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Now that we have come to the prophecies about the advent of Imam Mahdi (a.j.) and Prophet Jesus, son 'of Mary (a.s.), it is advisable to describe these subjects in some detail, because Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani claimed not only to be a prophet but also to be Imam Mahdi (a.j.) and Jesus - thus giving the world another example of 3-in-1 identities.

In numerous traditions, appearance of Imam Mahdi, then of Dajjal, then of Prophet Jesus have been mentioned as the confirmed signs immediately before the Qiyamah (Resurrection Day). As the Qadianis are very fond of quoting (out of context, of course) from writings of the Sufis especially from Al-Yawaqeat wal-Jawahir of Sheikh Abdul Wahhab Sha'arani and Al-Futulatul Makkiyyah of Sheikh Muhyiddin Al-Andalusi, I would prefer to quote from these two books only on this subject, to show what these two Sufis believed Sheikh Abdul Wahhab Sha'arani writes

in Al-Yawaqeat wal-Jawahir:

Chapter sixtyfifth: to show that all the conditions of Qiyamah (foretold by the Holy Prophet S.) are truth and all of them must appear before coming of Qiyamah.

"And those signs are like appearance of Mahdi, then of Dajjal, then coming down of Jesus and appearance of Dabba and rising of sun from its setting place and the Qur'an being taken up^[1] and opening of the barrier of Gog and Magog.

Even if there was only one day remaining from (the age of) the world, all of these signs would appear surely.

At that time the appearance of Mahdi (a.j.) should be expected; and he is the off-spring of Imam Hasan Al-Askari; his birth '(peace be on him) was on the night of 15th Sha'ban in the year 255, and he is alive till he meets Jesus, son of Mary (a.s.). 'Thus his (Imam Mahdi's) age at this time (i.e., the year 958 Hijri) is 703 years".

And Sheikh Muhyiddin writes in Al-Futuhatul-Makkiyyah (Chapter 366): "Know that Mahdi (a.j.) (Allah he pleased with him) must appear. But he will not appear till the world becomes full of tyranny and injustice, then he will fill it with justice and equality; and if there is no more than one day remaining from the (age of the) world. Allah will make that long enough to enable this Caliph to rule. And he (Imam Mahdi) is from the progeny of the Messenger of Allah (Blessings and peace from Allah be upon him) from the children of Fatimah (Allah be pleased with Her); his fore-father is Hussain, son of Ali bin Abi Talib.

His father is Hasan Al-Askari (son of Imam Ali Al-Naqi, son of Imam Muhammad Al-Taqi, son

of Imam Ali Al Ridha, son of Imam Musa Al-Kadhim, son of Imam Ja'afar Al-Sadiq son of Imam Muhammad Al-Baqir, son of Imam Zainul Abedeen Ali, son of Imam Husain, son of Imam Ali bin Abi Talib; his name is the name of the Messenger of Allah (i.e. Muhammad); the Muslims will do his 'Bay'at' (will declare their allegiance to him) between Rukn (i.e Yamani) and Maqam (-e-Ibrahim) (i.e., in Ka'aba).

He will be like the Messenger of Allah (Blessing and peace from Allah be upon him) in appearance, and below him in character, because nobody can be like the Messenger of Allah (Blessings and peace from Allah be upon him) in character as Allah says: "Verily thou art on great character" He will distribute the wealth equally and will do justice to the public More people will abstain from sin because of his fear rather than because of the Qur'an. (Because of his blessings) a man who would be ignorant, coward and miser in the evening would become learned, brave and generous in the morning. Help (from God) will walk in his front; he will follow the footsteps of the Messenger of Allah and he will commit no mistake; there will be an angel supporting him without his seeing him; he will raise up the weary, help the weak.

His action will be according to his words, and his words according to his deeds he will destroy the injustice and unjust and will raise the religion and will put the life back into Islam. Allah, through him, will strengthen the Islam after its dishonor and will make it alive after its death; he will revoke Jaziya (personal tax payable by non-Muslims in an Islamic state) and will call towards Allah with sword.

He will manifest the religion as it is in reality, so that if the Messenger of Allah (Blessing and peace from Allah be upon him) were alive would have confirmed it. Thus, in his time there will not remain hut the religion pure from (the people's) views.

"Jesus, son of Mary (a.s.), will come down to him in the White minaret in the eastern part of Damascus leaning upon two angels (one on his right side, the other on his left) when the people will be in the prayer of Asr (afternoon); Jesus a.s.; will break the cross and kill the swine Mahdi (a.j.) will die clean and pure and Mahdi (a.j.) appeared in the 4th period (i.e. after ."(Tabaeen) then he went into seclusion till comes the known (or appointed time

A Comparison

Now, let us compare Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadianis particulars with those of Imam Mahdi:

1. Genealogy: As Sheikh Muhyiddin Ibn al-'Arabi (and Sheikh Abdul Wahhab Sha'arani in short) wrote, Imam Mahdi (a.j.) is the son of Imam Hasan Al-Askari whose genealogy he has recorded up to Amirul-Mumeneen Ali bin Abu-Talib (a.s.); and all his ancestors (up to Ali bin

Abu-Talib) are the well-known figures of history and are the Imams of the Shia Ithna-asheri. This specific genealogy does not leave any room for Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani to claim that he was the said Mahdi. He was Ghulam Ahmad son of Ghulam Murtaza son of Ata Muhammad son of Gul Muhammad.

