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The Fourteenth Infallible: The Twelfth Imam Mahdi (The Imam of this age) and his forty discourses

Fourtneeth Infallible twelveth Imam Mahdi

Name: (Mahdi) The name sake of Prophet (S)

Renowned Titles: Mahdi, Mauood, The Imam e Asr, Sahib Uz Zaman, Baqiyyat Ullah, Qaim (Arwahana Lahul Fida) (May our souls be sacrificed for him)

Father and Mother: Imam Hassan Askari and Narjis Khatoon (as)

Time & Place of Birth: 15th of shabban, year 255 or 256 Hijrah, in Samara and Remained under the guardianship of his father for nearly five years in secrecy.

Duration of life: Four Phases"

- 1. Childhood: Secretly nursed by his father upto a period of five years so that he may remain safe & secure from the harm of the enemies. And when his father was martyred in 260 Hijrah, the post of Imamate was shifted over to him.
- 2. The short & small occultance: Started from the year 260 Hijrah & ended in 329 Hijrah, comming to nearly 70 years.
- 3. The major occultance: Began in the year 329 Hijrah & till Allah pleases that he appears, it will continue on.
- 4. The shinning period of his advent.

Forty Discourses from Imam Mahdi (as)

1. Indeed the divine destinies will never be over whelmed & overcome & the divine will does never get rejected & nothing can supersede the divine grace. 1

2. Allah has not created the creations as futile & in vain. & has not let them go aimless & purposeless. 2

3. Allah raised *Mohammed* (S) as beneficence for the worlds & completed His favors with him & ended the (series of) Apostles by him. And sent him toward all the people (for their guidance). 3

4. He (SWT) says "AUF LAM MEEM (الـم) Do men think that they will be left alone on saying we believe, & not tried?"

So he says: ',How people have undergone test & trial & how do they wonder around In astonishment & bewilderment sometime to the left & some times to the right. They have been detached from their religion or involved in doubts (ambiguity) or have become the enemy of the right. Or they are ignorant of the true traditions & correct prophecies & information's. Or they intentionally forget what they know. Do know it that the earth never gets empty & void of authority (argument) of Allah (the Prophet or Imam) whether he is evident & apparent or hidden & concealed (from the eyes)

(Chapter: decree from the master (Imam) of the age.) 4

فِإِنَّهُ عَزَّوَجَلَّ يَقُولُ: « لَلم أَحَسِبَ النّاسُ اَن يُترَكُوا اَن يَقُولُوا امَنّاوَهُم لا يُفتَنُونَ» كَيفَ يَتَساقَطُونَ في الفِتنَةِ -4 وَيَتَرَدَّدُونَ في الحَيرَةِ وَيَأْخُذُونَ يَميناً وَشِمالاً فارَقُوا دِينَهُم اَمِ اَرتابُوا اَم عانَدُوا الحَقَّ اَم جَهِلُوا ماجاءَت بِهِ الرّواياتُ الصَدَّةُ وَالأَخْبارُ الصَّحِيحَةُ اَو عَلَمُوا ذلكَ فَتَناسَوا ما يَعلَمُونَ اَنَّ الأرضَ لا تَخلُو مِن حُجَّةً إِمّا ظاهراً وَإِمّا مَغْمُوراً.

5. Have you not heard the word of Allah that ",O believers obey Allah & the Prophet (S) & those In authority from among you". Has Allah ordained anything except what is stable & constant up to the day of resurrection? Do you not see that Allah made shelters for you to seek refuge & flags to get guided right from the age of Adam (as) to the previous Imam (i.e. Imam Hassan Askari (as).

Whenever a flag disappeared another flag appeared. And when one star disappeared another star rose. So when Allah turned his soul back toward Himself you presumed that Allah disconnected the medium between Himself & His creations. Nay, never at all has or would this happen till the dooms day, & the order of Allah gets manifested, where as they the (infidels) dislike it. 5

