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## Shiasm- Greatest threat to Islam

The plots of *Shayṭān* and his forces never change. Regarding them, Allāh ﷻ says:

وَلَنْ تَرْضَىٰ عَنْكَ الْيَهُودُ وَلَا النَّصَارَىٰ حَتَّىٰ تَتَّبِعَ مِلَّتَهُمْ

*The Jews and Christians shall never be happy, unless you follow their way!*

Only *kufr* shall please them. It makes no difference whether one is called a Jew, a Christian, or a Muslim. As long as his beliefs are *kufr*, or border on the brink of *kufr*, it shall be promoted, and he shall have their approval.

Throughout history, where many sincere men and women, were prevented from practicing on their *dīn*, through torture, threats and all forms of persecution, there were many others who were misled into abandoning their *dīn* totally, except that they did it happily.

Where the iron fist was used, the fear would always remain of the masses uprising, but where corrupt leaders were portrayed to the masses as saviors of their *dīn*, they would even be ready to apostate, and still regard their leader as 'The sign of God'.

Well known examples of this are:

1) After *Nabî* 'Isā ﷺ was lifted, his disciples, with great difficulty, and under constant persecution, continued with his noble work. Then suddenly, a wealthy man called Paul, famous for his harshness against the Christians, steps into the scene. He explains the reason for his repentance, i.e. a figure had appeared in front of him, covering the horizon, and

reprimanded him for his evil ways, and efforts against the Christians. The Christians explode in excitement, and accept him immediately in their circles. His money, efforts and life has now been sacrificed for the Christian cause...or so it seems...

Not long after, the close disciples of *Nabî`Isā* ﷺ start drawing away from Paul, for he is now making claims of such beliefs that they had never heard before. Explaining the true belief to Paul proves futile for he is convinced that Jesus is conversing with him directly. Explaining to his supporters is also quite difficult, since Paul is hero number 1. The disciples voice their concern, but the harm has already been done. Christianity has been poisoned.

2) The grand emperor of the Romans, Constantine's heart has finally submitted to Christianity. The support that the religion shall now receive is inconceivable. There is rejoicing in all quarters. The religion has now reached new heights, or so it seemed.

The support that Paul's views had enjoyed was until now limited. Through Constantine and his mother, Helina, Paul's Christianity becomes law, with a unique mixture of Persian, fire-worshipping beliefs. Christians, pure in belief, voice their concern but the damage has been done. There is no way Constantine can be wrong. He is God's vicegerent on earth.

3) Turkey, capital state of the *khilāfah*, is on the brink of disaster. Their power over the Arab lands had already been snatched away. The British have already landed, and it seems that the Turks shall soon lose their independence. Suddenly, Mustafa Kamāl, a young Turk, who had 'coincidentally' just returned from England, steps into the arena. The invincible

British army, upon seeing his small band of soldiers, retreat. The Turks are amazed. It must be divine help, thus he is labeled 'Ataturk' (Father of the Turks). He is assigned with a bigger garrison, and 'amazingly' the British again retreat. His fame spreads far and wide. The *khalīfah* has no option but to appoint him as chief commander of the army. Mustafa has saved for the Turks their land and their religion...or so it seems...

Not long after, the *khalīfah* is robbed of all his authority. The man in charge now has the *khalīfah* jailed on charges of fraud. Within a short while, *azān*, *ṣalāh*, the Arabic language, learning and reciting Qur'ān is prohibited. The pious voice their concern, but it is too late. Ataturk can never be wrong. He is our savior!

4) Upon the destruction of the *khilāfah*, the Muslims were gripped with an inferiority complex. There was no power that could muster the courage to speak against Britain and America. Then suddenly...

The oppressive Shah of Iran is defeated, and Khomeini, whose lectures and appeals to the public had, 'most surprisingly' been aired from Paris throughout the Shah's rule, now steps into the scene. Iraq attacks again and again, but 'surprisingly' Iran cannot be defeated. The most daring weapon-wielding-West 'amazingly' draws back in fear. Muslims around the world rejoice, for Islām has found a protector. A revolution has begun. Islam has found a savior....or so it seemed

Not long after, Khomeini in bits and trickles starts explaining his version of Islām. Concern is voiced, but how can Āyatullāh (Allāh's sign on earth) ever be wrong.

By destroying leaders, and subjecting the masses to torture and persecution, only few are eventually subdued into totally abandoning Islām and that too, after great difficulty. But when corrupt leaders are placed in the seats of power, Muslims walk the road to destruction happily. Shia-Iran is one the most glaring examples of this treachery in recent times!!!

The object of this booklet is to highlight to the public the grave danger which Iran and Shiasm possesses to Islām and the Muslims. Throughout history, beginning from the era of Nabī ﷺ, the greatest enemy to Islām has been these internal enemies, the hypocrites within the Muslims. Since their enmity is hidden, their harms are the most dangerous. Due to their emotional slogans and hypocritical claims, many sincere Muslims have been duped into believing their altruism for Islām. In this booklet, mention will be made of their history, followed by their beliefs, and finally their political treachery to the Muslims throughout history, till today. May Allāh ﷻ open our eyes to reality and save us from misguidance, keep us steadfast on the straight path; and protect our *īmān* from the onslaughts of disbelief and hypocrisy. *Āmīn*.

## **HISTORY**

Since it is easier for those who know about Christianity and its history to understand the Shia religion and its origin, we will discuss it briefly. When Allāh ﷻ appointed 'Isā ﷺ as His messenger, and he conveyed the message of *tawhīd* to them as well as showing miracles proving his prophet hood, the first to denounce him were the Jewish rabbis. They persecuted him in every way, and eventually persuaded the Roman governor to execute him. According to the Jews, he was executed on the cross. However, the sincere apostles of 'Isā ﷺ continued

their campaign of propagating his teachings with great sacrifice and selfless efforts. It thus appeared that the mission of Christianity would be successful.

At this time, an amazing incident took place. A Jewish rabbi, Saul, who was completely inimical to Christianity, and oppressed its followers in every way, declared he was proceeding to Damascus to increase his tyranny. On the way he claimed that he saw a divine light, and he heard the voice of 'Isā ﷺ who reprimanded him for his injustices and bade him to accept Christianity. He claimed that he accepted the new faith and would now dedicate himself to its service. He changed his name from Saul to Paul. Most of the apostles of 'Isā ﷺ rejected his story as they knew his hostility. However Barnabas accepted it and bade others to do so as well. He moulded himself in such a manner that the common people regarded him as the greatest champion of Christianity.

His real intention however was to destroy Christianity from within. He was a shrewd person and realised the easiest way to lead the Christians astray was to exalt and glorify the position of 'Isā ﷺ beyond the due limit, and begin to call him the son of God, a partner of God, and to declare that the reason why 'Isā ﷺ was crucified was to atone for the sins of all men who believed in him. He soon showed the permissibility of alcohol and wine, a teaching against every true religion. He started working along these lines. His calculations proved correct and soon the Doctrines of the Divinity of 'Isā ﷺ, Trinity, and Atonement found acceptance among the Christians. Not a century passed after 'Isā ﷺ was raised, that the religion of 'Isā ﷺ gave way to the religion of Paul, and his polytheistic creed became the fundamental articles of faith among the Christians.

