

# *IMAM MAHDI (aj)*

And the importance of KNOWING YOUR  
IMAM

(Lecture 1 of 2)

“Whoever dies without knowing the Imam of his time, dies the death of Jahiliyya (the time of ignorance)”

-hadeeth narrated from the Prophet (saw)

# What is the Purpose of life?

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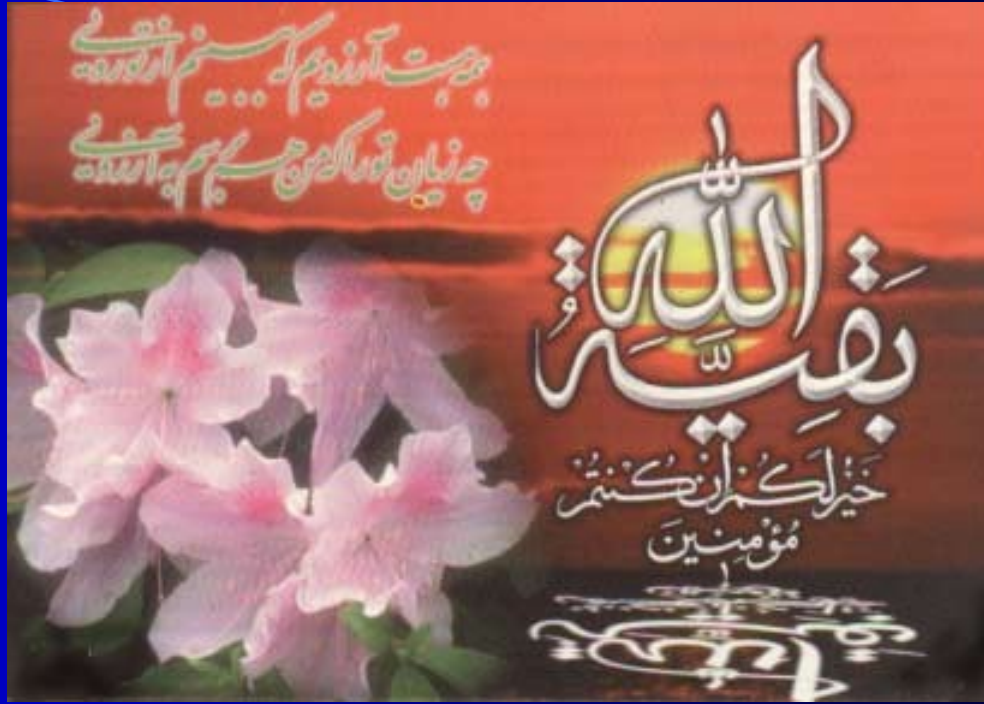
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# The Imam of the Time (aj)

“Remember the day when We will call every people with their Imam...” (Quran, 15:71)

“... I leave behind me among you two weighty things: the Book of Allah... and my Progeny, **my Ahlul Bayt**, for verily Allah, The Merciful, The Aware, informed me that *never, never* would these two get separated from each other...”

“The parable of my Ahlul-Bayt is similar to that of Noah’s Ark. Whosoever embarks [upon] it will get rescued, but the one who opposes the boarding of it, surely gets drowned”

-hadeeth narrated from the Prophet (saw)

“One who is zealous about the companionship of Imam Mehdi (a.s.) should wait and act piously and in a noble manner. Such people, **when they die before the reappearance of Imam Mahdi (a.s.), will have the reward of being his companion.**

You deserve this, O Forgiven ones!”

-hadeeth narrated by imam Jafar as Sadiq (as)

