



IN THE NAME OF ALLAH

The Reappearance Signs

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THE END OF THE YAMANI RISE

Yamani and his companions will fight against Sufyani. His rise will not be weak and limited. It will affect many areas.

The question rises whether Yamani's rise will be defeated before the Reappearance or his rise will continue till the Reappearance and if he would meet Imam Mahdi (PBUH) or not?

Due to lack of existence of credible narrations in this regard, there is no decisive answer to this question. However, there are some hadith which mention that the Yamani's rise will be connected to the time of the Reappearance....¹

¹ The new thinking in the Reappearance signs, Page 104-110

THE CRITERIA TO RECOGNIZE YAMANI

We should always be concerned about being mistaken in recognizing the signs of reappearance and its harmful consequences [such as weakening the beliefs of the people]. For this reason, in addition to recommending to be precise and to avoid precipitance, the general criteria that are brought to us via hadith will be pointed:

1-The rise of Yamani will be initiated from Yemen (His rise is important not himself). 2-This rise will be concurrent with the rise of Sufiani in Syria. 3-He is a virtuous and value-centered person: he will not abuse his powers, his behaviors are according to what is mentioned in the Quran and Hadiths and he is apart from deviations and weakness.

Because “most of the social movement leaders” would like to give a good image of themselves, so evaluating the true Yamani in a short period of time is not an easy thing to do! It requires careful attentions on his speech and acts...

THE REASONS FOR THE IMPORTANCE OF SUFYANI

- 1- Sufyani has been mentioned as one of the definite signs of the Reappearance in the narrations.
- 2- One of his most important goals is to attack the Shia settlements and kill the Shias.
- 3- This event has a greater significance to the other signs of the Reappearance and takes up more time!
- 4- About one hundred narrations have been passed on us from the Imams on this subject. Therefore, we can see why Al-Nu'mani devoted one chapter about this sign in his book, Al-Ghayba which is one of the most important and the oldest sources of Mahdism narrations.

IS SUFYANI A SYMBOL OR A REAL FIGURE?

Thinking of Sufyani as a symbol does not agree with numerous Hadiths!

In some narrations, Sufyani's name and his descent are mentioned and in some other narrations, it is even talked about his look and physical appearance. Some have mentioned his religion and/or place and time of his rise and others talks about his attack to Iraq, Medina and Mecca, or even how he will be murdered...

It's not approved by the scholars to consider all of these Hadiths to be metaphorical statements. Thus, we must consider Sufyani as a real person, not a symbolic term!

THE NAME OF YAMANI

- 1- Yamani: Most of the narrations from Imams describe the name “Yamani”. Regarding the question that: “When will Imam Mahdi (PBUH) reappear?” , Imam Baqir (PBUH) replied: “When the men get similar to the women ...and Sufyani rises in Levant (Syria) and Yamani rises in Yamen...”
- 2- Mansour al-Yamani: “Imam Baqir (PBUH) said: “... Then Mansour al-Yamani with his army will move from San’a towards them”” (so the name “Mansour” has also been used.)
- 3- The Caliph Yamani: “It has been narrated from Ertat that: “At the time of Yamani leader (Caliph Yamani) who will conquer Rome and Istanbul, the antichrist will appear...””
- 4- Qahtani: “Apparently one of the different tribal families in Yemen is Qahtan.”²

² Thinking about the Reappearance signs, page 70-79

SIMULTANEOUS HAPPENING OF YAMANI AND SUFYANI RISES

Imam Sadiq (PBUH) said: “Sufyani’s appearance and Yemani’s appearance with white flags from Yemen will be on the same day and the same month and the same year.”³

It is possible that this is “an implication to intensity the adherence of these two incidents” and this has no contradiction to existence of a little distance between them. For example:

Imam Sadiq (PBUH) has said: “Yamani and Sufyani will be after each other as two race horses.”⁴

³ Al-Ghayba, Tusi, p. 446

⁴ Al-Ghayba al-Nu’mani, Chapter 18, Hadith 15

THE TIME OF THE RISE OF YAMANI ACCORDING TO THE SUNNI NARRATIONS

There is an extreme disagreement among the Sunni narrations over the time of the Rise of Yamani:

- 1- Some believe the Rise of Yamani (Qahtani) is before the Reappearance.
- 2- Some believe it is concurrent with [the Reappearance] of Imam Mahdi (PBUH).
- 3- Some believe it is after Imam Mahdi's (PBUH) demise!

And even in some of the other narrations, Yamani is said to be Imam Mahdi himself (PBUH)!⁵

⁵ Tammol-i No Dar Neshane-haye Zohour (A New Reflection on the Reappearance Signs), p. 87-90

THE RISE OF YAMANI

There are many narrations stating that the “location of the rise of Yamani” and locality of formation of his movement will be in Yemen. For example Imam Sadiq (PBUH) said: “The rise of Yamani will be from Yemen with white flags.”⁶

“The exact activities and details of the rise of Yamani” is not clear in narrations! Maybeu the reason for not revealing this is to avoid planning of his enemies against him. Also it is possible that the details are explained in the words of Imams but have not reached us.

⁶ The epitome of Ithbat ar-Raj'a, p. 455

FALSE YAMANI PRETENDERS!

- 1- Abd al-Rahman ibn Ash'ath
- 2- Yazid ibn Mulaḥḥab
- 3- Abd al-Rahman ibn Muhammad
- 4- Abd Rahim ibn Abd al-Rahman
- 5- Ahmad Hassan Yamani: Born in 1973, of descendant of the tribe of Siamer, he is not Sayyed but he wore black turban (only Sayyeds wear black turban)! And he claimed to be a humble, naive and rural man, but after a while he claimed to be "Imam Mahdi's representative" and then to be "Imam Mahdi" himself.
- 6- Sayyed Hussain Badr al-Din al-Huthi: The member of the Yemeni parliament between 1993 and 1997, he was killed about the year 2004 near Yemen's border with Saudi Arabia.⁷

⁷ For further information refer to the book of "Taamoli dar neshanehaye zohur (Reflection on the Reappearance Signs)", Ayati, p. 50-63