The beginning of Shiasm is identical to the beginning of present Christianity. In Madīnah Munawwarah, the Jews enjoyed a superior position compared with the idol-worshippers, who were illiterate. The Jews practised the policy of 'divide and rule' between the *Aus* and *Khazraj* tribes. Using the art of tale-bearing, they ignited the fire of hatred between them, persuading them to kill one another and damage their properties. By interest-bearing loans, the Jews exploited them. When the message of Nabī ﷺ arrived, these two tribes embraced it sincerely. Some honest Jews accepted the message, but majority of them could not rid themselves of their enmity and envy of Islam. Their dream of establishing a state under their leader, 'Abdullāh Ibn Ubay Ibn Salūl, failed to materialize. Firstly, these Jews pooled their resources to attack Islam by argument, but were unsuccessful. Usage of arms also proved to be a failure. They decided then to attack Islam from within. Hypocritically, they embraced Islām. The first target of attack was to plant doubts regarding the honesty and integrity of the ṣahābah, which would lead to doubts regarding the character of Nabī ﷺ, challenging the authenticity of the *Qur'ān* and *Sunnah*, which would destroy the structure of Islām. They thus fabricated serious allegations against the ṣahābah, but Allāh ﷻ unveiled their evil intentions. He ﷻ exonerated the ṣahābah of charges levelled against them, and warned that the wrath of Allāh ﷻ would descend on those who wished to damage their reputation. The Jews were eventually expelled from Arabia. They took shelter in Syria, Egypt, Iran, etc. They never forgave the Muslims. Hatred burned in their hearts. They looked for some way to take revenge. They eventually found a leader, 'Abdullāh Ibn Sabā, one well-versed in fraud, treachery and

deception. He was unanimously elected to find ways and means to uproot Islām.

The position of Islām was strengthened during the two and a half year rule of Hadrat Abū Bakr ﷺ, and Islām began to expand out of the Arabian peninsula. During the 10 year reign of Hadrat ‘Umar ﷺ, the two most powerful empires of the day, the Roman and Persian, came under Islāmic rule. After his martyrdom, during the rule of Hadrat ‘Uthmān ﷺ, it continued advancing. Countless people embraced Islām.

During the era of Hadrat ‘Uthmān ﷺ, ‘Abdullāh Ibn Sabā outwardly accepted Islām. Some narrations state that he came to Madīnah Munawwarah and accepted Islām at the hands of Hadrat ‘Uthmān ﷺ. He perhaps thought that he will thus attain some distinction and honour, but was shown no extra favour. His real aim was to erode and destroy Islām from within, by sowing discord and disunity among the Muslims. He must have realised in his short stay in Madīnah Munawwarah that he would not make headway here as well as the whole Arabian Peninsula, as the Muslims were well learned and strong in their faith. He then proceeded to Basra and then Syria, but could not make headway. Eventually he went to Egypt, where he found some people he could employ to fulfil his evil designs.

**He launched a double-edged attack against Islam; his 1<sup>st</sup> target was the true faith of the Muslims and the 2<sup>nd</sup> was their political and social stability.** To persuade the Muslims to break away from the true teachings of Islām, it was necessary for him to poison the minds of his followers against the ṣahābah ﷺ, and to create doubts regarding the authenticity of the Qur’ān. To destroy the political stability,

he needed to overthrow, by fair or foul means, the institution of *khilāfat*.

From the successes of Paul, he realised the easiest way to mislead people was to take the path of excess in respect of the most revered and beloved person. His first step was to express surprise at the Muslims who believed in the return of 'Isā ﷺ to the world, but did not believe this for Nabī ﷺ who was superior. When some illiterate began to accept such nonsense, he then began showing exceptional devotion for Hadrat 'Alī ؑ on the basis of his close kinship with Nabī ﷺ. He attributed strange miracles to him, showing him to be a super human-being. Thereafter, it came to be believed that the rightful claim to be the ruler was Hadrat Alī ؑ. According to his teachings, every *nabî* had a *wasî*, who would succeed the messenger. He then claimed that Hadrat Abū Bakr ؑ and Hadrat 'Umar ؑ usurped the *khilāfat*. He claimed that the conspiracy against Hadrat 'Alī ؑ continued when Hadrat 'Uthmān ؑ took over ruler ship - who was totally incompetent and guilty of many irregularities.

At this time, in Egypt and other cities, there were grievances against some officials of Hadrat 'Uthmān ؑ. This situation was fully exploited by 'Abdullāh Ibn Sabā. He advocated that it was the right of every Muslim to sanction the right and forbid the wrong. People should thus rise against Hadrat 'Uthmān ؑ and end his misrule. Using traditional Jewish deceit, secretly and cleverly, he organised an armed force to march to Madīnah Munawwarah on a certain day. Since the facts of these happenings were unknown to Hadrat 'Uthmān ؑ, he preferred to lay down his life instead of causing bloodshed in the *ummah*.

In these circumstances, Hadrat ‘Alī ؑ was chosen to be the next *khalīfah*, as he was undoubtedly the rightful choice. However due to the martyrdom of Hadrat Uthmān ؑ, the *ummah* got divided into two groups, which resulted in the Battles of Siffin and Jamal. Ibn Sabā's group was on the side of Hadrat ‘Alī ؑ. Ibn Sabā took advantage of the ignorant amongst them into entertaining exaggerated beliefs about Hadrat ‘Alī ؑ that some came to believe that he was god-incarnate. Amongst others, he propagated the view that Allāh ﷻ had selected Hadrat ‘Alī ؑ for apostleship, but Jibra’īl ؑ erred, and gave the revelation to Nabī ﷺ. When Hadrat ‘Alī ؑ came to know of this, he decided to burn them alive, as a lesson, but was advised by Hadrat ‘Abdullāh Ibn ‘Abbās ؑ to put off the punishment at a more appropriate time. When the *sahābah* ؑ began to resolve their differences, during these battles, these instigators made sure that they flame the fuels of war, so that peace does not reign. With great deceit and treachery, they initiated attacks on both sides, leading to a most disheartening war. Eventually, Ibn Sabā was burnt alive, by the command of Hadrat ‘Alī ؑ.

Thereafter the followers of Ibn Sabā continued his evil work. Many sects emerged from them. The reason for this is that it was a clandestine movement. The preachers only told people what seemed expedient to them. Thus, some believed in the divinity of Hadrat ‘Alī, some believed that he was supposed to be the messenger of Allāh ﷻ, some felt he was the successor to Nabī ﷺ, and that all the other *khalīfahs* were usurpers, frauds and tyrants. The common factor was their exaggerated notion of Hadrat ‘Alī ؑ. Nabī ﷺ had once said to Hadrat ‘Alī ؑ, "O Alī, you are very much like ‘Isā ؑ. The Jews bore so much of malice against him that they slandered his mother, Maryam *radīyallāhu anha*, and the Christians bore him so much of love

that they put him on a pedestal that was not his." After narrating this, Hadrat 'Alī عليه السلام remarked, "Verily, this will come true. Two types of persons, with relation to me, will be ruined: one, those who will cross the limit in their love for me that they will attribute greatness to me which I do not possess; the other, those who will go so far in their enmity against me that their enmity will lead them to slander me." (Musnad Aḥmad) This prophecy came true during the *khilāfat* of Hadrat 'Alī عليه السلام, when the *Khawārij*, declared him a disbeliever and eventually assassinated him. On the other hand were the Shias who exalted him to a rank far higher than he was.

