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Understanding the Occultation of the Imam (AS)

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- **Understanding the Imam (AS):**

- 1) **Ideological : Al Mahdi
Al Qa'im**

- 2) **Historical / Narrative**

- 3) **Spiritual**

- **Birth of Imam (AS)**
- **15th Shabaan 255 AH**
- **Mother's name: Rayhana, Narjis, Sausan, Saqil.**
- **Narration from Hakimah on his birth on dawn of 15th Shabaan**

- **Death of 11th Imam (AS)**
- **8th Rabi ul Awwal 260 AH**
- **Events on the day:**
 - **Ja'far bin Ali (Al Kadhdhaab and Al Tawwaab) and his claim**
 - **Delegation from Qum arriving on the same day**
 - **Two Janaza Prayers – One private led by 12th Imam (AS) and the other public led by Abu Isa bin Al Mutawakkil – brother of Al Mu'tamid.**

- **Ghaibat-e-Sughra**
- **Appointment of SAFIR**
- **1) Uthman bin Sa'id Al Amri 260 - 265**
- **2) Muhammad bin Uthman Al Amri 265 - 305**
- **3) Husayn bin Rawh 305 - 326**
- **4) Ali bin Muhammad As Samri 326 - 329**

- **Philosophy and Principles of MIRACLES**
- **A) To prove claim of divinity**
- **B) If an alternative is available, miracles do not take place**

- **Q1) Why long life?**
- **Q2) How does he discharge his duties as Imam in Ghaibat?**