أَمَا سَمِعتُمُ اللهَ عَزَّوَجَلَّ يَقُولُ « يَا اَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَطيعُوا اللهَ وَأَطيعُوا الرَّسُولَ وَأُولِي الأَمرِمِنِكُم » هَل أَمرِ إلاّ بِما -5 هُوَ كَائِنٌ إلى يَومِ القِيامَةِ ؟ أَوَلَم تَرُوا أَنَّ اللهَ عَزَّوَجَلَّ جَعَلَ لَكُم مَعاقِلَ تَأْوُون إِلَيهَا وَأَعلَاماً تَهتَدُونَ بِهامِن لَدُون آدَمَ عَلَيهِ السَّلامُ إلى اَن ظَهَرَ المَاضِي (أَبُو مُحَمَّد) صَلَواتُ اللهِ عَلَيهِ كُلَّما غابَ عَلَمٌ بَدا عَلَمٌ وَإِذا أَقَلَ نَجِمٌ طَلَعَ نَجِمٌ، فَلَمَّا عَلَيهِ السَّلامُ إلى اَن ظَهَرَ المَاضِي (أَبُو مُحَمَّد) صَلَواتُ اللهِ عَلَيهِ كُلَّما غابَ عَلَمٌ بَدا عَلَمٌ وَإِذا أَقَلَ نَجِمٌ طَلَعَ نَجِمٌ، فَلَمَّا قَبَضنَهُ اللهُ إلَيهِ ظَنَنتُم أَنَّ اللهَ عَرَّوَجَلَّ قَد قَطَعَ السَّبِ بَينَهُ وَبَينَ خَلقِهِ . كَلاَ ما كانَ ذلِكَ وَلا يَكُونَ حَتَّى تَقُومَ السَّاعَةُ (وَيَطَهَرَ أَمرُاللهِ عَزَّوَجَلَّ وَهُم كارهُونَ. (كمال الدين ج2 ص487

6. The past (Imam Hassan Askari) crossed over the way of his fore fathers with great prosperity, & success, & disappeared from the sights. He followed the conduct of his ancestors with great exactness & similarity and led his life without any difference. His testament & knowledge. & the one who is his successor & follows the same program & way exists among us. And nobody ever disputes his place & office with us except the cruel sinner. And the one except us who proclaims the post of Imamate is an infidel. And if it was not that Allah's order is not to be subdued and His secrets are not to be revealed I would have manifested to you my right in a way that your minds would have glowed & your doubts would have cast off but only that which Allah desires takes place. And there is a fixed time for everything therefore, be pious & be obedient to us. 6

إِنَّ الماضى (ع) مَضى سَعِيداً فَقِيداً عَلى مِنهَاجِ آبائِهِ عَلَيهِمُ السَّلامُ حَذَقَ النَّعلِ بِالنَّعلِ وَفِينا وَصِيَّتُهُ وَعِلمُهُ ...» -6 وَمَن هُوَ خَلَفَهُ وَمَن يَسُدُّ مَسَدَّهُ وَلا يُنازِعُنا مَوضِعَهُ اِلاَّ ظالِمٌ آثِمٌ وَلا يَدَّ عِيهِ دُونَنَا اِلاَّ جَاحُدٌ كَافِرٌ وَلوَلا أَنَّ اَمرَ اللهِ لا يُعْلَنُ لَظَهَرُ وَلا يُعلَنُ لَظَهَرُ وَلا يُعلَنُ لَظُهَرُ وَلا يُعلَنُ لَظُهَرُ لَكُم مِن حَقِّنا ما تبهَرُمِنهُ عُقُولُكُم وَيُزيلُ شَكُوكَكُم لَكنَّهُ مَاشَاءَاللهُ كَانَ وَلِكُلِّ اَجَلِ يُعلَنُ وَلا يُعلَنُ لَظَهَرُ وَلا يُعلَنُ لَظَهَرُ وَلا يُعلَنُ لَظَهَرُ وَلا يُعلَنُ لَطَهم مِن حَقِّنا ما تبهَرُمِنهُ عُقُولُكُم وَيُزيلُ شَكُوكَكُم لَكنَّهُ مَاشَاءَاللهُ كَانَ وَلِكُلِّ اَجَلِ (كِتابٌ فَاتَّقُوا اللهَ وَسُلَمُوا لَنَا. (البحار ج53 صـ179

7. And when the incidents occur & take shape then turn to those who describe our Hadiths since they are my proof & authority over you & I am the authority of Allah upon them. 7