With the passage of time, the Shias, according to their different belief, got divided into various sects, until they exceeded seventy. Some of these sects no longer exist, and find mention only in books, but some are still found in various countries. The leading sect amongst them is the *Ithnâ Ash'ariyyah*, to which Khomeini and the Iranian Republic ascribe to.<sup>1</sup>

## **FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCES**

Whilst the Shias advocate and vociferously proclaim unity with Sunni Muslims with slogans such as 'No Sunnism, no Shiasm', beguiling the masses into believing that our differences are minor issues like the different *mazhabs*, their beliefs are such that make them the worst form of disbelievers. Hereunder, very briefly, some of their fundamental doctrines will be cited, showing that the gap between these two groups can never be bridged.

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<sup>1</sup> Condensed from Khomeini, Iranian Revolution and the Shi'ite faith (page 57-70) and Behind the Curtain (page 4 -9)

1) Belief in Allāh ﷻ - The Shias claim they believe in one Allāh, but adulterate this belief with polytheistic rituals and observances. They supplicate to Allāh ﷻ's servants rather than to Him alone, saying, "O 'Alī", "O Husayn" and "O Zaynab." They believe their imams to be infallible, to have knowledge of the unseen, and to partake in the administration of the universe. Their *kalimah* reads, "There is none worthy of worship besides Allāh, Muḥammad ﷺ is His messenger, and 'Alī is the *walī* of Allāh and the deputy of Rasūlullāh ﷺ without any interruption." Another evil belief of theirs is *badā*. This means that Allāh ﷻ retracts some predictions after His error becomes manifest. This means that they attribute ignorance to Allāh ﷻ. However the irony of this is that they attribute all-encompassing knowledge to their imāms.

2) Apostleship – Whilst they openly proclaim belief in this tenet, Khomeini has the following to say, "Whichever prophet came did so for the enforcement of justice. Their object was also to enforce justice across the whole world; however they were not successful, including the Seal of Messengers ﷺ, who came for the reformation of mankind and the enforcement of justice. He came for the training of mankind, but was unsuccessful in even his own era." Thus the Shias degrade the rank of *nubuwwat*, and grant it second-class status.

3) Imāmat –The corner-stone of Shism is the belief in the *Imāmat* of Ḥadrat 'Alī ؑ and his posterity. According to Shia belief, none can be considered a true believer unless he subscribes to this belief. They believe that the *Imāms* were appointed by Allāh ﷻ, the first being Ḥadrat 'Alī ؑ and the last being the son of the 11<sup>th</sup> Imam, Hassan Zaki, Muhammad Mahdī who they claim was born in the year 356 hijri. They claim that he is hiding in a cave (*surra man ra'â*) for the last thousand years and he will make his appearance close to

*Qiyāmah*, where he will destroy the false religions and spread the correct beliefs.

They believe that 1) an imām is sinless as a *nabī*, 2) revelation comes to them just as it comes to a *nabī*, 3) obedience to them is *fardh* just as it was to the *ambiyā*, 4) imāms possessed all the knowledge of the past and future and even excelled Mūsā عليه السلام in knowledge, 5) all the scriptures revealed to the preceding messengers are with the imāms and they read them in their original languages, 6) the imāms have the authority to declare anything lawful or unlawful 7) all the deeds of men are presented before the imāms 8) every Friday night, *mī'rāj* is granted to the imāms and they are taken to the *'arsh* 9) the imāms know their hour of death, death is in their hands, 10) the imāms surpass all the messengers in rank. Khomeini writes on page 52 of his book, *al-Hukumatul-Islāmiyya*, "Among the necessities of our *mazhab* (Shism) is that the status of our twelve imāms is so elevated that neither the close angels nor the prophets can attain it." Thus, it is necessary for Nabī ﷺ to believe in the *wilāyat* of 'Alī عليه السلام.

4) *Ṣaḥābah* –The Shias possess intense hatred for the *ṣaḥābah* رضي الله عنهم. They believe 1) after Nabī ﷺ passed away, all the *ṣaḥābah* رضي الله عنهم, save three became apostates 2) uttering obscenities against them is a great form of worship. The Shias actually have some *wazifahs* to be regularly recited in which one curses the honourable *ṣaḥābah* رضي الله عنهم by name. 3) They were utterly worthless slaves of their desires, hungry for power and rule, and conspirators, manipulators and hypocrites. For holding them in reverence, Khomeini condemns the *Ahl us Sunnah* from the beginning till the end, to be unpardonable criminals, rebels of Allāh ﷻ and His messenger ﷺ, and dwellers of Hell.

Regarding Hadrat Abū Bakr ؓ - 1) he usurped the *khilāfat* 2) he only accepted Islām because a soothsayer had promised him that he would gain power and authority 3) he violated the teachings of the Qur'ān 4) he denied inheritance that was due to Hadrat Fātimah ؓ

Regarding Hadrat 'Umar ؓ - 1) he is the enemy of Rasūlullāh ؐ, the *pharaoh* of the *ahl e bayt*, their tormentor and oppressor and usurper of their rights 2) he altered the Qur'ān and usurped the *khilāfat* 3) the day he was killed is a day of great rejoicing. For those three days every year, the Shias can commit any sins, and they will be rewarded for it 4) the killer of Hadrat 'Umar ؓ is deserving of Allah ﷻ's mercy. Khomeini has written, "When I enter Makkah and Madīnah as the conqueror, my first duty will be to get to the grave of Nabī ﷺ and exhume the bodies of these two idols."

Regarding the pure wives of Nabī ﷺ - 1) Hadrat Aishah *radīyallāhu anha* and Hadrat Hafsa ؓ conspired to kill Nabī ﷺ by poisoning him 2) Hadrat Aishah *radīyallāhu anha* committed adultery. (Allah ﷻ forbid!)

5) Qur'ān – The Shias believe that the Qur'ān we possess is one which has been tampered. They believe that the true Qur'ān was given to Hadrat 'Alī ؓ, who then passed it on to the succeeding imāms. It is now in the possession of the 12<sup>th</sup> hidden imām, who will bring it forward before *Qiyāmah*. According to their narrations the actual Qur'ān had over 17000 verses, but was tampered by Hadrat Abū Bakr ؓ and Hadrat 'Umar ؓ. Complete sūrahs were removed like *Sūrah Wilāyah*, which they claim shows the *imāmat* of Hadrat 'Alī ؓ. If any verses of the Qur'ān are contrary to their belief, they interpret the Qur'ān with strange, far-fetched ideas conforming to their sectarian views.

6) *Mut'a* – This is referred to a settlement a man makes with a woman that he will take her as his wife for a fixed period of time, on payment of a fixed amount of money. During that time, he can have intercourse with her. No witnesses, *wakīl* (guardian) or *qādī* is needed. No one else needs to be told about it. There is no responsibility on the man to maintain the woman, or provide clothing or residence to her. With the expiry of the settled period, *mut'a* ends. Khomeini has written in Tehrīlul Wasīlā that *mut'a* can be done with prostitutes as well, and can be for any amount of time, for an hour or two, or even less. According to them, this sacred act is more virtuous than *ṣalāh*, fasting and *ḥajj*, since one who does this filthy act once, receives the rank of Hadrat Husayn ﷺ; twice, the rank of Hadrat Hasan ﷺ; thrice, the rank of Hadrat 'Alī ﷺ; and four times, the rank of Nabī ﷺ. (Allāh ﷻ save us from such perverted beliefs!)

