqhaf

(pg 1 of 2 ~ Carrying on the Banner of the Supremacy of Allah)

Or have we brought what they brought? We have come to you with their proofs, proofs as clear as the sun for whoever is requesting to know the Truth.

Is the Will of the Prophet Mohammad that is the preserved treasure of Mohammad and his Progeny to the Man of Truth, the Yamani and the Qa'im, of the Progeny of Mohammad not enough?

Is the Knowledge or Wisdom not enough? Isn't it enough that he is the only one among all the people on earth raising the Banner of the Supremacy of Allah?

After the clerics of misguidance approved the banner of the supremacy of people and abandoned the Banner of the Supremacy of Allah there was no one left to raise the Banner of the Supremacy of Allah other than the Man of Truth.

This individuality removes any doubt or suspicion for the one who is seeking the Truth as the earth is never free of Truth and Truth lies in the Supremacy of Allah.

Oh people! Could it be that you handed leadership over to satanic monsters such that when they mock and belittle visions and revelations, calling them dreams, you follow them without paying attention to the fact that the revelations and the visions are the words and inspiration of Allah to His worshippers?

...Has Allah not offered Himself as a witness to make obvious His Successors on this earth with visions and revelations that are both pathways of Divine Inspiration?'

The Yamani

(pg 2 of 2 ~ Carrying on the Banner of the Supremacy of Allah)

([The Sermon of Muharram](#) ~ The Yamani, pg 11)

Do not be fooled by the Clerics of Misguidance

'O people! Do not be fooled by the clerics of misguidance and their assistants. Read, research, explore, learn and know the Truth by yourselves. Do not lean on anyone to decide your Hereafter so tomorrow you will regret when regretting will be of no use to you.

“And they say, ‘Our Lord clearly we obeyed our chieftains and great men and they misled us from the Way’”

Qur'an 33:67 ~ The Allies/Ahzab

This is my advice to you, and I swear by Allah that it's the advice of a man with Sympathy and Mercy over you so ponder my advice and distinguish the Shepherd from the wolves.

Think and recognize which path and approach belonged to Hussein and which path and approach belonged to his enemies.'

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Muharram ~ The Yamani, pg 15)

Hussein was on the Path of the Supremacy of Allah

‘Those who fought Hussein were on the path of the supremacy of people and have acknowledged it. **As for Hussein, he was on the Divine Path of the Supremacy of Allah despite its few followers.**

It is unfortunate today that we find people misguided to the extent that they support and march on the path of the murders Hussein and then pretend to be the Shia of Hussein.

They visit him reviving rituals that are superficial and worthless and are drained of their true goal and purpose. The true goal and purpose is reviving the matter that Hussein rebelled for, the Supremacy of Allah.’

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Muharram ~ The Yamani, pg 15)

The Extent of the Matter of the Clerics of Misguidance

It is a rather painful matter for the clerics of misguidance today to succeed in deviating people's awareness. They do it to such an extent that those people who are made into ignorant misguided followers are carrying the flag of the supremacy of people while they visit Hussein. **Hussein was slaughtered for contradicting the supremacy of people and establishing the Supremacy of Allah.**

Could a person deviate to such an extent that they would throw the Banner of the assassinated Hussein to the ground and then pick up and carry the banner of the assassin (yazid) right to the shrine of the assassinated to pray for him and to curse the assassin?'

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Muharram ~ The Yamani, pg 15)

The Rejectors of the Supremacy of People

Actually, Hussein in his confrontation in which he was martyred was able to achieve so much for the Supremacy of Allah. The holy blood of Hussein was able to maintain and establish the true Islamic nation ~ the Hussein Mohammedi Nation that believes in the Supremacy of Allah and disbelieves in the supremacy of people.

They have been called at all times the rejectors (rafidha) because they rejected the supremacy of people.

For more than one thousand years this blessed nation bore suffering from the tyrants for carrying the Banner of the Supremacy of Allah. **Unfortunately today Iblis was able, through the clerics of misguidance, to lead astray the offspring of this nation away from the religion of their ancestors and those righteous people who were their predecessors, those who used to acknowledge the Supremacy of Allah.'**

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Muharram ~ The Yamani, pg 17)

The Ongoing Battle of the Two Banners

The disaster we are in today is that the cause of Hussein has been hijacked specifically by those carrying the banner of the murders of Hussein. **And today the spokespeople for Hussein have become his murders and the bearers of the banner that fought Hussein over one thousand years ago.**

And Hussein was killed fighting it and revealing its invalidity and the invalidity of those who founded it. It is the same banner that Ali fought against. The banner that marginalized Ali and made him incapacitated in his home for nearly 25 years.