وَاَمَّا اَلحَوادِثُ الواقِعَةُ فَارجِعُوا فيها إلى رُواةِ حَدِيثِنا، فإنَّهُم حُجَّتي عَلَيكُم،وَأَنَا حُجَّةُ اللهِ عَلَيهِم. (كمال الدطن -7 (\$2ص 484)

8. Oh Allah bestow upon our (religious) scholars the piety in the world & admonition to others.

And to the students & researchers, the struggle, search & keenness & eagerness for getting knowledge. And to the listeners the following & acceptance (of what they hear from them). And to the patients of the Muslims cure & comfort. And to our dead & deceased ones the kindness & compassion. And to our old & aged ones grace & peace & tranquility. And to our youth reference & conversion & repentance. And to the ladies modesty & shame. And to our wealthy ones the humility & amplitude & to our poor & have no the patience & contentment. 8

اَللَّهُمَّ .. وَتَفَضَّل عَلَى عُلَمائِنا بِالزُّهدِ وَالنَّصِيحَةِ، وَعَلَى المُتَعَلِّمِينَ بِالجُهدِ وَالرَّغبَةِ، وَعَلَى المُستَمِعِينَ بِالإِتَبَاعِ » -8 وَالمَوعِظَةِ وَعَلَى مَرضَى المُسلِمينَ بِالشِّفاءِ وَالرَّاحَةِ، وَعَلَى مَوتاهُم بِالرَّأَفَةِ وَالرَّحمَةِ، وَعَلَى مَشايِخِنا بِالوَقارِ وَالمَّعنِة ، وَعَلَى الشَّعبِة وَالسَّعبِة وَالسَّعبِة وَعَلَى الفُقراءِ وَالسَّعبِينَة ، وَعَلَى الشَّابِ بِالإِنابَةِ وَالتَّوبَةِ، وعَلَى النِّساءِ بِالحَياءِ وَالعِفَّةِ، وَعَلَى الفُقراءِ (بالصَّبر وَالقَناعَةِ... (المصباح للكفعي ص281

9. Our hearts are the utensils of the Divine will so when Allah wishes something, we too wish the same.

10. So know it there is no relation & kinship between Allah & any individual. 10

11. So know it that the right of Imamate is with us & among us. And who so ever says (believes) it to be with others than us, he is a blamer, liar. And nobody except us claims it but the gone astray & deviated one. 11

12. Oh Allah, for the right of the one who supplicates to you, & calls you in the oceans & lands. Peace be upon Muhammad & his household. And grant the vastness & abundance of sustenance to the poor men & women of the faithful's. And bestow health & cure & comfort upon the patients & diseased among the faithful men & women. And mercy & magnanimity over the faithful men & women. And beneficence & benevolence, & forgiveness to their dead ones. And grant to their travelers a safe & handful return to their homelands.

For the sake of the right of Muhammad & all His household. 12

اللهى بِحَقَّ مَن ناجاكَ ،وَبِحَقَّ مَن دَعاكَ في البَحرِ وَالبَرَّ، صَلِّ عَلى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِهِ،وَتَفَضَّل عَلى فُقَراءِ المُؤمِنِينَ -12 وَالمُؤمِنِينَ بِالشِّفاءِ وَالصَّحَّةِ وَالرَّاحَةِ، وَعَلى أَحياءِ المُؤمِنِينَ وَالمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمَوانِهِمِ سَالِمِينَ وَالْمَانِهِمِ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنَ وَالْمُونِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنَاتِ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤمِ

13. Those who fix a time (regarding the advent of Imam Mahdi (as)) are liars. 13

14. And the how–ness of benefiting from me in my occultation is like the benefiting from the sun when it disappears from the eyes behind the clouds. 14

15. Oh Allah, the calamity has become great, & the secret has become revealed & open, & the curtains have been removed (from the works) & the hopes have discontinued & the earth has become narrow & the sky has refused the showers of blessing & you are the helper & to you the complaint has to be made. And we have got to depend upon you in hardships & easiness. 15

16. And indeed I am the safety & security for the people of the earth. 16

17. Allah does not accept for the righteousness (any thing) except completion & for the falsehood (any thing) except downfall. 17

18. And pray much for the quickness of deliverence for that is your (own) deliverence. 18

19. I am the last & final of the legatees (guardians) & for my sake Allah repulses the calamity from my family & shias. 19

20. And as for the reason of the incidence of occultation so Allah says', Oh those who believe! Do not question about the things which if get apparant & dislosed to you you would feel bad about those.' 20

21. Oh Allah, if I obey you then praise & Eulom' is for you & if I disobey & commit sin then proof & authority is for You. Comfort & deliverence is from You. Glorified is the Allah who grants boon & beneficience & accepts thankgiving & gratitude & Glorified is the Allah who has the power & forgives.

