AQAA`ID RELATED TO THE SIGNS OF QIYAAMAH

It is ¹**confirmed** in the Qur`aan Majeed, the Ahaadith, in the Shariah of all the Nabis, according to the ²**consensus** of all the Sahaabah, Taabi`een and Ulama of the past, that this world will one day be ³**terminated** and will come to an end by the blowing of the ⁴**Trumpet** by Hadhrat Israfeel (alaihi salaam). The mere blowing of this Trumpet will rent the world and skies asunder. After a period of forty years again this Trumpet will be blown and every person will come back into ⁵**existence**

The first blowing is known as Nafkha-e-Amaatat. (blowing of death), and the second blowing is known as Nafkha-a-Ahyaa. (blowing of life).

This ⁶disintegration of all life at the first blowing of the Trumpet and then for all to be once again given life and ⁷gathered is known as >Qiyaamah=. The reason for this second giving of life is so that those who were guided by the teachings of the Nabis, will be rewarded and ⁸recompensed. And so that those who ⁹ignored these teachings, may be punished. And also so that the ¹⁰oppressed may get >¹¹revenge= from the ¹²oppressors.

When a person wants to present a case in a court, then one may get this opportunity to do so in two to four months time (in other words it will be done after a while at a ¹³**specified** time). Qiyaamah is the time specified for the ¹⁴**entire** creation to present their case in Allaah Ta`ala=s Court.

Understand this well and prepare yourself!

¹ -Sabet hona

²- itefaak

³ -Khatam kr deya

⁴ -Surr, begul

⁵ -Hasti, wajood

⁶ -Ajza ka alag ho jana, inteshar

⁷ -Ikatthay krna

⁸ -Ajar dena, talafe krna

⁹ -Nazar andaz krna

¹⁰ Sataya huway

¹¹ Intekaam lena

¹² zaalam

¹³ makhsoos

¹⁴ Kamel, tamaam

That All-Knowing, Most Powerful Allaah Ta`ala, Who in His All-Encompassing Knowledge and Complete Power is able to ¹⁵**sustain** and ¹⁶**feed** the entire universe=s creations, the humans, animals, fish, ants, etc., etc., at one time, without an iota of error, can surely bring the entire creation to give ¹⁷**reckoning** at one and the same time, without any ¹⁸**flaw**.

For The Most Powerful Creator to bring everyone to reckoning at the same is not as difficult as it may be to create all of them (even their creation is no effort for Allaah Ta`ala!). The only difference is that all the creation of Allaah Ta`ala is before our eyes and can be seen; hence none can ¹⁹**deny** their existence. But, the Day of Qiyaamah, is hidden from our sight, therefore the ²⁰**atheists**, etc. deny its occurrence.

It is not a sign of intelligence that one has to (forcefully) accept whatever one hears about and then sees it, and to reject what one cannot see. It is the way of the ²¹**ignorant** to deny the existence of whatever the eye cannot see.

The Qur`aan and Hadith are full of signs and warnings of this occurrence, and to bring faith in this is Fardh. Allaah Ta`ala has not informed anyone of the exact time of the Day of Qiyaamah, but He has, however, told us through the Nabis about the signs of its ²²**imminence**.

Rasulullaah (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam), the ²³**seal** of all Nabis, has informed us and prophesied through Wahi (Divine revelation), the many events that are to occur just ²⁴**prior** to Qiyaamah. He has warned and informed the Ummah totally, ²⁵**regarding** the signs of Qiyaamah. There are two types of signs to Qiyaamah; the minor signs and the major signs.

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¹⁵ Sahara dena

¹⁶ Paalna posna

¹⁷ Hesaab, shumaar

¹⁸ Qasur, eaab

¹⁹ Inkaar krna

²⁰ Laa-mazhab, kafer

²¹ Bey ilm, jahil

²² Qareeb-ul-waku cheez

²³ Mohar band karna

²⁴ Mohtamem khanka, dosray darjay ka odhaydar

²⁵ Mutawaja hona

THE MINOR SIGNS

The minor signs of Qiyaamah are those which began from the time of the ²⁶**demise** of Rasulullaah (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam) and will ²⁷**terminate** with the birth of Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam).

MAJOR SIGNS

The major signs of Qiyaamah are those that will begin from the ²⁸**emergence** of Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) and end with the blowing of the Trumpet.

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE MINOR SIGNS OF QIYAAMAH

The first minor sign of Qiyaamah was the birth and the demise of Rasulullaah (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam). It is for this reason that the title given to Nabi (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam) in the previous Kitaabs was Nabi-us-Saa`at. (The Nabi of The Final Hour). The Final Hour will ²⁹**transpire** upon this Ummat. The next sign of Qiyaamah was that many people turned to kufr after the demise of Rasulullaah (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam). This was ³⁰**foretold** in the Qur`aan Majeed.

