

The Fitna of the Dajaal: The Deceit of the Dajaal



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There is no fitna that we have been warned against more than the Fitna of the Dajaal. It will be such that many people, Muslims included, will fall prey to it. So you need to be on your guard against this.

The Deceit of the Dajaal

The Dajaal is the great deceiver.

Hudhayfah ibn Al-Yamaan (ra) narrated that the Prophet (ﷺ) said, “He will have with him a garden and a fire but his fire will be a garden and his garden will be fire.” [Muslim]

The Prophet (ﷺ) said, “I know what the Dajaal will have with him. He will have two flowing rivers, one that appears to the eye to be clear water and one which appears to the eye to be flaming fire. If anyone sees that, let him go to the river which he thinks is fire.” [Muslim]

Al-Nawwaas ibn Sam’aan (ra) narrated that the Prophet (ﷺ) said, “He will come to a people and call them, and they will believe in him. Then he will command the sky and it will rain, and

he will command the earth and it will bring forth produce. Their herds will come back to them in the evening with their humps as high as they ever were and their udders full and their flanks stretched. Then he will come to another people and call them, and they will reject what he says, so he will leave them and they will be afflicted with drought (which will destroy their land and crops). He will pass by ruins and say, 'Bring forth your treasure', and its treasure will follow him like a swarm of bees." [Muslim]

In another hadith: The Dajjal will say to a Bedouin, "What do you think if I resurrect your father and mother for you, will you bear witness that I am your Lord?" He will say "yes." Then two devils will appear to him in the forms of his father and mother and will say, "O my son, follow him, for he is your Lord." [Ibn-Maajah and Al-Haakim]

In another hadith: The Dajjal will call a youthful man and sever him in two. Then the Dajjal will say to the people, "Look at this slave of mine, I shall resurrect him, and he will claim that he has a Lord other than me." The Dajjal will then command him to rise, alive, and he will get up; [he] will have been given life by Allah and not the Dajjal, but the Dajjal will think that he brought him back to life and placed the two [severed] halves back together again. Then the evil one will say, "Who is your Lord?" He [the man] will say, "My Lord is Allah and you are the enemy of Allah; you are the Dajjal."

In another narration:

The Dajjal will emerge and a man from among the believers will go towards him and he will be met by armed men, who are the bodyguards and supporters of the Dajjal. They will say to him, "Where are you going?" He will say, "I am going to this one who has emerged." They will say to him, "Don't you believe in our lord?" He will say, "There is nothing hidden about our Lord. They will say, "Kill him," They will say to one another, "Didn't your lord forbid you to kill anyone without his consent?" So they will take him to the Dajjal and when the believer sees him, he will say, "People, this is Al-Maseeh Ad-Dajjal, whom the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) mentioned." The Dajjal will order that he be made to lie spread-eagled on the ground. He [the Dajjal] will say, "Take him and strike him on the head," and he will be beaten severely on his stomach and back. Then he will say, "Do you not believe in me?" He will say, "You are the false messiah." Then it will be ordered that he be cut in two with a saw, from the middle of his head to between his legs. Then the Dajjal will walk between the two pieces and will say to him, "Get up," and he will stand up straight. Then the Dajjal will say to him, "Do you believe in me?" He will say, "It has only made me more certain about you." The believer will then say, "People, he will not do it to anyone after me." Then the Dajjal will take hold of him and slaughter him, but the area between his neck and collar bone will be turned into copper and he will not be able to harm him. Then he will take hold of his hands and feet and throw him, and the people will think that he threw him unto Hell but he will be thrown into Paradise. The Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, "This will be the greatest of martyrs before the Lord of the Worlds." [Muslim]

Protection against Dajjal

The Prophet (ﷺ) has ordered us to run away from the Dajjal, not to confront him, and to memorize the first or last 10 verses of Surat Al-Kahf, or to live in either Makkah or Madeenah (as the Dajjal cannot enter these two places).