

## The Dajjāl's Travels Throughout the Earth

In a long ḥadīth collected by Imām Muslim from al-Nawwās Ibn Samʿān ( رضي الله عنه ), the prophet ( صلى الله عليه وسلم ) was asked, “Messenger of Allah, and what about (the speed of) his travels throughout the earth?” He ( صلى الله عليه وسلم ) answered:

«...كَالْغَيْثِ اسْتَدْبَرَتْهُ الرِّيحُ»

...Like the rain driven by the wind.<sup>1</sup>

The Dajjāl, however, will be unable to enter Mecca or Medina as the prophet ( صلى الله عليه ) said:

« لَيْسَ مِنْ بَلَدٍ إِلَّا سَيِّطُوهُ الدَّجَالُ إِلَّا مَكَّةَ وَالْمَدِينَةَ ، لَيْسَ لَهُ مِنْ نِقَابِهَا نَقْبٌ إِلَّا عَلَيْهِ الْمَلَائِكَةُ صَافِّينَ يَحْرُسُونَهَا ، ثُمَّ تَرْجُفُ الْمَدِينَةُ بِأَهْلِهَا ثَلَاثَ رَجَفَاتٍ ، فَيُخْرِجُ اللَّهُ كُلَّ كَافِرٍ وَمُنَافِقٍ »

There is no land the Dajjāl will not enter except Mecca and Medina. There is not a single path leading to them except that there are angels in rows guarding them. Medina will then be shaken by three earthquakes whereby Allah will remove every disbeliever and hypocrite (from Medina).<sup>2</sup>



<sup>1</sup> Collected by Muslim

<sup>2</sup> Collected by al-Bukhārī and Muslim