So far as his origin is concerned, he seems to make various contradictory statements. Sometimes he claimed to be a Mongol; at others to be a Chinese; sometimes he was of Persian origin, at others of Turk. And the world knows him as a Punjabi Indian.

2. Date and Place of Birth: Imam Mahdi (a.j.) was born on 15th Sha'ban, 255 A.H. in Samarra in Iraq; and in the year 958 his age was 703 years.

Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani was born in 1839 or 1840 A.D., i.e., about 1000 years after the birth of Imam Mahdi (a.j.), and he did not live even up to 76 years as he claimed to be promised by God. He was born in Qadian in India.

3. Removal of Tyranny: Imam Mahdi (a.j.) will remove all the tyranny and injustice from the world, and will fill the earth with justice and equity.

And after the advent of Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani injustice and oppression seem to increase day by day in this world.

4. His Appearing: Muslims will do the Bay 'at of Imam Mahdi (a.j.) between Rukn and Maqam of Ka'aba. Mirza Ghulam Ahmad did not even see the Rukn and Maqam.

5. Distribution of Wealth: Imam Mahdi (a.j.) will distribute so much wealth that nobody will remain needy and no one will accept the charity any more. Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani, till the last days of his life, depended upon others donations and contributions.

In the beginning it were the Muslims who were approached to contribute towards the publication of his books; in the end it were his followers who were taxed to support him and his family.

6. Infallibility: Imam Mahdi (a.j.) will commit no mistake. Mirza Ghulam Ahmad's life is full of the mistakes in deeds and beliefs.

7. Jihad: Imam Mahdi (a.j.) will call towards the path of Allah with sword. Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani abrogated and cancelled the Jihad (Holy War) and made the fighting in the cause of religion unlawful.

8. Result of the endeavor: In Imam Mahdi's (a.j.) time, Allah will make Islam victorious over all religions and there will not remain but Islam, pure from all blemishes. Mirza Qadiani's life came to an end without fulfilling that important task.

During Imam Mahdi's time, Islam will get strength. By the claim of Mirza Qadiani, Islam became weaker even than before.

9. Coming of Prophet Jesus (a.s.): During the days of Imam Mahdi (a.j.) Prophet Jesus, son of Mary (a.s.) will come down to assist him and will pray behind him. Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani could not persuade Prophet Jesus (a.s.) to come down; so he claimed to be Jesus himself.

10. Eclipses: At the advent of Imam Mahdi (a.j.) there will be lunar eclipse on the 1st night of Ramadan and solar eclipse on 15th night of Ramadan. This sign, is yet to appear.

11. Sunrise from West: The almost last of the signs at the time of Imam Mahdi (a.j.) will be the rising of the sun from its setting place. After this sign, the conversion to Islam will not be acceptable, nor will such conversion be of any avail. This sign is yet to appear.

12. Death: Imam Mahdi (a.j.) will die clean and pure. Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani died of epidemic cholera which is the dirtiest disease.

13. Imam Mahdi's Concealment and re-appearance: The above quotations make it clear that Imam Mahdi (a.j.) son of Imam Hasan Al-'Askari (a.s.) is concealed from the people after the death of his father; he is living and he will reappear and fill the world with justice and righteousness. His re-appearance is so certain that even if a single day is left before the end of the world, that day will be prolonged by God for him to appear and rule the world.

See: (1) Al-Yawaqeat wal-Jawahir Sheikh Abdul Wahhab Sha'ariini who is (according to him) supported in this respect (a) by two saints viz. Sh. Hasan Iraqi and Sh. Ali-ul Khawas, (b) by Sheikh Muhyiddin Ibn al-'Arabi in the 336th Chapter of Futuhat; (2) Mukashafat Hashiah Nafahat by Maulana Ali Akhbar Maududi (3) Shawahid-un-Nubuwwah by Maulana Jami; (4) Fasl-ul-Khitab by Khwaja Mohammad Parsa; (5) Hashia of Fasl-ul-Khitab by the author himself;

(6) Kitab Manaqib-wa-Ahwale Aimmah-e-At'har by Sh. Abdul Haq Mohaddis Dehlavi; (7) Rawzat-ulAhabab by Jamal-ud-Din Mohaddis; (8) Tazkarah Khawas-ul-Ummah by Sibte Ibn Jawzi; (9) Kitab-ul-Bayan by Mohammad bin Yusuf Kanji Shafii, who has also written arguments against the doubt as to the length of the life of Imam Mahdi;

(10) Al-Fusul-ul-Mohimmah by Noor-ud-Din ibn-Sabbagh Maliki; (11) Matalib-us-Suool by Kamal-ud-Din bin Talha Shafii; (12) Mir'at-ul-Asrar by Maulana Abdur Rahman Sufi; (13) Barahin-e-Sabatiah by Qazi Jawad Sabati.

The full details of the birth of Imam Mahdi (a.j.) are given in the books number (3), (4) and (6) quoted above and the incidents which led to his concealment in number (1), (3), (7) and (11).

Shah Waliullah of Delhi in his two books (1) Musalsalat, well known as Fazl-ul-Mubin and (2) Nawadir, has reported a tradition of the Prophet through "the Imam of the present period, the concealed Imam, Mohammad Mahdi; son of the Imam Hasan Al-Askari".