Oh Allah if I commit a sin (disobedience), so I obey You in some thing which is the most beloved one to You & that is faith in You. I do not believe in a son for You & I have not taken a partner for You.

And this is a favour from You to me & not a favour from me to You. 21

22. And the person who eats anything from our wealth money (like khomas) indeed, he eats up fire (putting fire into his belly) & soon he will enter the hell fire. 22

23. So every one of you must practice (in a manner) so as to get closer to our love & must take distance from thing which brings closer to our displeasure & anger. 23

24. So shut the doors of querries which are not benefitial (meaning-ful) for you. 24

25. I am the Mahdi (the rightly guided one) I am the upholder & upkeeper of the age. I am the one who fills it (the earth) with justice just as it is filled up with aggression & cruelity. The earth does not remain empty of the Proof & authority of Allah. 25

26. And make (turn) your intention towards us with love based upon the conspicuous sunnah (traditoins). 26

27. Oh Allah grant us the divine grace about obedience & taking distance from sin, & the truth of intention & the recognition of honour & grace & bestow upon us the beneficience of guidance, And uphold upkeep our tongues with truth & wisdom & fill our hearts with knowledge & recognition (of Allah). And purify our interior (bellies) from forbidden & doubtful things. And constrain our hands from aggression, oppression & theft (stealing). And cover our eyes from trangression (veiwing the fobidden things) & the dishonesty (of looks) And obstruct & cover our ears from listening & lending ear to futile & fake talk & back bitting. 27

28. So indeed the major occultation has taken place therefore, there is no advent except when Allah gives permission. 28

29. And when Allah gives us the permission of speaking then the right will get manifested & the falsehood will get annihilated. 29

30. I am the remnant (the remainings of the Allah's affair) upon His earth & the avenger & vengeance taker from His enemies. 30

31. And when I appear then at that time of my advent there would be no oath of allegiance taking for the devils upon my neck.

(I will not sit silent rather I will fight them). 31

32. We are not heedless to your life affairs & do not forget mentionings of you. 32

33. Oh Allah shower your benedictions upon Muhammad & his household. And honour & revere your saints (friends) by fulfilling & materialising your promise & make them reach & have access to their aspirations regarding your help. And protect them against the fear of the one who has stood up against you. 33

اَللّهُمُّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ وَاَكْرِمِ اَولياءَكَ بِإنجازِ وَعدِكَ، وَيَلِّغهُم دَركَ ما يَأْمُلُونَهُ مِن نَصرِكَ ،وَاكفُف -33 عَنهُم بَأْسَ مَن نَصَبَ الخِلافَ عَلَيْكَ وَتَمَّردَ بِمَنعِكَ عَلى رُكُوبِ مُخالِفَتِكَ، وَاستَعانَ برِفدكَ عَلى فَلِّ حَدِّكَ، وَقَصَدَ لِعَهُم بَأْسَ مَن نَصَبَ الخِلافَ عَلَيْكَ وَتَمَردَ بِمَنعِكَ عَلى رُكُوبِ مُخالِفَتِكَ، وَاستَعانَ برِفدكَ عَلى فَلِّ حَدِّكَ، وَقَصَدَ لِكَيدكَ بِأَيدكَ، وَوَسِعتَهُ حِلماً لِتَأْخُذَهُ عَلى جَهرَةٍ، وَتَستَأ صِلَهُ عَلى غِرَّةٍ، فِإِنَّكَ اَللَّهُمَّ قُلتَ وَقُولُكَ الحَقُّ حَتّى إذا الْحَدَّتِ الأَرضُ زُخرُفَها وَازَّيَّنَت وَظَنَّ اَهلُها اَنَّهُم قادِرُونَ عَلَيها أَتاها اَمرُنا لَيلاً اَونَهاراً فَجَعَلنها حَصيداً كأن لَم تَعْنَ (بِالأَمسِ كَذَالِكَ نُفُصِّلُ الأَياتِ لِقَومٍ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ وَقُلتَ (فَلَمّا آسَفُونا اَنتَقَمنا مِنهُم). (مهج الدعوات ص68