This ³¹**prophesy** was ³²**realised** immediately after the demise of Rasulullaah (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam), when many people turned back to ³³**idol**-worship and some started following the false Nabis, like Musailimah Kazzaab. The Sahaabah acted ³⁴ **swiftly** on these Murtads and killed most of them. The other sign was the ³⁵**conquest** of Baitul Muqaddis, which was done during the reign of Hadhrat Umar (radhiAllaahu anhu). Then was the ³⁶**discord** and disunity amongst the Ummat, which occurred during the times of Hadhrat Uthmaan and Ali (radhiAllaahu anhuma). Like these there are many other signs of Qiyaamah that are prophesied in the Ahaadith. Amongst these are:

²⁶ Intekaal, rohlat

²⁷ Khatam krna, tamam krna

²⁸ Zaher hona

²⁹ Wakeya hona, malum hona

³⁰ Paish goi ke, wakth bta deya

³¹ Paesh goe krna, ghab ke batain batana

³² Kar dala

³³ bott

³⁴ Chalaki say, phurti say

³⁵ fatah

³⁶ Na itefaki, na chaki

- . Knowledge will be raised and ³⁷ignorance will become ³⁸widespread.
- . ³⁹**Adultery** and alcohol abuse will become widespread.
- . People will⁴⁰ **indulge** in ⁴¹**copulation** on the side-streets and they will fulfill their desires like animals do.
- . The population of women will increase and that of men will decrease, so much so that there will be 50 women to one man.
- . Music, musical instruments and singing women will become ⁴²rampant.
- .43 **Falsehood** will spread.
- . People will begin disobeying their mothers and obeying their wives.
- . People will bring their friends close to them and 44 **shove** away their fathers. They will have 45 **affection** for their 46 **compatriots** and 47 **abhorrence** for their fathers.
- . People in power will regard the property of the people as their own.
- . Abuse of Amaanat (trust) will become rampant.
- . Ignorant and unworthy people will become leaders.
- . People of low status and faasiqs(evil doers) will become the leaders of their tribes.

³⁸ Dur tak pahla huwa

³⁹ Badkari, zeena

⁴⁰ Adaat dalna

41 sohbat

42 Kaseer, shadeed

⁴³ Ghoot, baemani

⁴⁴ Sarkana,dur krna

45 Ulfat muhabat

⁴⁶ Hum watan

⁴⁷ Nafrat, krahat

³⁷ Na dani, ahmak

- . ⁴⁸**Modesty** and shame will become non-existent.
- ⁴⁹Oppression and ⁵⁰tyranny will become ⁵¹rampant, etc., etc.

Like these there are also many other signs of Qiyaamah, that are reported in the Ahaadith Shareef. They are all true and will occur. Most of them have already become apparent, and will do so as time goes on. We will now discuss the major signs of Qiyaamah, that will take place very close to the onset of Qiyaamah.

DISCUSSION ON THE MAJOR SIGNS OF QIYAAMAH

We will now discuss those major signs of Qiyaamah that Rasulullaah (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam) had said will take place just prior to Qiyaamah, like Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam), the coming of dajjaal, the descending of Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam), Yajooj and Majooj, etc., etc. All these are known as >Asraat-e-Saa`a= (signs of the Final Hour). All these signs are the truth and it is necessary that we believe them. The atheists and non-believers, when they hear of these signs, then they either ⁵²**refute** them ⁵³**outright** or they present such ⁵⁴**interpretations** and misrepresentations that the import and object is lost. They change the meaning and way the Sahaabah had understood it. Even if they believe in Imaam Mahdi, then they do so in a way that differs to what the Sahaabah has understood it. Remember well! All these signs are to be understood and accepted in the way taught by the Sahaabah and understood by the ⁵⁵**pious** predecessors.

1. APPEARANCE OF IMAAM MAHDI (ALAIHI SALAAM)

The first major sign of the signs of Qiyaamah is the appearance of Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam). >Mahdi= is the title to one who guides. According to the dictionary meaning, every alim who ⁵⁶**possesses** the correct and true knowledge is called a >Mahdi=, in fact every true and complete Muslim is a >Mahdi=. However, the Mahdi, who is spoken about in the Ahaadith, is the one who will appear close to Qiyaamah, and it ⁵⁷**refers** to