Obviously, Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani cannot claim that any of these details can fit him in any way.

14. Not a Follower of any other Muslim Scholar: Imam Mahdi (a.j.) will neither be a follower in Fiqh (The Islamic Laws) of any other person nor will he act upon analogies. His source of knowledge will be from God and direct communion with the Prophet of Islam, Muhammad Al-Mustafa (S).

Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani, on the other hand, followed the Fiqh of Imam Abu Hanifa till the last day of his life; and so do his followers up till now, Therefore, Mirza cannot claim to be Imam Mahdi

Other Signs

After the appearance of Imam Mahdi (a.j.) , Qiyamah (The Day of Judgment) will come very soon. The Holy Prophet (S) has said that ten signs will appear before Qiyamah. Hudhaifa bin Usaid al-Ghifari said that once the Holy Prophet (S) came to us and we were talking. He asked us what we were talking about. They said: "We are talking about Qiyamah". The Holy Prophet (S) said: "Verily, it will not stand (it will not come) until you see ten signs before it. Then the (Holy Prophet (S) described (1) The Smoke; (2) and Dajjal; (3) and Dabbat'ul-Ardh; (4) and Rising of the Sun from its setting place; (5) and Coming Down of Jesus, son of Mary; (6) and Gog and Magog; (7) and three Land-slides, one in the east; (8) and another in the West; (9) and one in the Arabian Peninsula; (10) and the last of these signs will be a Fire which will appear from Yemen and will turn the people towards their Mahshar (the gathering place in the Qiyamah)".

Many of these signs are mentioned in the Qur'an:

1. Smoke: "So await the day when the sky shall give out a smoke, clearly visible enveloping the people: This will be painful chastisement". (Qur'an, 44: 10-11)
2. Dabbat'ul-Ardh: "And when the word shall come to pass on them We shall bring forth unto them a walking one from the earth who shall speak unto them that the people believed not in our signs". (27:82)

That Dabbat'ul-Ardh is reported to be 'slapping the Satan' (Tabarani: Mu'jam-ul-Kabir), and branding the people on their noses (Musnad Ahmad bin Hanbal from Abu Amama). That branding will be to differentiate between believers and unbelievers (Traditions of the Imams of Ahlul Bayt (a.s.).

3. Gog and Magog: "Until are let loose the Gog and Magog and they shall hasten forth from every elevation, and the True promise (of Qiyamah) shall draw nigh" (21: 96-97).

4. Rising of Sun from West and Dajjal are included in this verse: "On the day when come some of the signs of thy Lord, its faith shall profit not a soul which believed not before or earned not good through its faith; say 'Wait you; verily we too are waiting'." (6:159).

Abu Huraira said that the Holy Prophet said: "Qiyamah will not come till appear impostors Dajjals nearly 30 in number, every one of them pretending to be messenger of God and till the Sun rises from its present place of setting (West); Thus, when the people will see it, all of them will accept the true faith, and that will be the time when will not benefit any soul its faith which had not believed from before that time or which had not earned good in its belief". (Jame'ul Fawaid).

2nd Tradition: "There are three signs when they appear, its faith shall profit not a soul which believed not before or earned not good through its faith: Rising of the Sun from its setting place, and Dajjal, and Dabbat'ul-Ardh".

In presence of such clear prophecies which surely have not appeared yet, the pathetic attempts of the Qadianis to twist them, misinterpret them, discredit them, reject them, or in any way to make them mean what they do mean, is really very amusing.

They believe that Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani was the Imam Mahdi; but not a single Signs amongst these ten signs has appeared yet. The Qadianis have not tried to fit the Signs of Smoke, three land-slides and the Fire of Yemen on some incidents so far. But they pathetically .try to twist the meanings of all other signs

Dabbat'ul-Ardh

For example they say that Dabbat'ul-Ardh (The Walker of the Earth) means 'evil religious scholars of the Muslims' who rejected Mirza Qadianis claim. Perhaps they did not know that Dabbat'ul-Ardh will be a Judge to brand every unbeliever and he also will slap Satan. If the Muslim scholars who branded Mirza Qadiani as kafir (unbeliever) are that 'Walker on the Earth', !then Mirza Qadiani was either an unbeliever or the Satan

Sunrise from West

Qadianis say: The sign of Imam Mahdi (a.j.) that the sun will rise from the West, does not mean that this sun of our world will rise from West instead of East. It means that the light of Islam will reach the West.

Facts: The tradition says that the sun will rise from west; while this interpretation means that the sun will reach to west. This interpretation would have been correct if the tradition would

have said that the sun would reach the west. Moreover, the, full tradition shows that this will be the last of the signs before the Day of Qiyamah, and that after its appearance, conversion by non-Muslims to Islam would be of no use. So naturally this sign cannot mean the "spread of Islam", as the 'Qadianis pretend

Lunar and Solar Eclipses

Qadianis say: The sign of the solar and lunar eclipses in the month of Ramadan were fulfilled in the year 1894 AD. (See Safina e-Nuh).

Facts: The tradition mentioned is this: "There will be lunar eclipse on the first night of Ramadan and solar eclipse in the middle of the month."