7) *Kitmān* - This refers to concealment of one's faith and not to reveal it to anyone. According to them, Nabī ﷺ commanded the Shias to conceal the belief of *imāmat*, and he himself refrained from expounding it before the Muslims. According to one narration of theirs, their imam once said to his disciple, "O Sulaymān, you follow a religion that whoever will conceal it, God will bestow honour on him, and whoever will reveal it, he will be disgraced by God." "Among my disciples, he is most dear to me who is more righteous, knows the religion well and conceals our teachings and keeps the secrets more than others.

8) *Taqiyya* - This means putting up a deceptive appearance or pretending to make a statement to hide the truth or mislead a Sunni. *Taqiyya* allows a Shia to cheat, deceive, befool, betray or harm a non-Shia, particularly a Sunni and for these acts he will be rewarded by Allāh ﷻ according to the teachings of

Shism. With *taqiyya*, a Shia can pretend to be a Sunni and can even refute the fundamental beliefs of his religion, just to gain something insignificant from a Sunni, he can inflict a wound or insult a Sunni, and for these evil acts he believes he will be rewarded. In short, the basis of *taqiyya* is hypocrisy or pretension and its purpose is to harm the Sunnis in every possible way. According to some of their narrations, *taqiyya* is 9/10<sup>th</sup>'s of faith and one who lacks *taqiyya* lacks almost the whole faith.

8) *Raj'at* – This is a fundamental belief of the Shia religion. It is their belief that prior to the day of resurrection, during the era of Hadrat Mahdī, the dead person has to come back to the world. The pious persons of the highest category as well as their enemies will be brought back to life. The pious will then take revenge from their opponents. The Shias state that when Imām Mahdī appears, he will order the exhumation of the bodies of especially Hadrat Abū Bakr ﷺ and Hadrat Umar ﷺ. Their naked intact bodies will be hung on a tree for public show. Then Imām Mahdī will restore them to life. Then they will be punished for the sins of the entire mankind, since its inception, since all these sins devolve on these two noble sahābah ﷺ.

## **SHI'ITE TREACHERY TOWARDS ISLAMIC GOVERNMENTS**

The stance of most Shi'ites, scholars and laymen alike, towards the Islāmic Governments throughout history has been, if the government was powerful and well established, to honour its leaders in consonance with their tenet of *taqiyya*, for the purpose of material gain. If however, the government is weak, or is under attack by enemies, they side with the

enemies against it. Their objective is to create disunity in the *ummah*, and to cause corruption on land. Hereunder are some documented incidents which portray their true colours:

\* Amirul-Mu'minīn, Ḥaḍrat 'Uthmān ؓ was murdered by the fore-runners of the Shi'ite movement.

\* Ḥaḍrat Ḥusayn ؓ, the grandson of Nabī ﷺ was betrayed by these people at the time of need, leading to his eventual martyrdom.<sup>2</sup>

\* Under the instigation of the Shi'ites, the Abbasids revolted against the Umayyad *khilāfat*, thus eventually overthrowing them.

\* It is an established fact that Iran was a Sunni nation until the tenth century of the *hijri* calendar. During this period, Iran produced thousands of scholars in every discipline; the most salient of these facts is that the six most authentic books of *aḥādīth* were written by scholars from Iran, or those who received their education in Iran. However when the Safawi Shi'ites took control, they established their government on the skulls of the Sunni scholars and jurists. This was one of the reasons for the evacuation of the largest cities that were at the foremost centres of Islamic sciences, such as Tibriz, Isfahan, Ray and Tus. There were many Sunni Muslims that were killed, forced into Shism, or compelled to flee into the mountains, leaving Iran as a centre for conspiracies against Islām and the Muslims. Ferdinand, the ambassador to the Austrian king, remarked, "Had it not been for the Safawids in Iran, we would have been reading the Qur'ān this day like the Algerians," meaning that his nation would have been

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<sup>2</sup> This has been admitted to by the Shias themselves. Scholars can refer to Qātilāna Ḥusayn ki Khana Talashi by Maulana 'Abdush Shakūr Luckhnawī

conquered by the Ottoman Muslims. However the Safawids conspired with the crusaders and the imperialists to halt the Islamic expansion in France and Vienna."<sup>3</sup>

\* The last *khalīfa* of the *Abbāsīd Khilāfat* in Baghdad, Al-Mu'tasim billāh, was murdered by the Shias. Ibn Qayyim writes in *Ighāthatul Luhfān* some of the heart-rending episodes enacted by the Shias, "They murdered the *ulamā* of Islām - the *qādīs*, the *fuqahā* and the *muhaddithīn* – and befriended the philosophers, astrologers and sorcerers. They transferred the *waqf* funds of the *masājīd*, *madāris* and *marābit* to the atheists. They erected institutions for these atheists. Abū Ja'far Tusī (the Shi'i) endeavoured to substitute the Qur'ān with *Ishārāt*, the book of Ibn Sinā, the leader of the atheists, but did not succeed. He said that the book *Ishārāt* is the Qur'ān of the elite. He tampered with *salāh*, and attempted to fix it at two, but did not succeed." With Shia help, a quarter of the Muslim population of Baghdad was murdered in cold blood. Copies of the Qur'ān and books of *ahādīth* were burnt. Those who loudly claim to be lovers of the family of Rasūlullāh ﷺ initiated a witch-hunt for the children of *Hadrat* 'Abbās ؑ, the uncle of Rasūlullāh ﷺ. They were mercilessly murdered by the Shias. These acts of injustice were perpetrated with the connivance, instigation and advices of Ibn Alqami (minister of the *khalīfa*) and Nasruddīn Tusī (philosopher and scholar), both Shias. These enemies of Islām cooled the fire of their hatred in this brutal way with the aid of the Tartar barbarians.

\* From the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 9<sup>th</sup> centuries, the Shias remained slightly concealed with their *kufr* beliefs. During this time, they

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<sup>3</sup> Extract of an article by Shaykh 'Abdur Raḥmān al-Balūchī - Shism exposed

destroyed great Islāmic states. It is for this reason that they were considered to be enemies of Muslims. Whenever they found the opportunity, they devastated the political power of the Muslims. With regards to those times, ‘Allamah Anwar Shāh Kashmīrī رحمۃ اللہ علیہ writes, "The destruction of most of the Islāmic states took place at the hands of the Shia. May Allāh ﷻ disgrace them!"<sup>4</sup>

\* Mir Sādiq who conspired against and got Sultan Tippu murdered as well as Mir Ja‘far who spied against his master, Nawab Sirājuddîn owed their allegiance to the Shia Rāfidī religion.

\* The Shi‘i Fātimides in North Africa and Egypt subjected the *Ahl us Sunnah* to untold brutalities. The Egyptian Fātimide government beheaded every such Muslim who opened his tongue against the *imāmat* of Hadrat ‘Alī رضی اللہ عنہ.