⁴⁹ Zulam –o-setam

51 Aam, zeyada

⁵² jhotlana, jhuta sabet krna

⁵⁵ Parhaiz gar

⁵⁶ Hasil kr lena

⁵⁷ Hawala dena

⁴⁸ Sharam. heya

⁵⁰ Na itefaki

⁵³ Bela tawakuf

⁵⁴ tarjumani

one particular person. He will be from the ⁵⁸**progeny** of Hadhrat Faatimah (radhiAllaahu anha). His name will be Mohammed, his father=s name will be Abdullaah and his mother=s name will be Aaminah. In external appearance and character, he will resemble Rasulullaah (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam). He will be a resident of Madinah and will make his appearance in Makkah. The pious people and the Abdaals(Levels in Sainthood) from Shaam and Iraq will take Ba'it (pledge allegiance) at his hands. The Taaj-e-Kaabah. (Crown of the Kaabah - those treasures that are buried underneath the Kaabah) will come out and it will be distributed amongst the Muslims. He will first become the king of the Arabs and then of all the Muslims around the world. The world will ⁵⁹**permeate** with justice and peace, just as how its opposites, i.e. oppression and tyranny, had ⁶⁰**reigned** (previously). The Shariah of Muhammad (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam) will be rejuvenated. During the time of Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam), dajjal will make his appearance. It will also be during his reign that Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will ⁶¹descend from the heavens onto the eastern minaarat of the Masjid in Damascus., and he will read his Salaah behind Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam). Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) will fight the Christians and conquer Constantinople (Istanbul).

IMPORTANT NOTE:

It is the firm belief of the Ahlus Sunnat Wal Jamaat that the emergence of Imaam Mahdi close to Qiyaamah is Haqq. It is necessary to bring faith and believe in this. The appearance of Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) is verified in ⁶²authentic Ahaadith and there is a consensus of opinion of the Ummat on this. With regards the ⁶³descriptions and explanations of Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam), although there are few single reported Ahadith on the matter, this has come down to us right through the ages from the time of the Sahaabah, Taabi`een and all the pious Ulama throughout the east and west in all eras.

Sheikh Jalaaluddeen Suyuti (rahmatullahi alaih) has written an entire ⁶⁴**treatise** on Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam), wherein he has detailed all the Ahaadith and ⁶⁵**narrations** of the Sahaabah regarding Imaam Mahdi (alaihi slaam). The name of this Kitaab is Al-Arful Wardi Fi Akhbaaril Mahdi.. Whoever desires may refer to it. Sheikh Ibn Hajar Makki has also writen a treatise on the signs of Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam), wherein he has listed

⁵⁹ Sarayat karna

⁶² Tasdeek shuda

⁵⁸ Rohani olad

⁶⁰ Hakumat krna

⁶¹ utaarna

⁶³ Wazahat krna

⁶⁴ saheefa

⁶⁵ bayanaat

up to 200 signs. With all these ⁶⁶**references** and Ahaadith that exist on the signs of Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam), it is ⁶⁷**indeed folly** and ⁶⁸**asinine** for anyone to refute the appearance of Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam). There are those who have accepted the claim of the (false)⁶⁹ **claimants** to being Imaam Mahdi. May Allaah Ta`ala grant them the guidance of the Straight Path. Aameen.

CLAIMANTS TO BEING MAHDI

There were many people who claimed to be the promised Imaam Mahdi, but none measured up to the descriptions given in the Ahaadith, and none will, except the real one that Nabi (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam) spoke about. They started making all sorts of ⁷⁰interpretations and explanations with regard to the real signs of Imaam Mahdi and tried to make them apply to themselves. If making interpretations of the real signs of Imaam Mahdi was the object, then it would be very easy for every person to become a Mahdi. Whoever desires can claim to be a Mahdi, but one must remember that none can be the real Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) that was prophesied in the Ahaadith. If the descriptions given in the Ahaadith regarding the descriptions of Imaam Mahdi is not present in any claimant, then he will never be the prophesied Imaam Mahdi.

Mirza Ghulaam Ahmed, never had any signs of the ⁷¹**prophesied** Imaam Mahdi in him. The Mirzaees and Qaadianis were a strange ⁷²**breed** believing their leader to be Maseeh and Mahdi. The English were declared as kaafir and dajjaals, yet (according to the Qaadianis) it was haraam to make jihad against them and they also encouraged and regarded as fardh, making du`aa for the ⁷³**continuation** of the English rule.

O Muslims, what type of Maseeh is this! Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will be sent to ⁷⁴**annihilate** dajjaal and not to make du`aa for his continuation and existence.

2. EMERGENCE OF DAJJAAL

67 Yakeenan bewakoof

⁶⁹ Dawa-e-dar

⁷¹ Paash gio kee

⁷³ Jaree rahna

⁶⁶ Hawalay dena

⁶⁸ ahmaq

⁷⁰ tarjumani

⁷² nasal

⁷⁴ Mitaa dena

The second sign from the amongst the major signs of Oiyaamah will be the emergence of dajjaal, which is established from the authentic Ahaadith and the consensus of the Ummat.