This sign will be an extraordinary sign from God; because moon eclipse always occurs between 13th and 15th nights of the lunar month (but the tradition says that it will occur on the first night), and solar eclipse always occurs at the end of the lunar month, i.e., 28th to 30th days of the lunar month, when moon is not visible (but the tradition says that it will be eclipsed on 15th day of Ramadan, when the moon is fully visible).

Now what was the fact of the eclipses of 1894? The sun eclipsed as usual on the 28th Ramadan, not on the 15th Ramadan (as the tradition says) and the moon eclipse was, as usual, on the 13th night of Ramadan, and not on the first night as the tradition says.

See Zamima-e-Anjame-Atham pages 46-48, which was written by Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani himself.

If the Qadianis want to believe that 1=13 and 15=28, they are welcome to it. By the way; if '1' can be equal to 13, why can't it be equal to '3', as the believers in 3-in-1 say?

Late Molwi Sayyid Barkat Ali, Gosha Nashin, of Wazirabad (India) writes in his book False Prophet of Qadian" (p.135): "Another point should be noted in connection with this. These eclipses should have taken place before, and not after the advent of the Mahdi. The occurrence of the solar and the lunar eclipses is not an uncommon phenomenon even in the month of Ramadan. Such eclipses have taken place many times even before this.

"Many books as Ghayat-ul-Maqsoud; Ibne• Khallekan, Asl-i-Musaffa, Hidayah Mahdi, Hadith ul-Ghashiah, Mahdi (a.j.) Nama, Tarikh-i-Ahmad and the like, show that in the following Hijri years the solar and the lunar eclipses took place in one and the same month:

62, 63, 85, 92, 107; 108, 132, 152, 241, 242,
285, 286, 308, 508, 509, 531, 553, 554, 687,
688, 731, 732, 776, 911, 954, 959, 1088, 1133,
1134, 1200, 1210, 1222, 1223, 1267, 1312.

"The Mirza proclaimed his so-called divine mission in Hijri 1308, but the solar and the lunar .eclipses took place in the month of Ramadan in 1311. These eclipses cannot help the Mirza

Jesus, Son of Mary (a.s.)

After appearance of Imam Mahdi (a.j.) and that of Dajjal, Prophet Jesus, son of Mary (a.s.) is to come down to help Imam Mahdi (a.j.) .Qadiani missionaries try to mislead the Muslim masses by quoting the traditions in which the reappearance of Prophet Jesus, son of Mary has been foretold.

They say that Prophet Jesus was a Nabi and still his reappearance is not against the belief of the Finality of the Prophethood of Prophet Muhammad Al-Mustafa (S). Thus the Finality of Prophethood is also a fact, and in spite of that Finality the advent of the prophet Messiah is also a fact.

After that, they say that the promised Messiah does not refer to Prophet Jesus, son of Mary (a.s.) because he is already dead and the traditions which foretell the coming of the promised Messiah' refer to a 'likeness of Messiah'.

The third step is to claim that Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani was that 'Likeness of Jesus, son of Mary and therefore, the belief in his Prophethood is not contrary to the belief of the Finality of the Prophethood of Prophet Muhammad Al-Mustafa (S).

It must be mentioned here that the Claim that Prophet Jesus (a.s.) is dead does not effect the common Muslim belief that he will come again before the end of the world to help Imam Mahdi (a.j.) Akheruz-zaman (a.s.); because even if we accept for the sake of argument that Prophet Jesus (a.s.) is dead, God is Powerful enough to make him alive second time and send him to help Imam Mahdi (a.j.) before the end of the world. As the question of life or death of Prophet Jesus (a.s.) has no material effect on the Muslim belief, I promised to leave this topic out from this small booklet.

Now, let us look at the other supposition of the Qadianis. It will be helpful to look at some traditions from the authentic Sunni books, which have bearing on this topic: "Abu Huraira said that the Holy Prophet said: 'I swear by Allah in Whose hand is my soul, surely will come down to you the son of Mary, as a just ruler; then he will break the cross and kill the swine and will stop the war (or as in some other traditions, will revoke the Jaziya - the personal tax) and there will be so much wealth that nobody (be needy enough to) accept any charity and for the people, one Sajda (prostration) for Allah will be better than the whole world and its contents.

(Bukhari, Kitab Ahadithil-Anbiya, Babu Nuzule Isa bin Mariyam; Muslim Babu Nuzule Isa; Tirmizi, Abwabul-Fitan, Babu Nuzule Isa; Musnad Ahmad bin Hanbal, Marwiyyatu Abi Huraira).

It is better to explain the significance of breaking the cross, killing the swine and revoking the Jaziya.

As everybody knows the whole structure of Christianity is based upon the belief that God caused the death - a cursed death - on cross to His only son who became a 'Kaffara' (Atonement for the hereditary sin of mankind); and the peculiarity of Christianity among all the religions brought by the previous prophets is that they put the whole emphasis on faith and abrogated the law so much so that they started eating even the pork which was strictly forbidden in Torah.

When Prophet Jesus (a.s.) will come down and will announce that neither was he a son of God nor was he crucified on any cross nor was he made an atonement for anyone's sin, the whole structure of present day Christianity will be demolished. And likewise, when he would explain that he did never allow his followers to abrogate the Law and to eat the pork and treat the Shariah as abrogated, the second peculiarity of Christianity will come to an end.