\* The Iranian priests of today clamour much about *jihād*. But Shism has not waged a single *jihād* under the banner of Islām for the sake of Islām and Allāh ﷻ in all the centuries of Islāmic history. Their salient features have always been schemes, plots, conspiracies and intrigues of strife and murder directed against the people of the *Sunnah*. Even the anarchy unleashed in Iran by the Shi‘i priests was not *jihād* in the path of Allāh ﷻ. It was a plain political struggle to wrest power from the shāh. Religion is always used by the Shias for worldly political ends. In fact, according to Khomeini the goal and ultimate purpose of religion is politics. Islāmic history bears fact that the standard-bearers of Islāmic *jihād* have always been the *Ahl us Sunnah*, never the Shias. In this regard, Ibn Taymiyyah states in Minhājus Sunnah, "The Shias do not wage *jihād* against the

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<sup>4</sup> Faydul Bārī vol.1, p.172

disbelievers, the enemies of *dīn*. On the contrary, many of them befriend the enemies of Allāh ﷻ. In their hatred for Muslims, they aid the disbelievers. They have hatred for the friends of Allāh ﷻ and the believers. They become the allies of Allāh ﷻ's enemies, the polytheists, Jews and Christians, just as they have become enemies of the noblest of creation, viz. the *Muhājirīn*, the *Ansār* and their followers." In another place he writes, "You will find them (the Shia) helping the polytheist, the Jews and the Christians against the Muslims who believe in the Qur'ān. The people have experienced this several times in the past. The Shias helped the Tartars against the Muslims in Khurasan, Iraq, Jazirah, Syria and other places. They helped the Christians against the Muslims in Syria, Egypt and other places several times – the greatest of which occurred in the 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> centuries. When the Tartars invaded the Islāmic lands and killed many Muslims, the number of which is only known by Allāh ﷻ, they (the Shia) were from the severest of people in enmity towards the Muslims and in aiding the disbelievers."<sup>5</sup> This is the Shi'ite stance even today. While slating America as the 'Satan', Iran has joined hands with the disbelievers of America, India, Russia and Israel against the Tālibān of Afghanistan.

The revolution brought about by Khomeini was started with the massacre of Sunnis; a large number of Sunnis were falsely accused of being anti-revolutionary and were shot dead publicly without trials and without getting the opportunity for legal defence. Hundreds of them were put to death under one pretext or another. The homes and villages of Sunni Kurds were mercilessly bombed on several occasions, claiming the

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<sup>3</sup> Minhājus- Sunnah, vol.1, p.5

lives of hundreds of lives of innocent men, women and children.

According to the Times report, 60 % of the murderers involved in the massacre of the Sabra-Shatila camp in Lebanon were Shias, the followers of Khomeini. The news spread throughout the world, but Khomeini did not deny this allegation.

It is generally thought that Saddam Hussein of Iraq started a war with Iran. However, well informed people know that long before Iraq attacked Iran, Iranian agents had begun a propaganda drive against Saddam in Iraq, starting a guerrilla war against it, without a declaration. Thus, despite repeated appeals by Islamic countries, Iran refused to end hostilities. <sup>6</sup>

\* It is a well established fact that explosives were found on some Iranian pilgrims at the Jeddah airport on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Dhul Hijjah 1404.

\*In 1982, a delegation of World Islamic mission visited Iran for a conference held in Tehran. They reported:

a) There are half a million Sunni Muslims in Tehran but have not been allowed to build their own *Masjid*, although there are 12 Christian churches, 2 Hindu temples, 2 Jewish synagogues and 2 temples for fire-worshippers. During the reign of the Shāh, they would perform *Eid Salāh* in the park, but now are banned. The *Sunnis* are not allowed to hold any gatherings for the purpose of *da'wah* and *tabligh*.

b) Sunni Muslims are not allowed to publish their religious books. Before they would import them from Pakistan, but this was outlawed during the Khomeini regime.

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<sup>6</sup> Condensed and edited from 'Behind the Curtain' (pp. 51- 62)

c) Although the Sunnis comprise 35% of the population, they are only 27 Sunni members of parliament. Their percentage in the Administrative and Judiciary council is almost zero.<sup>7</sup>

## **KHOMEINI**

Since Khomeini portrayed himself to be a reviver of Islāmic faith and an enemy of Satan America, many Muslims regard him to be a champion of Islām and a saviour of the Muslim *ummah*. Hereunder are some of his own words regarding fundamental issues in our religion which are non-negotiable:

1) The *imām* enjoys such power over the law of cause and effect, and place of worthiness and position of eminence that every particle of the universe bows before his power and authority and obeys his command. (Al Hukūmatul Islāmiyyah, p. 52)

2) Among the essential and fundamental beliefs of our religion is the belief that our innocent *imāms* hold the station which cannot be reached by any favourite angel, messenger or apostle. (ibid) One cannot even imagine any act of negligence or error on the part of the *imāms*. (ibid, p. 91)

3) Whichever prophet came did so for the enforcement of justice. Their object was also to enforce justice across the whole world; however they were not successful, including the Seal of Messengers ﷺ, who came for the reformation of mankind and the enforcement of justice. He came for the training of mankind, but was unsuccessful in even his own era.

4) In *Kashful Asrār*, a book written by Khomeini, great detail has been mentioned regarding the *ṣahābah* ﷺ, the crux of which is:

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<sup>7</sup> Nidā-e-millat, Lucknow – Shism: Myth or reality by Abu Ilyās Chisti Sabiri

1) Hadrat Abū Bakr and Hadrat ‘Umar ﷺ were not true believers. They only accepted Islām in their greed for power and authority.

2) Even if the Qur’ān had specifically mentioned the name of Hadrat ‘Alī as *imām* and *khalīfah* after Nabī ﷺ, these people would have not given up their aim and objective. For them it was an ordinary matter to act against the Qur’ānic injunctions and the Divine decree. They would have easily removed the verse carrying the command in favour of Hadrat ‘Alī ﷺ. If not, they would have concocted a *hadīth* showing that the verse was abrogated. Thus Allāh ﷻ did not mention the command of Hadrat ‘Alī ﷺ being appointed as the *khalīfah* in the Qur’ān.

3) If the first two khalīfahs realised that they would not be able to succeed with the supposed verse in favour of Hadrat ‘Alī ﷺ, they would have abandoned Islām together with their supporters. Like Abā Jahl and Abū Lahab, they would have risen against Islam.

4) Hadrat ‘Uthmān ﷺ, Hadrat Mu‘āwiyah ﷺ and Yazīd belonged to the same class of tyrants and criminals.

5) All the other *ṣahābah* in general either sided with the first three khulafā’ or were so overawed by them that they could not utter a word of protest or disagreement.

Khomeini has written, "When I enter Makkah and Madīnah as the conqueror, my first duty will be to get to the grave of Nabī ﷺ and exhume the bodies of these two idols."<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>8</sup> Extracted from Khomeini and the Shia religion by Maulānā Manzūr Nu‘mānī ﷺ

These are just a few statements mentioned to show his true beliefs. According to him, he is actually the representative of the twelfth imām and the nominee of Nabī ﷺ as his successor, and as such, he is entitled to all loyalty and obedience that is due to the messenger and the imām, and all the steps he takes are in the same capacity. He has made no effort to conceal his position and the logical consequence of it is that he should endeavour to bring the whole world under his rule and authority.

## **AFFINITY BETWEEN JUDAISM AND SHI'ASM**

Since the Shias are the offspring of Jews, we find that many of their evil and reprehensible traits and qualities are similar. From the following, we can easily see the reason for the affiliation and contact between these two groups:

1. *Kitmān* – As mentioned before, this refers to concealing one's belief and dogmas from others. Examples from the Shia books are,  
"Allāh will grant a higher and more respectable position to that person who will conceal his (Shia) religion from others, and will degrade and defame the person who publicises and makes his religion known to others." Mullā Fathullāh Kashanī has written that Nabī ﷺ too practised *kitmān*. Though he was commanded by Allāh ﷻ to openly declare Hadrat 'Alī ؑ as his *wasî* and successor, he did not do so for a long time.