The word > dajjaal= ⁷⁵**originates** from the root word >dajala=, which translates as one who is a great liar and one who plots, plans, ⁷⁶schemes and he ⁷⁷confuses and mixes up the truth and falsehood. According to this dictionary meaning, every liar and schemer will be classified as a dajjaal. However, the dajjaal that is prophesied in the Ahaadith will be a specific kaafir person. He will be from a amongst the jews and will have the title of >Maseeh=. He will be one-eyed, and his eye will nikal ⁷⁸**protrude** like a grape from his head. Between his two eyes will be written the Arabic letters AKaaf., AFaa. and ARaa., which will be ⁷⁹**decipherable** to every person. His hair will be extremely curly. His ⁸⁰convevance will be a large donkey. His first appearance will be between Iraq and Shaam. He will lay claim to Nabihood. He will then go to a place called >Asfahan=, and there 70 000 jews will follow him. Thereafter he will lay claim to godhood and he will spread great ⁸¹**mischief** throughout his travels.

Allaah Ta`ala will, as a test for the believers, allow many strange, Amiraculous. and out of the ordinary occurrences occur at his hands, and at the end he will b8e thoroughly disgraced and miliatehud. His helplessness and weakness will become ⁸²evident in a wonderful and sublime way. He will come upon a man and kill him. Thereafter he will make this person alive (with the Order of Allaah Ta`ala, of course!). Then he will again try to kill this person and he will never get it right. This incident will make very clear and apparent that his claim to godhood is a blatant lie and deception. Also, the fact that he is one-eyed, is a clear sign that he can never be a deity. Secondly, the word kaafir will be written on his forehead. The act of killing is in the power of every person. Even a weak person can kill a strong one with the strike of a sword. But the act of giving life is exclusively that of Allaah Ta`ala. Dajjaal will be able to give life to many people during his travels, and all this will only be possible with the Order of Allaah Ta`ala, as a test. Eventually, this will also be removed from him. Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) was also able to bring to life some people, with the Order of Allaah Ta`ala. He used to make du`aa and turn his ⁸³ attention to Allaah Ta`ala, who would in turn give life to the dead soul.

⁷⁵ Wajood mein lana

⁷⁶ Tagweez krna

⁷⁷ uljhaana

⁷⁸ Nikal ana

⁷⁹ Hal kay qabil

⁸⁰ Hamal-w-naqal

⁸¹ sharaarat

⁸² Zahir, alania

⁸³ tawaja

Allaah Ta`ala would grant life to the dead through the du`aa of Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam), and this is no proof of his ⁸⁴ **godhood**, in fact it shows that he was a special and chosen servant of Allaah Ta`ala.

WHEN WILL THE EMERGENCE OF DAJJAAL TAKE PLACE?

Dajjaal will emerge at the time when Hadhrat Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) will have already made jihaad with the Christians and ⁸⁵**conquered** Constantinople and ⁸⁶**whilst** returning to Shaam, he will be ⁸⁷**stationed** in the city of Damascus. He will be busy preparing the Muslims. At this time, dajjaal will emerge. Dajjaal, with his army, will wreak havoc on earth. From Yemen he will make his way to Makkah Mukarramah, but will be prevented therefrom by the angels. He will then head for Madinah. The entrance of Madinah Munawwarah will also be protected by the angels and he will not be able to enter. He will then roam around the world, and ⁸⁸**eventually** end up in Shaam. Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will then ⁸⁹**descend** from the heavens on the eastern minaarat of the Jaame Masjid in Damascus, resting upon the shoulders of two angels. He will eventually kill the ⁹⁰**accursed** dajjaal, as explained in the forthcoming chapter.

3. THE DESCENSION OF HADHRAT ISAA BIN MARYAM (ALAIHI SALAAM)

The third sign from amongst the major signs that will occur close to Qiyaamah will be the descending of Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) from the heavens, and his killing of the accursed dajjaal. This is Haqq and truth, as stated in the Qur`aan Majeed, the authentic Ahaadith and consensus of the Ummat. It is Fardh and necessary to accept and believe in this.

The one-eyed dajjaal will have already emerged by then and Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) will be preparing for Salaam in the Jaame Masjid in Damascus, when suddenly, Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will descend from the heavens on the eastern minaarat of this Masjid upon the shoulders of two angels. After the completion of the Salaam, he, together with Imaam Mahdi, will head off towards dajjaal. The ⁹¹**breath** of Hadhrat Isaa