Thus the words 'will break the cross and will kill the swine' denote the fact that the Christianity as a religion will be abolished; there will be no basis for its peculiar faith nor for its peculiar deeds and behavior. Likewise the words "he will revoke Jaziya mean that the differences of religions will come to an end; everybody will come within the pale of Islam; there will be no need for any war to defend Islam nor anybody will be liable to pay Jaziya. Thus, all these wordings point to the fact that the whole world will come within the circle of Islam.

Abu Huraira said that the Holy Prophet said: "Qiyamah will not come until Jesus; son of Mary (a.s.) comes down". Then the same things have been mentioned as in the previous tradition (Bukhari Kitabul Malahim, Babu Kasrisalib; Ibnu Majah, Kitabul Fitn, Babu Khurujiddajjal).

"Abu Huraira said that the Holy Prophet said: 'What will be your condition when the son of Mary will come down to you and your Imam will be from amongst you'.

(Bukhari, Kitab Ahadithil Anbiya, Babu Nuzule Isa; Muslim Babu Nuzu1e Isa; Musnad Ahmad bin Hanbal Marwiyyatu Abi Huraira).

This refers to the fact that Prophet Jesus (a.s.) will not lead in the prayer, but the Imam of the Muslims who will leading them will lead in the prayers, and Prophet Jesus will follow him.

"Abu Huraira said that the Messenger of Allah said: 'Jesus, son of Mary will come down then he will kill the swine, and will destroy the cross and the prayers will be joined for him, and he will distribute so much wealth that there will remain nobody in need of it, and he will revoke the revenue and rent, and will stay at Rauha (35 miles from Medina), and will do from there Hajj or Umra together. (The doubt is from the Rawi (narrator) who did not remember the exact wording of the Holy Prophet)'.

(Musnad Ahmad, Marwiyyatu Abi Huraira; Muslim, Kitabul Hajj, Babu Jawaz-tamattu fil-Hajje wal-Queran).

Abu Huraira said (after mentioning the appearance of Dajjal) that the Messenger of God said: 'Meanwhile when the Muslims will be making preparation to fight him and will be arranging their lines, and Iqama (establishment of Prayer) will have been recited for the prayer when

Jesus, son of Mary will come down and will lead the Muslims in the prayers.

And the enemy of Allah, i.e., Dajjal, will start dissolving as the salt is dissolved in water; and if Jesus (a.s.) were to leave him as he was, he will dissolve by himself, but Allah will kill him on his (Jesus's) hand, and he will show the Muslims his blood in his spear. (Mishkat, Babul

Malahim, with reference to Muslim).

"Abu Huraira said that the Messenger of Allah said: 'There is no prophet between me and him, i.e. between Muhammad and Jesus (a.s.) and he is surely to come down. When you see him you will recognize him: he is a man of middle weight, of blond color between red and white, he will be wearing two robes of yellow color; and the hair of his head will look as though water will drop from it though it will not be wet, he will fight people for Islam, will shatter the cross, will kill the swine, will abolish the Jaziya, and Allah will remove all other religions in his time; he will kill Dajjal, and will remain alive for forty years; then he will die and Muslims will offer prayer over his Janaza (funeral).

(Abu Dawood, Kitabul-Malahim, Babu Khurujiddajjal; Musnad Ahmad bin Hanbal, Marwiyyatu Abi Huraira).

"Jabir bin Abdullah said that I heard the Messenger of Allah saying: 'then will come down Jesus, son of Mary: the Imam of the Muslims will request him to come forward and lead the prayers, but he will say, No, you are the Leaders of one another, because of the honor given by Allah to this Ummah". (Muslim Bayanu Nuzule Isa bin Mariyam, Musnad Ahmad bin Hanbal, Marwiyyatu Jabir bin Abdullah).

"Jabir bin Abdullah said that Umar bin Khattab requested the Messenger of Allah to allow him to kill him (Ibn' Sayyad). But the Messenger of Allah replied that if this is he (i.e. Dajjal) then you are not the one to kill him; he will be killed by Jesus son of Mary only and if he is not that man then you have no right to kill a person who is protected by us. (Mishkat, Kitabul-Fitan, Babu Qissati ibn Sayyi'd, with reference of Sharhus-sunnah Imam Baghawi).

Jabir bin Abdullah said that the Messenger of Allah said that then all of a sudden Jesus, son of Mary will come among the Muslims and prayer will be arranged and he will be told, "O Spirit of Allah, come forward". But he will say, "No, your Imam should lead you in the prayers." Then after the morning prayer Muslims will come out to fight Dajjal.

When that liar will see Prophet Jesus (a.s.) he will start dissolving as salt dissolves in water. Then Prophet Jesus will advance towards him and kill him; and at that time even the tree and stone will start calling him, "O Spirit of Allah, this, Jew is hiding behind me". Thus there will be none among the followers of Dajjal but he (Jesus a.s.), will kill him".(Musnad Ahmad, Marwiyyatu Jabir bin Abdullah).