The Jews also practise *kitmān* as is evident from the Talmud and *Kabālah*,

"It is forbidden to initiate a non-Jew into the secrets of the Law. The Jew who concerns himself with this is guilty as if

he laid waste the world and denied the sacred name of God."

"Every goy (non-Jew) who studies the Talmud and every Jew who helps him should die."

2. *Taqiyya* – This means any action or statement of a Shia to deceive another, especially the *nasbis* (*sunnis*). Lying, cheating, deceiving and impersonation are all allowed under *taqiyya*. *Taqiyya* is not only allowed, but is so important an article of faith that any Shia who does not practise it goes out of the fold of their religion. History is replete with examples of Shia imposters and deceivers. During the rule of Jehangir, the Moghul emperor, Qādī Nūrullāh Shustarī, an eminent Shia *mujtahid*, practising *taqiyya* and pretending to be a sunni, reached the rank of Grand Qādī and corrupted the faith of millions. *Taqiyya* also allows a Shia to steal everything which belongs to a Sunni. A little research will show that the source of *taqiyya* lies in the weird ceremony performed by Jews as the first ritual on the Day of Atonement, in late September or October every year. In it the Jews chant the following words thrice at dusk in the synagogue, "All vows, obligations, oaths, anathemas which we may vow, swear or pledge, or whereby we be bound, from this Day of Atonement unto the next whose happy coming we await, we do repent. May they be deemed absolved, forgiven, annulled, and void and made of no effect; they shall not bind us nor have power over us. The vows shall not be reckoned vows; the obligations shall not be obligatory; nor the oaths be oaths." [Kol Nidre vol. 7 p. 539]

"Jews may befool and cheat non-Jews." [Yore Deah 167:2]

"God has given Jews power over the possessions and blood of all nations." [Seph. Jp. 92:1]

"A Jew is allowed to rape, cheat and perjure himself, but he must take care that he is not found out, so that Israel may not suffer." [Choshen Hamishpat 348]

3. Killing of the pious – The Noble Qur’ān mentions the evil action of the Jews that they would kill the *ambiyā* and pious amongst them. The same is true of the Shias who throughout history have been the cause of the death of great *ṣahābah* ﷺ e.g. the killing of Hadrat ‘Uthmān ؓ, fanning the flames of civil war during the battle of Jamal, assistance of the Tartars, killing of Tālibān, war against Iraq, killing of innocent *sunni ulemā* in Iran, etc.
4. Slandering the pious – Jews slandered Hadrat Maryam *radīyallāhu anha* accusing her of adultery. They claimed that Hadrat Sulaymān ؑ disbelieved. They accused ‘Isā ؑ of being an imposter. They did not believe in Nabī ﷺ, despite knowing the reality. The Shias slandered Hadrat Ayesha *radīyallāhu anha*. They claim that Hadrat Abū Bakr and other great *Ṣahābah* ؓ disbelieved. They fabricate many statements, attributing them to great luminaries of Islām.
5. Alteration of books – The Jews excelled in interpolating their religious books, according to their whims. Allāh ﷻ states, "Woe to those who wrote the book with their own hands, then they said, "This is from Allāh ﷻ," so that they could purchase thereby a small gain. Woe to them for that which they wrote and woe be to them for that which they earned." The Shiās too have fabricated so many books of *aḥādīth*, which they claim is revelation from their imām. All these books are mere forgeries contrived by them. Another action of theirs is to write books and

attribute authorship to senior *ulemā* of the *Ahl us Sunnah*. Criticism of the *ṣahābah* and refutation of the path of the *Ahl us Sunnah* is recorded in such fabrications e.g. *Sirrul Âlimīn* is attributed to Imām Ghazālī رحمته الله عليه. Many other such forged books were prepared. Another method employed by them is to substantiate their baseless claims by citing from books of the *Ahl us Sunnah* which are rare. In the absence of these books, denial becomes difficult and ordinary people are misled.

6. *Mut'ā*<sup>9</sup> – The object of this despicable act is to destroy the fabric of society and the moral lives of people. No religion ever permits such filth, obscenity and immoral laxity. From the sunni point of view, *mut'ā* is nothing short of fornication and adultery, whereas the Shias regard it to be an act of extreme piety. The tendency of Shias to legalize adultery has its roots in Judaism, as is apparent from the following texts cited in the Talmud,

"We are told that a prostitute-hire is permitted." [Abodah Zarah 62b]

"When anyone finds that evil appetites are taking hold of his senses, let him repair to some place where he is unknown; there let him dress himself in black and indulge the impulses of his heart." [Mo'ed Katan 17a]

7. Feeling of racial superiority and usage of filthy language for others - "Every sunni is illegitimate and worse than a dog." [Faro-e-Kafi 1:8]

"Except our Shias, all others are the progeny of prostitutes." [Faro-e-Kafi]

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<sup>9</sup> In the initial stages of Islam, temporary marriage was permissible. A proper *nikâh* would take place, in front of witnesses. However this ruling was thereafter abrogated. This is far from the legalized prostitution which the Shias regard as one of their most superior forms of worship.

8. World domination – In the Protocols of the Learned Elders of the Zion we learn that the Jews have plans to exterminate all the religions of the world and to dominate the world. World-domination, including the domination of Muslim countries is the ultimate goal of Israel and Iran is very active in helping Israel to achieve this goal. The Iraq-Iran war was to weaken the Muslims. Israel supplied weapons to Iran to continue the war. Through Iran, Israel is creating trouble in other Muslim countries like Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Pakistan. Hafiz Asad, a Nuseiri Shia was with Iran and Israel to help eliminate Sunni Palestinians. The ultimate aim of the Shias and Jews are the same. According to the Shias when the twelfth imām will appear, he will administer justice according to the law of the descendants of Dāwūd ﷺ [Usulul Kāfi vol.2 p.183]. Zion is the name of a hill in ancient Jerusalem. Jews believe that Dāwūd ﷺ built a temple there. The rebuilding of this temple is their ultimate aim.

## **POINTS TO PONDER**

Rasūlullāh ﷺ mentioned: '*Dajjāl* would be followed by seventy thousand Jews of Isfahan wearing Persian shawls.' [Muslim]

At the present moment in Iran, Jews are spread out in three big cities, Tehran, Hamdan and Isfahan. According to official Iranian sources, they are about 30,000 Jews residing there. Isfahan is exactly in the middle of Iran, surrounded by Shia cities (as if the Shias protect them). They have very good relationships with the government, (yet sunnis are considered the biggest enemies), as well as with Shia scholars. They have also deputies in the Iranian Parliament. For so many Jews to be able to gather here during true Muslim rule was quite

possible, since Islām has allowed non-Muslims to reside under Muslim rule, as long as certain conditions are met. But for such a large number to be able to enjoy religious freedom in this area, under Shia rule, who are 'known' as the arch enemy of Israel, that is quite difficult to believe. Iran's threats to Israel are so daring and vicious, that one would think that not even one Jew could ever survive in the land of their rule. But if an investigation is made into the reality of the area of Isfahan, an entirely different picture comes to the fore. Far from being arch enemies of the Jews, the Iranian government, has not only befriended the Jews of Isfahan, the army of *Dajjāl*, explicitly mentioned in ahādīth, but have in fact offered them whatever aid and assistance they require to set up their base.