⁸⁵ Fataah karnaa

⁸⁷ Tahra nisb keya

90 Mardood, lanti

⁸⁴ khudai

⁸⁶ Jab tak

⁸⁸ Aakhir kaar

⁸⁹ utaarna

⁹¹ dam

(alaihi salaam) will be such that the kuffaar will not be able to withstand it. They will die as soon as it reaches them. As soon as dajjaal will set his eye on Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam), he will (literally) ⁹²disintegrate, just as salt does when it comes in contact with water. Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will ⁹³**pursue** dajjaal and he will corner him at a place called Baabe Lud, and he will kill dajjaal with his spear. The blood will be shown to the Muslims. Thereafter, the Muslim army will fight the army of dajaal, which will consist of jews. There will be a war where the earth will be cleansed of the jews, just as it was ⁹⁴**rendered** unclean by their existence. The jews, who laid claim that they had killed Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will then witness with their own eyes that the person who they had claimed to have killed, was actually stationed in the heavens and that he had returned to kill them. One of the wisdoms behind the ascension of Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) into the skies was to save him from the mischief and plots of the Jews. He is kept in the heavens for a specified period, where after he will return and complete his life as a normal human being. He is after a Bani Aadam (human being) and all humans must necessarily complete their lives in the normal way and then be buried in the ground. As Allaah Ta`ala says: AFrom it (earth) We have created you (human), and into it will We return you, and therefrom will We once again⁹⁵ resurrect you. It is for this reason that Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will be made to return to the earth and he will live for a certain period, where after he will pass away and be buried close to Nabi (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam).

Another wisdom behind the ascension of Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) was that the jews had accused him of being a ⁹⁶sorcerer and magician and they ⁹⁷falsified him, ⁹⁸ whilst they readily followed the accursed dajjaal. And since the jews had always held the Muslims and Christians in ⁹⁹**contempt**, they will deem this (coming of dajjaal) as an ideal opportunity to get revenge of the Muslims. At this time, Allaah Ta`ala will send Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam), who will ¹⁰⁰**slay** the leader of the jews (dajjaal), and they will get to see that the very person they had always claimed to have killed, is the one who will be killing them. It will also be made clear at this time that the Maseeh of guidance (Hadhrat Isaa Bin Maryam -alaihi salaam), who it was Fardh to follow (at the time), they belied

⁹² Ajza alehda karna⁹³ Jaree rakhna

⁹⁴ Hawala kr dena

⁹⁵ Dobara zinda karna

⁹⁶ Jadugar, madari

⁹⁷ Jhoot bolna , bahana banana

⁹⁸ Jab tak

⁹⁹ Haqarat, zilat

¹⁰⁰ Oatal karna

him and the Maseeh of ¹⁰¹**deviation** (dajjal) whom it was Fardh to belie, they actually followed.

HADHRAT ISAA=S (ALAIHI SALAAM) FOLLOWING THE SHARIAH OF MUHAMMAD (SALLALLAAHU ALAIHI WASALLAM) AFTER HIS DESCENSION

Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will follow the Shariah of Nabi Muhammad (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam) after he descends from the heavens, because the Shariah of Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) was limited until the time of his ascension. With the coming of Nabi Muhammad (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam), all other Shariahs were ¹⁰²abrogated and it was necessary for all man and jinn to follow this Shariah. Nabi (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam) was the seal of all Nabis and his Shariah abrogated all previous ones. His was the last and perfection of all the previous ones. At that time, the actions of Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will conform to the Qur`aan and Sunnah. After his ascension, Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will still be a Nabi, because no Nabi ever loses this status of his. But, he will be sent as a Nabi that follows the existing Shariah, and not as a Nabi that will bring his own new Shariah. After his descension he will not follow the Injeel, but he will follow the Qur`aan and Sunnah and he will judge also according to this.

HOW WILL HADHRAT ISAA (ALAIHI SALAAM) HAVE THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE SHARIAH OF NABI MUHAMMAD (SALLALLAAHU ALAIHI WASALLAM)?

Some Ulama are of the opinion that Allaah Ta`ala will grant Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) the knowledge of the Shariah of Nabi Muhammad (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam) prior to his descension, or that after his coming down, he will be given Wahi (Divine Revelation) regarding the Shariah, or he will learn it after studying the Qur`aan and Sunnat, or he will ¹⁰³acquire it ¹⁰⁴spiritually. For more details on this subject refer to this humble writer=s Kitaab called A Al-Qowlul Muhkam Fi Nuzooli Isaa Ibni Maryam..

HADHRAT ISAA (ALAIHI SALAAM) AND IMAAM MAHDI (ALAIHI SALAAM) ARE TWO DIFFERENT PERSONS

From the Ahaadith Shareef regarding the appearance of Hadhrat Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) and the descension of Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam), it is as clear as daylight that

¹⁰² Mansokh kerna

¹⁰¹ tajaawuz

¹⁰³ Haasil karnaa

¹⁰⁴ Ruhani toor par

these are two different personalities. Since the time of the Sahaabah, Taabi'een and upto the present time, there has been no one who has averred that Hadhrat Imaam Mahdi and Hadhrat Isaa (alaihima salaam) are one and the same person.