Nawwas bin Sam'an Kilabi says (in the story of Dajjal) that at the time (when Dajjal will be doing his mischief) Allah will send Messiah, son of Mary; and he will come down on the eastern side of Damascus, near the white minaret, wearing two clothes of yellow color, keeping his hands on the arms of two angels; when he will bow down his head, it will seem as though the drops are dropping from his head, when he will raise his head the drops will drop like pearls; whenever his breath will reach to an unbeliever (and that will reach to the furthest limit of his eye sight) that unbeliever will die at once, then the son of Mary will chase Dajjal and will catch him at the gate of Ludd (present day's Lod, near Tel Aviv, Israel, there is an Air Force base of Israel nowadays) and will kill him. (Muslim, Dhikruddajjal; Abu Dawood, Kitab ul-Malahim, Babu Khurujid Dajjal; Tirmizi, Abwa bul-Fitan, Babu Fitnatid Dajjal; Ibnu Majah, Kitab ul-Fitan, Babu Fitnatiddajjal).

Abu Amama Bahili narrates (in a long tradition about Dajjal) that while their (Muslims) Imam would have come forward to lead the morning prayer, Jesus, son of Mary, will come down among them and the Imam will retreat to get Jesus forward but Jesus will put his hand between his shoulders and will say, "No, you should lead the prayer because it has been established for you". So he will lead the prayer. After finishing the prayer, Prophet, Jesus (a.s.) will say, "Open the door". The door will be opened.

On the outside, Dajjal with seventy thousand well-armed Jews will be present to fight them. 'When Prophet Jesus (a.s.) will look at him, he will start dissolving as salt dissolves in water; and he will flee. Prophet Jesus (a.s.) will say "I have for thee an attack which thou canst escape". Then he will catch him at the eastern gate of Ludd (Lod); Allah will defeat the Jews; the face of Earth will be full of the Muslims, as a water-pot is filled with water. The whole world will recite the Kalemah and none will be worshipped but Allah".

The same events are narrated in other numerous traditions in Musnad Ahmad, Tabarani, Hakim and everywhere the words used are 'Jesus son of Mary will come down'. And anybody who will read the traditions will see that there is no hint of any 'promised Messiah', 'likeness of Messiah', or 'appearance of Messiah'. And there is no chance for anybody, being born 1810 years after Jesus, son of Mary, from the womb of his mother and loin of his father to claim that .he was Jesus son of Mary

Conclusion from these Traditions

All these traditions in very clear words are "foretelling the advent of Prophet Jesus" son of Mary (a.s.) who was born from the womb of Mary without any father, some 2000 years ago. As I told earlier, it serves no purpose to argue whether he is dead or alive. Even if he is dead, when Allah wants to bring him down at the time of the appearance of Imam Mahdi Akheruz-zaman (a.j.). He is powerful enough to bring him back to life. The second thing which should be clear even to a blind is that Imam Mahdi (a.j.) and Prophet Jesus (a.s.) are two persons not one. But Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani claimed to be Imam Mahdi (a.j.) and Jesus, son of Mary, both together.

They always proclaim a supposed tradition that 'There is no Mahdi (a.j.) except Jesus' But those very authors who have recorded it have declared it to be a forgery, Sheikh Suleiman Barahi Qanduzi quotes in his book "Yanabi-ul-Mawaddah", from Jawahir-ul-Iqdain of Samhudi:

'Samhudi writes: "And the tradition of Hasan Basri from Anas bin Malik: The condition will get from bad to worse; the world will be in the worst state, miserliness will be most prevalent among the people; Qiyamah will occur when the worst of the people will be existing. Mahdi (a.j.) is no other (person) but Jesus son of Mary has been narrated by Shafei and by Ibn Majah in his Sunan and by Hakim in his Mustadrak; and, he (Hakim) has said: "I have narrated this tradition thinking it ridiculous, not that I think it authentic".

"And Baihaqi has said that: 'This tradition is narrated only by Muhammad bin Khalid; and Hakim said that he was unknown and Nasai has clearly said that he was unacceptable; and Ibn Majah said that nobody has narrated it from Muhammad bin Khalid except Shafei".

Then the author of Yanabi-ul-Mawaddah has given three clear proofs showing that this tradition is nothing but forgery.

Now, the attempts of Mirza Qadiani and his followers to make Mahdi (a.j.) and Jesus one and the same person on the strength of this forged tradition is just pathetic. Those who wrote it in their books refuted it as being unauthentic, forged and based on the authority of someone who is either non-entity or unacceptable.

And compare it with hundreds of traditions which clearly show that Imam Mahdi (a.j.) and Jesus son of Mary are two separate identities. Can anyone in his right senses say that all those hundreds of authentic tradition should be discarded for one forged tradition just to prove that

Mirza Ghulam Ahmad was Mahdi (a.j.) and Messiah both in one Christians 3-in-1 god? The third thing which is clear to the same degree from these traditions is that Prophet Jesus son of Mary will come in the second appearance as a Nabi. There will not be any revelation to

him; he will not bring any new message; nor a new Shariah; he will not add or subtract anything from the Shariah of Muhammad; he will not renew the Shariah of Muhammad in this world; he will not call people to believe in him; he will not make a separate ummah of his followers. He will be sent down just one special duty; that will be to annihilate the Fitna (sedition) of Dajjal. He will come down for this purpose, in such a manner that the Muslims amongst whom he will come down, will have no doubt that he is the Jesus, son of Mary whose advent was foretold by Prophet Muhammad Al-Mustafa (S).