An article that appeared on the internet site, uk.news, reveals strange facts, regarding this matter:

A photograph of the Iranian president, Ahmadinejad, holding up his identity card during elections in March 2008 clearly shows his family has Jewish roots. A close-up of the document reveals he was previously known as Sabourjian – a Jewish name meaning cloth weaver. The Sabourjians traditionally hail from Aradan, Mr Ahmadinejad's birthplace, and the name derives from "weaver of the Sabour", the name for the Jewish Tallit shawl in Persia. The name is even on the list of reserved names for Iranian Jews compiled by Iran's Ministry of the Interior. Experts last night suggested Mr Ahmadinejad's track record for hate-filled attacks on Jews could be an overcompensation to hide his past. A London-based expert on Iranian Jewry said that "jian" ending to the name specifically showed the family had been practising Jews.

According to information provided on the site Wikipedia: Iran hosts the largest Jewish population of any Muslim-majority country. After Israel, it is home to the second-largest

Jewish population in the Middle East. Ayatollah Khomeini met with the Jewish community upon his return from exile in Paris and issued a *fatwā* decreeing that the Jews were to be protected. Iran has one of only four Jewish charity hospitals in the world. The hospital has received donations from top Iranian officials, including President Ahmadinejad.

And to compound all of this, for the first time in 1400 years, the Jews have sounded the *shofar* (the ram's horn blown on religious ceremonies) inside of the Peninsula to celebrate their triumphant re-entry into the Peninsula since they were forced from the area of Khaybar, which they used to inhabit.<sup>10</sup> The Jews consider Isfahan a holy place, more than that of Jerusalem. You can now realize why they do not leave Iran to Palestine, especially Isfahan. They want to be 'honored' to follow their leader *Dajjāl*.

And if you read Shia books, you will find that the descriptions of their Al-Mahdī are the same EXACTLY as the descriptions of Al-Dajjāl (before he loses his eye). And by the way, Shia do not believe in something called Al-Dajjāl.

## **CONCLUSION**

1) Shism is certainly not a school of thought of Islām as is believed generally. On the contrary, it has got its own philosophy and framework, which is completely alien to Islamic principles and precepts. In fact the ideological Shism is an anti-Islāmic ideology. The religion of Shism was invented only to curb and crush Muslims and Islām.

2) Shism is actually another form of Judaism, having the same designs and objectives against Islām and the Muslims. In other

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<sup>10</sup> Excerpt from Shaykh Abu Hamza's book 'Allāh's Governance on Earth' about Jews in Bilādul Haramayn:

words, the religion of Shism is nothing but Judaism in the garb of Islam. The operational Shism only serves the purpose of Jews and Israel. Iran against Iraq, the Shia militia in Lebanon who massacred the Palestinian Muslims, Israel assisting and selling arms to Iran during the Iran-Iraq war and many other examples are clear proof of this.

3) Muslims should realize the great enmity which the Shias possess for Islām and the Muslims in general. They should be wary of them, and not be deceived by their funding of religious causes and charity. These are merely to fulfil their aims of attaining support of the sunni Muslims. Muslims should also be very wary of reports regarding their victory over western armies as this has been their plot from before, so that sunni Muslims are duped into believing them to be saviours for Islām.

4) More lectures should be given and more publications should be prepared regarding the rank of the ṣaḥābah ﷺ, so that people are not misled into their false beliefs. We should understand that the ṣaḥābah ﷺ are a criterion of truth, and since Allah ﷻ has declared His pleasure on them, we have no right to object or question their actions and sincerity. May Allāh ﷻ protect one and all from the evil of these sects, keep us steadfast on *īmān*, and may He grant us death on *īmān*, love for the ṣaḥābah, and hatred for the enemies of Islam. *Āmīn*

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## **Rank of the Sahâbah Kirâm ﷺ**

Allâh ﷻ has praised the Sahâbah ﷺ in many Qur'ânic verses:

"And the first believers i.e. the Muhâjirîn (the emigrants from Makkah Mukarramah), the Ansâr (the citizens of Madînah Munawwarah who helped the Muhâjirîn) and also those who followed them sincerely, Allâh ﷻ is pleased with them and they are pleased with Him. He has prepared for them Gardens under which rivers flow, to dwell therein forever. That is the supreme success." (*Taubah: 100*).

When the Tâbi'î, Muhammad ibn Ka'b al-Qurd رَضِيَ اللهُ عَنْهُ was asked regarding his opinion of the Sahâbah ﷺ, he replied that they will all without exception, enter Jannah. When further asked to substantiate, he cited the above verse. "Indeed, Allâh ﷻ was pleased with the believers when they gave their pledge to you (O Muhammad ﷺ) under the tree. He knew what was in their hearts, thus He sent down calmness and tranquility upon them..." (*Fath: 18*)

Rasûlullâh ﷺ said: "The best amongst my Ummah is my generation, thereafter those that will succeed them and thereafter those that will succeed them." (*Bukhârî*)

Rasûlullâh ﷺ said, "When my Ummah begins to do these fifteen things, calamities will descend on them." After mentioning 14, Nabî ﷺ said, "When the latter of the Ummah will curse and criticize their predecessors (Sahâbah ﷺ and the great Imâm), then await red dust storms, earthquakes, caving in of the earth, transfiguration and the raining of stones from the heavens." (*Al-Ishâ'at*)

"Fear Allâh ﷻ! Fear Allâh ﷻ regarding my companions. Do not make them a target after me because he who loves them, has loved them due to his love for me, and he who hates them, has hated them due to his hatred for me. He who harms them, has harmed me and he who harms me, has harmed Allâh ﷻ. Thus Allâh ﷻ will soon take them to task." (*Tirmidhî*)

“When my Sahâbah ﷺ are mentioned (vilified) then withhold.”  
(*Tabrânî*)

“Do not abuse my Sahâbah ﷺ, for if any of you were to spend gold equal to (the mountain of) Uhud in charity, it would not equal a handful of one of them or even half of that” (*Bukhârî, Muslim*)

“Whoever abuses my Sahâbah, upon them is the curse of Allâh ﷻ, the angels and all the people.” (*Tabrânî*)

Abu Urwah Zubairi رضي الله عنه says that once mention was made in the gathering of Imam Malik رضي الله عنه of a person who used to speak ill of the Sahâbah رضي الله عنهم. Imam Malik رضي الله عنه recited the 29th verse of Sûrah Fath until the words "li-yagheedha bihim ul kuffar" (that He may enrage the disbelievers with them, i.e. the Sahâbah رضي الله عنهم) and thereafter said, "The person who bears anger in his heart for Rasûlullâh ﷺ or any of the Sahâbah رضي الله عنهم is the opposite of those mentioned in this verse (i.e. such a person's Îmân is at stake because this verse has regarded getting angry with the Sahâbah as a sign of disbelief.) (*Maqâme Sahâbah, The Rank of the Sahâbah* ﷺ)

'Abdul-'Azîz al-Qârî رضي الله عنه said that Imam Abû Hanîfah رضي الله عنه declared anyone who doubts the caliphate of Abû Bakr رضي الله عنه and 'Umar رضي الله عنه as a disbeliever. He also declared anyone who slanders the Mother of the Believers 'Âishah رضي الله عنها to be a disbeliever. And he stated that the prayer behind a Rafidî [extremist Shî'ah who curses and abuses the Companions] is invalid.