The reason for this is:

- a). Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) is a Nabi and a Rasul, and Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) will be the last Khalifah of this Ummat and he will not be a Nabi.
- b). Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) was born to his mother, Hadhrat Maryam (alaiha salaam) without a father, and he was bron about 600 years prior to Nabi (sallAllaahu alaihi wasalam). Hadhrat Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) will be born in close ¹⁰⁵**proximity** to Oivaamah in Madinah Munawarah and his father= s name will be Abdullaah and his mother=s Amina.
- c). Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) is from the Bani Israeel and Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) will be from the progeny of Hadhrat Faatimah (radhiAllaahu anha).

AN OBJECTION AND ITS ANSWER

It is reported in a Hadith: AThere will be no Mahdi except Isaa Bin Maryam.. From this Hadith it appears that Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) and Imaam Mahdi are one and the same person.

ANSWER

The answer to this is that this Hadith is weak and not authentic, as reported by Haafiz Ibn Hajar in AFathul Baari. on page 358, vol.6.

Secondly, this Hadith is in opposition to the ¹⁰⁶**numerous** Ahaadith where it is as clear as daylight that Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) and Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) are two different people. Compared to authentic Ahaadith, weak and rejected Ahaadith are not ¹⁰⁷considered.

¹⁰⁷ Tawajjo dayna

nazdeeki
kaseer

Thirdly, if we consider even for a little while that this Hadith is true, then the answer will be that during the time of Hadhrat Isaa=s (alaihi salaam) ¹⁰⁸**descension**, there will be none who will be better equipped to be a guide than he. Although he will be following the Shariah of Nabi Muhammad (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam), he will still be a Nabi, and it is obvious that no normal person is better ¹⁰⁹**equipped** to guide people than a Nabi. Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam), will be a Khalifah and Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam), a Nabi, whilst we know that all Nabis are sinless, hence he will be better equipped than Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam).

It is mentioned in a a Hadith: *AThere is no (stronger) youth, then Ali.* This Hadith does not mean that Hadhrat Ali (radhiAllaahu anhu) was the ONLY youth in the world at that time. In the same way, the above ¹¹⁰**mentioned** Hadith will not mean that Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will be the ONLY one to guide people.

4. THE EMERGENCE OF YAJOOJ AND MAJOOJ

Some time after the descension of Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) and the destruction of dajjaal, Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) will pass away. He will pass away in Baityul Magdis and will be buried there. Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will perform his Janaza Salaam. At that time Imaam Mahdi=s (alaihi salaam) age will be about 45, or 48 or 49 years. After the demise of Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) all the affairs of the Muslims will be in the hands of Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam), and this will be an era of peace and tranquility. There will come a sudden Wahi that Isaa (alaihi salaam) must take the believers to the Mount Toor. Allaah Ta'ala will inform him that He is going to release such a nation, whose opposition none will have the power to do. This nation will be Yajooj and Majooj, who will be from the progeny of Yaafith Bin Nooh. Zul-Qarnain imprisoned them behind a very strong and impenetrable wall between two mountains, and they will only be able to break through it at a time when it will be close to Qiyaamah. They will emerge in ¹¹²**droves** and hordes and spread mischief in the world. Their emergence is detailed in the Qur`aan Majeed. Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will go with the Muslims towards the mount Toor. He will make du'aa to Allaah Ta'ala to destroy Yajooj and Majooj, and Allaah Ta`ala will send a 113 plague, that will annihilate them. Then Allaah Ta`ala will send some birds with huge necks that will eat some of them up and throw the balance into the seas. Then there will be 114 torrential rains that

¹⁰⁸ utarna

¹⁰⁹ Musallah keya

¹¹⁰ Mazkur,ziker keya

¹¹¹ Nakabelay nafuze

¹¹² dekho

¹¹³ taoon

¹¹⁴ Sailab ka sa

will cleanse the earth of the stench. Life will then be pleasant and peaceful. Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will live for 45 years and pass away in Madinah Shareef. Hadhrat Isaa (alaihi salaam) will ¹¹⁵appoint a person to succeed him, whose name will be AJahjaa.. He will rule with great justice and 116 equity, but evil will again begin to spread.

5. THE APPEARANCE OF >DUKHAAN= (A SMOKE WILL APPEAR)

After the demise of Jahjaa, there will be many other Muslim leaders, but the spread of evil will become even more apparent. There will come a time when an earthquake will strike a place in the east and west, where the ¹¹⁷deniers of Tagdeer reside. A huge smoke will emerge from the eastern and western skies, which will engulf the entire space between the earth and the sky. The result is that people will begin to ¹¹⁸suffocate. This smoke will last for forty days. The Muslims will develop symptoms of a cold and the kuffaar will become ¹¹⁹**unconscious**. Some will regain ¹²⁰**consciousness** after two days and others after three days. The Our an Majeed mentions ¹²¹regarding this event as follows:

Await the day when the skies will come with a huge smoke, that will engulf the people. This will be a fearful punishment..