It is the banner that Mohammad was fighting and the one that all the prior Prophets and Successors fought against. It is the banner of the supremacy of people. It is the banner of "I" or "We" and the banner of the Saqifah* and of democracy ~ the banner of elections of what the people desire.

It is the banner that always opposes what He wants. The Banner of the Supremacy of Allah and allegiance to Allah was and is the Banner carried by the Prophets and Successors, and it will be carried by them until the Day of Judgment.'

The Yamani

(*Saqifah – when some companions gathered at the time of the death of Mohammad to choose a leader of their own choice other than what Allah had chosen)

(The Sermon of Muharram ~ The Yamani, pg 18)

Supplications from
'The Sermon of Forgiveness'
&
'The Sermon of Hajj'

Supplication from the Sermon of Forgiveness

O Believers! The Peace and Mercy of Allah be upon you.

And His Greetings and His Blessings be upon those who are steadfast at times of affliction and difficulties.

And peace be upon the supporters of Allah, rightfully and truly. Those who confirmed what they vowed to Allah, so Allah confirmed their vow. May He grant them residence in the high levels with His Prophets and Messengers.

Peace be upon you, the ones who crossed to the Hereafter in safety and peace and in the security of the religion that Allah loves and by which Allah is satisfied.

I ask Allah to intercede for you in our matter and pray for us. We poor people who remain stagnant in this dark world so that our passage, on the day of passage, which is written for us, is to the Light into which you have crossed.

O Allah! Support us and use us for the support of Your religion by Your favor and grace and by Your giving initiative.

“Bismilla hirr Rahman nir Raheem

When there comes the help of Allah and the victory and you see the people entering into the religion of Allah in multitudes.

Then celebrate with the praise of your Lord and ask forgiveness of Him.

Surely, He is oft-returning to Mercy”

(Qur'an 110 ~ The Help/Nasr)

The Yamani

(The Sermon of Forgiveness~ The Yamani, pg 4)

Supplication from the Sermon of Hajj

Praise be to Allah only, only, only.

O Lord! Praise and Grace is to You, O Lord.

I used not to know about the Book or the Belief but then you informed me.

O Lord! I was misled and You guided me.

O Lord! I was lost and You led me.

O Lord! I was ill and You cured me.

O Lord! I was bare and You covered me.

O Lord! I was hungry and You fed me.

O Lord! I was thirsty and You gave me water.

O Lord! I was poor and You enriched me.

O Lord! I was an orphan and You lodged me so I have no power to thank You because nothing good has come to me except from You.

No one repelled misdeeds from me but You. So the praise is for You and the generosity of your face, and the brightness of your loftiness.

O Lord ! Send blessings on Mohammad and Mohammad's Progeny and open the ears of my heart to Your remembrance so that I may comprehend your Revelation and follow Your order and avoid what You forbid.

O Lord! Send blessings on Mohammad and his Progeny and do not turn your face away from me and do not separate me from Your Grace and do not deprive me of your forgiveness.

(Supplication from the 'Sermon of Hajj' pg 1 of 2)

Make me support those who support You and fight those who are your enemies.

Grant me the fear of You.

Make me desire You and the acceptance of Your matter and belief in your Book and the following of the Way of your Prophet.

O Lord! Make my walk be in shedding tears and my silence be in thinking and my speech in Your remembrance and forgive my great sins.

And unite me with my Virtuous Fathers.

All praise is to You in the beginning and in the end, implicitly and explicitly.

O Lord! And send my regards to Your supported, advocated and directed one, the Summoner, the Reviver, Mohammad the Messenger.

And I apologize and ask forgiveness and repent to You and him for my negligence in acknowledging the Message from Your Supporter and his aggrieved son, Mohammad ibn al Hassan, Your blessings be upon him and upon his Pure Fathers.

And peace be upon the Believers of the men and women in the east and west of the earth and the Mercy of Allah and His blessings.

The Yamani

(Supplication from the 'Sermon of Hajj' pg 2 of 2)

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