34. Curse of Allah & His angles & all the people be upon the one who eats up & consumes (even) one dirham (unit of currency) out of our money as haram ((for bidden). 34

35. We do not accept your wealth except for the sake of purifying those. 35

36. Oh Allah, the owner of people necks (Having domination over them) and oh the breaker (defeater) of groups. Oh, the opener of doors, oh the creater of causes & media, provide a cause & media for us since we do not have the strength & means to achieve that, for the sake of the (word) there is no Allah except Allah & Muhammad is the Prophet (S) of Allah, peace be upon him & entire of his household. 36

37. Oh the light of light, oh the administrator of the affairs, oh the raiser of those who are in the graves! Shower your benediction upon Muhammad & his household.

And free me & my shias out of the (state of) anguish to have joy & deliverence & exodus out of the sorrow & grief. And broaden the way of your kindness for us. And send us something from yourself which may make us comfortable & in (the state of) deliverence. And treat us in a way that you are fit & worthy for it. Oh the kind one, oh the merciful of all the mercifuls. 37

38. Indeed we have thorough knowledge which encompasses your news (incidents & affairs of life). And nothing out of your news remain hidden from us. 38

39. And the advent & occurance of deliverence pertains to the permission of Allah. 39

40. Nothing like service rubs the nose of Satan upon dust so perform the service & rub the nose of Satan upon dust. 40

END NOTE

- 1. Usul al- Kafi vol 1 p41 chapter questioning the scholar & his answers Hadith -8
- 2. Usul al- Kafi vol 42 (chapter. Dissemination of knowledge Hadith -4.
- 3. Nahjul Balaghah. Hikmat 147.
- 4. Usul al- kafi vol 1 P 42.
- 5. Usul al- kafi p33.
- 6. Wasailushia vol 18 P 102.
- 7. Safinatul Bihar Vol 1 p. 504, Usul al- Kafi vol 1 p.49.
- 8. Bihar ul Anwar, vol2, p156.
- 9. Quotation from Biha vol.2 p157.
- 10. 'Goodlysaying', outline of it, p175, 181.
- 11. Zaloom is the superlative degree of zalim meaning 'oppressor or tyrant." The terrifically tryant & cruel would be named zaloom in Arabic language. Where as any ordinal) cruel person would be known zalim (cruel). Almosid (the Arabian. English) dictionaly not finding a proper term against zaloom (the tyrant most) has referred it to zalim (the ordinal) cruel)
- 12. Undervaluing & degrading the prayers would range from not offfering it to offering it sluggishly sla ckly, out of its time & developing indifferent, & careless attitude to wards it. And not showing promptness vigil & suitable care in its performance.
 - 1. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 53, P 191
 - 2. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 53, P 194
 - 3. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 53, P 194
 - 4. Kamal Uddin Vol. 2, P 511
 - 5. Kamal Uddin Vol. 2, P 487
 - 6. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 53, P 179
 - 7. Kamal Uddin Vol. 2, P 484
 - 8. Al Misbah Lil Kafami P 281
 - 9. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 52. P 51

- 10. Kamal Uddin Vol. 2. P 484
- 11. Kamal Uddin Vol. 2. P 511
- 12. Al Misbah Lil Kafami P 306
- 13. Kamal Uddin Vol. 2, P 483
- 14. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 78, P 380
- 15. Al Sahifa Mahdia, P 69
- 16. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 53, P 181
- 17. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 53, P 193
- 18. Kamal Uddin Vol. 2, P 485
- 19. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 52, P 30
- 20. Kamal Uddin, Vol. 2, P 485
- 21. Mehjud Dawat, P 295
- 22. Kamal Uddin, Vol. 2, P 521 (Chapter the discuission of the decrees)
- 23. Al Ehtijaj, P 498
- 24. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 52, P 92
- 25. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 52, P 2
- 26. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 53, P 179
- 27. Al Misbah Lilkafami, P 281
- 28. Kamal Uddin, Vol. 2. P 516
- 29. Bihar ul-Anwar Vol. 53, P 196
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