According to Hadhrat Abdullaah Ibn Mas'ood (radhialahu anhu), this portent had already passed, when Nabi (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam) had made a bad-du'aa and a severe drought befell the kuffaar. The result of which the kuffaar saw only smoke emerging from the ground.

6. THE RISING OF THE SUN FROM THE WEST

One of the greatest sings of Oiyaamah will be the sun rising from the west. It is reported in the Qur`aan Shareef:

¹¹⁵ Muqarrar kar na ¹¹⁶ insaaf

¹¹⁷ Munkir, Inkaar kar nay wala

¹¹⁸ Dam ghutna

¹¹⁹ Bay hosh

¹²⁰ shaor

¹²¹ Ba lihaz

Will they wait (before they bring Imaan), until (the time) when the angels come to them, or until their Rabb comes to them, or that any major sign from your Rabb comes to them..

In this Aayat, the portion A any major sign., refers to the sun rising from the west. It is reported in a Hadith that the night prior to the sun=s rising from the west, will be a very long night. To such an ¹²²**extent** that the children will begin to wail, and the travelers will become ¹²³**perplexed** and they will be expecting a great calamity. They will fall ¹²⁴**prostrate** and make du`aa of forgiveness. Then the sun will rise from the west, but it will have no brilliance, similar to an eclipse. It will be very dim and dull and will only rise to a hands span, thereafter it will begin to set. Then it will resume its normal habit of rising from the east and setting in the west. Every person (alive at the time) will witness this phenomena. After this occurrence, no Imaan will be accepted from any kaafir and no forgiveness will be granted to any sinful Muslim.

It is stated in the Qur`aan Majeed:

AOn the day when a (great) sign comes from your Rabb, the Imaan of no person will benefit him, who did not have Imaan prior to that, and no good benefit will come to the Imaan of a person (i.e. one who repents)..

It is reported in Bukhari, Muslim and other authentic Hadith Kitaabs that the words in the Aayat (Aa (great) sign.) refers to the sun rising from the west, hence to believe in this is necessary and to reject it is Kufr.

NOTE:

From the time the sun rises in the west, this will be the beginning of the end of the entire universe. From the time the Trumpet will be blown, all of creation will be destroyed and no person=s Imaan or Tawbah will benefit him at that time. In the same way, when the sun rises from the west no ones=s Imaan or Tawbah will be accepted, as this will herald the end of the creation. The Hereafter, which until this time, was hidden from sight, is now clear and apparent before everyone=s eyes. Imaan is only accepted, when brought in a state when one believes in the unseen.

When Allaah Ta`ala desires to bring this world to an end, step by step, then He will do it in this way to show that the normal operation of this world is now coming to an end. Whatever the Nabis has taught and told about the Hereafter, was all true. Whatever they had taught is now before the eyes.

¹²³ Heraan-o-pareshan

 $^{^{122}}$ had

¹²⁴ Sajda riaz

One needs only to look at two Surahs in the Qur`aan Majeed, Surah AIzassamaa un Fatarat. and AIzasham su Kuwwirat., where there is a ¹²⁵**vivid** description of the Day of Qiyaamah, when the sun, moon, stars and every other thing that was operating smoothly will come to an ¹²⁶**abrup**t end. Is not that Allaah Ta`ala who created all this able to bring it to an end. If everyone believed this before then none would have disobeyed Allaah Ta`ala, even to a hair =s breadth. People thought the sun=s rising from the west was impossible, and then they will witness it with their own eyes, and they will see the thick smoke that will make the day into night. Allaah Ta`ala is Most Powerful and He can make the sun rise from where He wishes and make it set where He wishes. Those who belied His existence and Power and the Message of the Nabis will ¹²⁷**realise** their grave error at that time.

7. THE EMERGENCE OF THE ANIMAL FROM THE GROUND

One of the great sings of Qiyaamah will be the emergence of an animal from the ground. This is established from the Qur`aan: And when the promise (of Qiyaamah) ¹²⁸unfolds on them, We will take out an animal from the ground that will talk to them. Indeed the people do not believe in our signs..

On the day when the sun rises from the west, or the next day, this strange animal will emerge from the ground. A mountain in Makkah called >Safa= will split open and this strange animal will emerge therefrom, and it will talk to the people. This will be very similar to the way the camel emerged from the rock for the people of Saleh (alaihi salaam). This animal will emerge from the mountain and speak to the people and inform them of the imminence of Qiyaamah. It will place a ¹²⁹luminous sign upon the faces of the believers, which will result in their faces ¹³⁰glittering. It will place a stamp between the eyes of the disbelievers, which will result in their faces becoming dark.

