

15 SHA'BAN

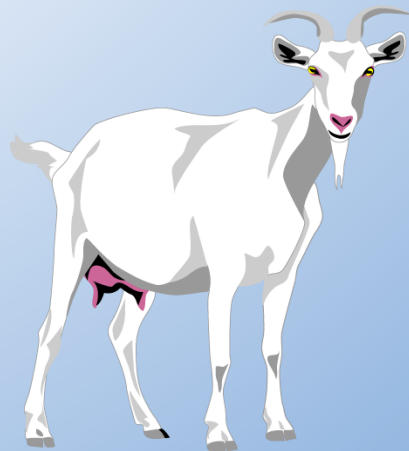
Laylatul Bara'a &
Birth of Imam Mahdi (pbuh)



Laylatul Baraa'a: The Night of Freedom

“ When the night of the middle of Sha'baan comes, spend the night in prayer and fast the next day for in it Allah forgives more sins than the hairs of the goats of the tribe of Kalb

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Laylatul Baraa'a: The Night of Freedom

“ When the night of the middle of Sha’ban comes, Allah says: Is there anyone pleading for **forgiveness** that I might forgive him? Is there anyone asking for **sustenance** that I may feed him? Is there anyone who **desires anything** so I may grant it to him? ”

“ During the night of the 15th Shabaan, Allah takes **decisions** in the matters of **sustenance**, life, death and the **welfare** of His creation. ”



Getting to know our Imam: Basic facts

Who is he? Son of Imam Hasan Askery & Sayyida Nargis

When was he born? 15 Sha'ban
255 AH (He is now 1189 years old)

Where is he? In Ghayba

When, where and how will he appear?

Where: Makka.

How: He will be sitting near the Ka'ba.

When: When the world is in turmoil

FACT

Imam's ghayba is described by the Aimma...

..... like that of Prophet Yusuf (pbuh) who was amongst his brothers yet they did not recognise him.



What are the signs of his appearance?

1. A star will appear in the east giving light just like the moon gives light...then (the new moon) will bend until its two tips almost meet ...a colour will appear in the sky and spread to its horizons
2. A voice will be heard announcing the appearance of Imam from the sky (in such a way) that all the people will hear it in their own languages.
3. People will carry music in their pockets



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4. Imam Ali (pbuh) took Kumayl bin Ziyad to the outskirts of Kufa and showed him where he was to be buried. He then told him that all round his grave there would be tall buildings carrying the sign of Shaytan on them. The sign would be called Antennae



5. The Arabs will re-take possession of their land, throwing out the foreign authority



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6. There will be an eclipse of the sun in the middle of the month of Ramadhan. There will be an eclipse of the moon at the end of that same month in contrast to ordinary happenings.



7. **Sufyani & Dajjal** will come out in revolt

Allama Syyed Muhammad Sadr in his book 'Tareekh Al-Ghaybatul Kubra' writes that **Dajjal** is probably a metaphorical rather than a literal figure representing an ideology of materialism

The term "**Sufyani**" is a term referring to his descent from the progeny of Abu Sufyan. The Ahadith regarding the Sufyani specify that he is a tyrant who will spread corruption and will rule over Syria, Palestine and Jordan making Damascus his stronghold.



Getting to know our Imam: Timeline



How can we keep in touch with our Imam?



A Letter to Imam Mahdi

Assalamu Alaykum

I remember you every day and I pray to Allah to keep me alive until I meet you and become one of your soldiers.

O my Imam! with these little fingerprints of mine, I promise you that I shall try my best to keep you happy:

By obeying Allah,
By praying on time,
By listening to my parents,
By helping others and being kind to them.

Please help me to be a good Muslim.

Fi Amanillah

Forever your follower

Imam Mahdi

