

## The Fitna of the Dajaal: The Followers 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 Followers of the Dajaal

There will be many followers of the Dajaal, including weak and misguided Muslims, disbelievers and hypocrites.

Abu Bakr (ra) narrated that the Prophet (ﷺ) said, “The Dajaal will emerge from a land in the East called Khorasan and he will be followed by people with faces like hammered shields.”  
[Ahmad, Tirmidhi, Ibn-Maajah, Al-Haakim]

Khorasan is a large city which is in Iran.



The Prophet (ﷺ) said, “The Dajjal will camp in the salt marshes and most of those who go out to him will be women; a man will go to his relatives, to his mother, daughter, sister, and paternal aunt, and tie them up for fear that they will go out to him.”

Anas ibn Malik narrated that the Prophet (ﷺ) said, “Seventy thousand jews of Isfahan will follow the Dajjal, wearing shawl-like garments.” [Muslim]

Isfahan is a city in central Iran, approximately 340km south of Tehran. According to official sources it has 25-30,000 jewish inhabitants.

Abu Hurayrah (ra) narrated that the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, “The Dajjal will camp at Khooz [western Iran] and Kirmaan [a region in south-east Iran] with 70,000 [people] whose faces are like hammered shields.”

Anas ibn Malik (ra) narrated that the Prophet (ﷺ) said, “No part of the earth will be left except that the Dajjal will enter and prevail over it, except for Makkah and Madinah. All the roads leading to them will have an angel standing guard on it. He [the Dajjal] will camp in the salt marsh and Madinah will be shaken with its people three times, and every disbeliever or hypocrite will come out of it.” [agreed upon]

Abu Dharr (ra) narrated that the Prophet (ﷺ) said. “Apart from the Dajjal, what I fear most for my Ummah is misguided leaders.” [Ahmad]

## **Protection against Dajaal**

The Prophet (ﷺ) has ordered us to run away from the Dajaal, 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 Dajaal cannot enter these two places).