As Allaah Ta`ala says in the Qur`aan Majeed: AAnd on that Day will We separate you, O transgressors..

The separation an distinguishing between the Muslims and the kuffaar will begin in this way. The final separation will be after the reckoning on the Day of Qiyaamah.

126 Achaanak, yakayak

¹²⁷ Haqeqat mehsoos kar na

128 Khul jana

129 Taban, rooshan

¹³⁰ chamakdar

¹³¹ gunehgar

¹²⁵ wazeh

WISDOM:

It is possible that the wisdom underlying this incident is that Allaah Ta`ala intends making apparent the stupidity and ¹³²**idiocy** of the kuffaar, in that they ¹³³**refuted** the message of the Nabis, and on this day they will be made to accept the truth of the matter by an animal!

But on that day, their believing will be of no consequence, because the time for their accepting the truth will be long gone.

NOTE:

The words in the Qur`aan Majeed that explain this animal is Daabatul Ard which suggests that this animal will emerge from the ground in the same way that a child is born from its mother=s womb. Like how Hadhrat Saleh=s (alaihi salaam) camel emerged from the rock.

8. THE BLOWING OF A COOL BREEZE

After a certain period following the emergence of the animal from the ground, a cool breeze will blow, which will result in the death of all the believers and good people. Even if a good believer is hiding in a cave or above a mountain, this breeze will reach him and all will die, until no believer is left on the earth. There will also be no person left who will differentiate between good and evil. [Muslim Shareef]

9. 134 DOMINATION OF THE ABYSSINIANS

Thereafter, there will be domination of the world by the kuffaar(nature having dark complections). Oppression and tyranny will become rife. Immodesty indecency will become the order of the day. People will copulate like animals on the roads. It is reported in a Hadith: The treasures of the Kaabah will not be unearthed except by the thin-legged Abyssinians...

10. THE EMERGENCE OF THE FIRE

One of the final signs of Qiyaamah will be a fire that will start in the centre of Aden, whose light will be seen until Shaam. This fire will >round up= the people of the world

¹³² Pagal pan ¹³³ Tardeed kr na

¹³⁴ Amaldari, foqiat

and bring them to the plains of ¹³⁵**resurrection**, i.e. Shaam, the place where all will gather after the resurrection. This fire will not leave the people for any part of the day or night. When the night will dawn and the people will stop to rest, then the fire will also stop. When the day dawns and the sun rises the fire will again >usher= the people in the direction of Shaam. Once they all reach Shaam, the fire will disappear.

It is reported in Muslim Shareef by Huzaifah Bin Usaid Ghafaari that Rasulullaah (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam) mentioned ten signs of Qiyaamah, of which the last was:

A fire that will emerge from Yemen and take to people to their (place of) resurrection.

After this, there will be a time of calm and good life, where kufr and idol-worship will ¹³⁶**flourish**. There will not be a single person left on the face of the earth who will take the Name of Allaah Ta`ala. At that time Qiyaamah will occur and Hadhrat Israafeel (alaihi salaam) will be given the order to blow the Trumpet.

WARNING:

In most of the Ahaadith, the emergence of the Fire is mentioned as the last sign of Qiyaamah. However, there is a narration in Bukhari Shareef that states that the first sign of Qiyaamah is a fire that will take the people from the east to the west. A ¹³⁷**correlation** between these narrations is that, from the ten major signs of Qiyaamah, this is the final sign and since this fire will be adjacent and closest to the blowing of the Trumpet, it is referred to as the first sign to the end of the world. Whereafter, no sign will be left of the world.

Here we have listed the ten major signs of Qiyaamah that are reported in the Ahaadith and it is necessary that we all bring Imaan in them and accept them as true.

From the birth and demise of Rasulullaah (sallAllaahu alaihi wasallam) until the appearance of Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam), whatever other signs come in between these events are referred to as the minor signs of Qiyaamah. Whatever signs are ¹³⁸manifested from and after the appearance of Imaam Mahdi (alaihi salaam) until the blowing of the Trumpet are referred to as the major signs. The last sign will be the Fire that will emerge from Yemen. After this, Qiyaamah will take place, which will be ¹³⁹heralded by the Blowing of the Trumpet. After the first blowing the entire universe will be destroyed

¹³⁵ Qayamat, hashar

¹³⁶ Phalna phoona

¹³⁷ Bahemi taluk

¹³⁸ Zahir huwa

¹³⁹ Paash goi ke alamat bna

.andafter the second blowing the universe will be brought back to life for the second time. The time after the second blowing is referred to as Aalam-e-Hashr and Aalam-e-Aakhirah