He will mingle in the Jama'at of the Muslims, and will follow Imam of the Muslims and will keep forward the same Imam Mahdi (a.j.) who will be the Imam of the Muslims at that time, so that nobody may entertain the idea that he has come back in his previous position of an Ulul-Azm Prophet.

When he will come and join the Jama'at of the Muslims as a common Muslim he will automatically demonstrate that he has not come as a prophet to call the people to believe in him. And it was for this reason that all the Muslim authors have expressly said that the second advent of Prophet Jesus, son of Mary is not against the belief in the Finality of the Prophethood of Prophet Muhammad Al-Mustafa (S).

His second coming will be just like the presence of a previous president of a country in the country during the tenure of the office of the ruling president. If he helps the present president on the order of the latter, nobody will say that the previous president is acting in the capacity of the president of the country. If a previous president helps the ruling president, it is not deemed as challenging the validity of the presidency of the present president.

Of course, if that previous president were to try to usurp the office of the present president, or if somebody was to reject even the previous presidency of the ex-president, it would be tantamount to treason. But if nobody rejects or refutes the previous validity of the ex-president, and if that ex-president is not calling people to swear their allegiance now to him, nobody can say that just by helping the present president, the ex-president is breaking the tenure of the office of the ruling president.

Thus, if Prophet Jesus (a.s.) during his second advent were to call people to believe in him or if somebody was to reject even his previous prophethood, it will be against the Islamic belief. But as Prophet Jesus (a.s.) at that time will not call people to believe in him, the Muslims will not be required to believe in a new Nubuwwah (Prophethood).

They will be required to keep the same belief in his previous Nubuwwah (Prophethood) which they do have even today and which even Prophet Muhammad Al-Mustafa (S) had had. Thus his second coming will not affect the Khatm an-Nubuwwah (Finality of the Prophethood)

neither today nor in the days to come.

The fourth thing which is clear from these traditions and other numerous similar traditions is that Dajjal, who will be annihilated during the second advent of Prophet Jesus (a.s.), will be from among the Jews, and will present himself as Messiah.

It is necessary to mention that after the death of Prophet Solomon, Bani Israel's history goes from one fiasco to another. At last, after the captivity in Babylonia and Syria, they were scattered everywhere; and their prophets gave them good tidings that a Messiah was to come from God who would save them from dishonor and disgrace.

So, they were awaiting a Messiah who according to their thinking was to be a king, who was to fight wars, conquering countries, gathering Israelites from all over the world, and bringing them within Palestine, establishing a very great, strong and powerful kingdom of the Jews. Against their expectations, Prophet Jesus, son of Mary, came from God; they did not accept him as Messiah as he was not a king, he did not establish any kingdom neither strong nor weak so they refuted his claim and tried to kill him.

Thenceforth, all the Jews in the world are awaiting the expected Messiah, hoping that he would be a martial and political leader who will establish a Jewish Kingdom from Nile to Euphrates and will collect all the Jews in that land which they believe is theirs by inheritance. Now if somebody looks at the condition of Middle East today and studies the above-mentioned prophecies of the Holy Prophet of Islam, he will feel that the stage is well prepared for the appearance of that Dajjal who would claim to be the promised Messiah of the Jews.

Muslims have already been turned out of a bigger part of Palestine and a Jewish state has been established in the name of Israel. The world's Jews are coming to reside in that state and thanks to the Western powers, it is now a power to reckon with. The Zionists have declared openly that they want to reclaim the lands of their inheritance and the maps which they have published of the future Jewish state encircle the whole of Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, almost whole of Iraq and some parts of Turkey, Egypt, the delta of Nile and the parts of Saudi Arabia including Khaiber and Medina.

It does not require great intelligence to realize that if in future a world war is started, the Jews will try to capture these lands. At that time Dajjal will appear claiming to be that promised Messiah; and as the Holy Prophet (S) said, at that time Muslims will undergo such hardships and disasters that one day will appear like one year.

For this reason he told his Ummah to seek the refuge with God from this Fitna of Dajjal. And to fight against that impostor Messiah, Allah will not send any likeness of Messiah but the same original Messiah who two thousand years ago was rejected by the same Jews and whom they,

according to their thinking he crucified and destroyed; the place of coming down of that original Messiah will not be India, Africa or Pakistan; but Damascus, because it will be at that place that fighting will be going on at that time. And that impostor Messiah will enter Syria with an army of 70,000 Jews, and will reach near Damascus. Exactly at that crucial time, Prophet Jesus, son of Mary will come down on the eastern part of Damascus near the white minaret. And after the morning prayer, will lead the Muslims to fight against Dajjal and Dajjal will flee away from his attack and at last Prophet Jesus will catch him near the gate of Ludd (Lod) and he will be killed. Then the Jews will be killed and Judaism will vanish. Likewise the present-day Christianity will come to an end by the declaration of Prophet Jesus (a.s.). All religions will merge into Islam. So it is clear from all these traditions that the prophecies of the Holy Prophet (S) do not entertain the idea of any likeness of Messiah or the appearance of Messiah; but the same Messiah who was rejected by the Jews and who will bring the Jews as well the Christians to the right path by helping Imam Mahdi (a.j.) Akheruz-zaman; and thus the whole world will gather under the banner of Islam and will recite one Kalema "La Ilaha Illallah Muhammadun . "Rasulallah