Once Hadrat Ghauth-e-A'dham, Sayyid Abdul Qadir Jilânî رضي الله عنه spoke on the virtues of Hadrat Umar bin Abdul Aziz رضي الله عنه and Hadrat Uways Qarnî رضي الله عنه. A man enquired, "How does Amîr Mu'âwiyah رضي الله عنه compare with these two?" This question set Hadrat Ghauth-e-A'zam ablaze. He replied, "If Amîr Mu'âwiyah رضي الله عنه is seated on a horse which he is riding in the path of Allâh ﷻ, then the dust which gathers on the mucus in the horse's nostrils is superior to thousands of men of the calibre of Umar Ibne Abdul Aziz رضي الله عنه and Uwais Qarnî رضي الله عنه."

## Qualities of the Hypocrites

In the beginning of the Qur'an Karîm, Allâh ﷻ describes the qualities of the believers briefly in three verses, the qualities of the disbelievers briefly in two verses, and then the qualities of the hypocrites in detail in thirteen verses; since they are the enemy within. Till Qiyâmah, these hypocrites will remain. These qualities to a great extent are found in the Shiâs. Allâh ﷻ states in Sûrah Baqarah,

وَمِنَ النَّاسِ مَن يَقُولُ آمَنَّا بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ وَمَا هُمْ بِمُؤْمِنِينَ

Amongst people there are those who say, "We believe in Allâh ﷻ and in the Final Day, whereas they are not believers. (Their belief in Allâh ﷻ is mixed with many polytheistic beliefs and they believe in raj'at where reckoning will take place in this world )

يُخَادِعُونَ اللَّهَ وَالَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَمَا يَخْدَعُونَ إِلَّا أَنفُسَهُمْ وَمَا يَشْعُرُونَ

They (attempt to) fool Allâh ﷻ and the believers, but they fool only themselves without realising it. (They will suffer disgrace in the world when exposed and everlasting punishment in the hereafter).

فِي قُلُوبِهِمْ مَّرَضٌ فَزَادَهُمُ اللَّهُ مَرَضًا وَلَهُمْ عَذَابٌ أَلِيمٌ بِمَا كَانُوا يَكْذِبُونَ

A disease (hypocrisy, disbelief, hatred for the Sahâbah ﷺ, mut'â) lurks in their hearts, and Allâh ﷻ increases their disease. They shall suffer a painful punishment on account of the lies (taqiyyâ) they speak.

وَإِذَا قِيلَ لَهُمْ لَا تُفْسِدُوا فِي الْأَرْضِ قَالُوا إِنَّمَا نَحْنُ مُصْلِحُونَ

When they are told, "Do not cause corruption on earth (deceiving the Muslims, creating disunity and war among the Muslims, selling the secrets of the believers)," they say, "We are but reformers."

أَلَا إِنَّهُمْ هُمُ الْمُفْسِدُونَ وَلَكِن لَّا يَشْعُرُونَ

Behold, they are the corruptors, but they do not realise it."

وَإِذَا قِيلَ لَهُمْ آمِنُوا كَمَا آمَنَ النَّاسُ قَالُوا أَنُؤْمِنُ كَمَا آمَنَ السُّفَهَاءُ أَلَا إِنَّهُمْ هُمُ السُّفَهَاءُ وَلَكِن لَّا يَعْلَمُونَ

When they are told, "Believe like the people (i.e. the Sahâbah ﷺ) believe," they say, "Should we believe like the fools believe?" (they possess no love nor respect for the Sahâbah ﷺ) Behold! It is they who are indeed the fools, but they do not know it.

وَإِذَا لَقُوا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا قَالُوا آمَنَّا وَإِذَا خَلَوْا إِلَىٰ شَيَاطِينِهِمْ قَالُوا إِنَّا مَعَكُمْ إِنَّمَا نَحْنُ مُسْتَهْزَؤُونَ

When they meet those who believe, they say, "We believe," (due to their belief of kitmân - concealment and taqiyyâ) but when they are alone with their devils, they say, "We are really with you. We were only mocking (the believers)."

اللَّهُ يَسْتَهْزِئُ بِهِمْ وَيَمُدُّهُمْ فِي طُغْيَانِهِمْ يَعْمَهُونَ

It is Allâh ﷻ who mocks them and gives them rope in their disobedience as they wander blindly (since they possess no divine book and are waiting for their divine law, which is hidden with their twelfth imam for the past 1000 years).

أُولَئِكَ الَّذِينَ اشْتَرُوا الضَّلَالََةَ بِالْهُدَىٰ فَمَا رَبِحَت تِّجَارَتُهُمْ وَمَا كَانُوا مُهْتَدِينَ

These are the people who have purchased misguidance at the price of guidance, so their trade shall neither be profitable, nor will they be guided.

مَثَلُهُمْ كَمَثَلِ الَّذِي اسْتَوْقَدَ نَارًا فَلَمَّا أَضَاءَتْ مَا حَوْلَهُ ذَهَبَ اللَّهُ بِنُورِهِمْ وَتَرَكَهُمْ فِي ظُلُمَاتٍ لَا يُبْصِرُونَ

Their likeness is like that of people who lit a fire (outwardly believed). When the surroundings lit up, Allâh ﷻ took away their light (of Îmân) and left them in the darkness (of disbelief and hypocrisy), unable to see.

صُمُّ بُكْمٌ عُمَىٰ فَهُمْ لَا يَعْرِفُونَ

Deaf (not prepared to hear the truth), dumb (cannot speak the truth) and blind (not prepared to see the truth), they will never return (from misguidance to guidance).

أَوْ كَصَيْبٍ مِّنَ السَّمَاءِ فِيهِ ظُلُمَاتٌ وَرَعْدٌ وَبَرْقٌ يَجْعَلُونَ أَصَابِعَهُمْ فِي آذَانِهِم مِّنَ الصَّوَاعِقِ حُدُورَ الْمَوْتِ

وَاللَّهُ مُحِيطٌ بِالْكَافِرِينَ

Or like pouring rain from the sky (Qur'ân and the correct religion) accompanied by a huge amount of darkness (difficult commands like actions of worship, jihad, and abstaining of desires) as well as thunder (verses warning one of Allâh's punishment) and lightning (conquests and booty). For fear of death, they push their fingers in their ears because of the thunder (thinking that if they do not hear the verses, they will be saved from divine punishment just as a rabbit closes its eyes on seeing a hunter thinking that it will be saved). Allâh ﷻ encompasses the disbelievers (they can never escape Him).

يَكَادُ الْبَرْقُ يَخْطَفُ أَبْصَارَهُمْ كُلَّمَا أَضَاءَ لَهُمْ مَشَوْا فِيهِ وَإِذَا أَظْلَمَ عَلَيْهِمْ قَامُوا وَلَوْ شَاءَ اللَّهُ لَذَهَبَ

بِسْمْعِهِمْ وَأَبْصَارَهُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ

Soon the lightning (conquests and booty) may snatch away their eyesight. Whenever it lights up for them (they attain worldly benefits), they walk in it, but when darkness overcomes them, they stand still. If Allâh ﷻ wills, He could even take away their abilities of hearing and seeing. Verily Allâh ﷻ has power over all things.