A Comparison Again

Apart from that general review, let us compare some of the particulars of Prophet Jesus, son of Mary with those of Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani to see what justification he had in claiming to be the 'promised Messiah':

1. Genealogy: Prophet Jesus always been mentioned in these traditions (some of which begin with the oath in the name of Allah) as 'Jesus, son of Mary'. According to Mirza Qadiani himself, "the oath proves that the news is to be taken at its apparent meaning and there is no interpretation or exception". (Vide Hamamat-ul-Bushra, p.14). It means that these traditions are to be taken at their face-value. When they say Jesus son of Mary they do mean Jesus, son of Mary; they cannot refer to Ghulam Ahmad son of Ghulam Murtaza and Chiragh Bibi.
2. Minaret of Damascus: Prophet Jesus (a.s.) will come down at the eastern minaret Damascus mosque, Mirza Qadiani was born in Qadian, and never set his foot in Damascus^[2].
3. Following the Imam of the Muslims: Prophet Jesus (a.s.) will not call people to follow him and will not establish any new Ummah. Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani called the people to believe in him and established a separate Ummah of his followers.
4. Killing of Dajjal: Prophet Jesus (a.s.) will kill the Dajjal, at the gate of Ludd (Lod), which is

situated in present day's Israel. Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani said that Dajjal means the British nation. And then, instead of destroying the British, he made the obedience to their tyrannical rule and integral part of his religion.

5. Hajj and/or Umrah: Prophet Jesus (a.s.) will perform Hajj or Umrah or will combine both.

Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani did not even see the Kaba, let alone the Hajj or Umrah.

6. Death: Prophet Jesus (a.s.) will die between Mecca and Medina. Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani did not even enter the land of Hejaz. He died at Lahore.

7. Burial: Prophet Jesus (a.s.) will be buried in the room in which is buried the Holy Prophet of Islam (S). Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani is buried in Qadian.

8. Two Yellow Robes: Prophet Jesus (a.s.) at the time of his coming down will be wearing two yellow robes. Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani says in this connection: "(The Holy Prophet of Islam) had said that Messiah (The word used in the tradition is 'Jesus, son of Mary not Messiah'), at the time of his coming down from sky will be wearing two yellow robes. 'Thus, I have two diseases: one of the upper part of the body; i.e.'Miraq', and another of lower part, i.e., diabetes (Dairy. of Mirza Qadiani; Akhbar Badr, Vol. 2; No; 23, dated• 7/6/1906).

'Miraq' is a type of 'Malikhulia' (Melancholia) which is a type of insanity; and Mirza Qadiani in various places has declared himself Miraq'. It was not an acquisition laid against him by his enemies. It was a fact accepted by Mirza himself. Now let us see what are the symptoms of Malikhulia: "In some patients this abnormality reaches a stage where he thinks himself to be knowing the future events and unseen things, and many times prophecies of future happenings, and some patients think that they are angels". (Sharh-ul-Asbab wal 'amat by Burhanuddin Nafis).

"Most of the fancies of the patient concern that field of work in which he was engaged during his health. For example, if the patient is a learned man he claims to be a prophet and claims to show miracles, talks of divinity and preaches accordingly. (Iksir-e-A'zam, Vol. 1 p.188; by Hakim Muhammad Azad Khan).

Dr. Shah Nawaz (one of' the followers of Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani) wrote in Review of Religions (August, 1926): "If it is proved about a claimant of revelation that he was suffering from Hysteria or Malikhulia (Melancholia) or Epilepsy, then no other blow is needed to refute his claim; because it is such a blow which knocks out the building of his truth from its foundation". (The reference is taken from Muhammadiyya Pocket Book).

Anyhow, apart from the fact that a person suffering from Miraq or melancholia cannot be a prophet, let us see what other 'likeness to Jesus, son of Mary' this comparison shows: Prophet Jesus (a.s.) cured the sick people. And that was his miracle. Here Mirza Ghulam Ahmad

Qadian claims to be Jesus, son of Mary by showing that he is suffering from Miraq and Diabetes!

And according to Qadiani interpretation, coming down of Prophet Jesus (a.s.) means the birth of a 'likeness to Messiah'. Well, Mirza Ghulam Ahmad was not wearing two yellow robes (or, for that matter, any robe) at the time of his birth.

All these comparisons, explanations and admissions show that Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadianis particulars do not fit the particulars of Prophet Jesus, son of Mary (a.s.) which have been mentioned in the traditions of the Holy Prophet.

Thus his claim to be a likeness of Jesus, son of Mary (a.s.) is proved to be as baseless as was .his claim to be the Imam Mahdi (a.j.), or a prophet

Notes:

[1] Taken up: It means that the Holy Qur'an will remain only in form and not in spirit. It will continue to remain in existence but the instructions therein will no longer be put into practice

[2] A Qadiani chief missionary once wrote: "In Damascus, at a place called Karbala, Seyyidina Hussein was martyred by so-called Muslims. Kadian is exactly on the east of Damascus and at the same latitude- Kadian is given the name of a place where an innocent Imam was martyred." (A Lively Discussion). This "highly qualified" chief missionary of Qadians thinks that Karbala is " a place in Damascus". I think this revelation is beyond any comment, If Karbala' is !in Damascus, then Tokyo is in London, and Dar-es-Salaam is in Cairo