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Introduction

Iblis didn't just rebel - he strategised. He asked Allah for time "until the Day they are resurrected" (Qur'an 7:14) - not to repent, but to build a system of corruption, to drag humanity away from Allah in every possible way.

His army doesn't operate through brute force - it operates through whispers, deception, and targeted manipulation of every weakness we carry.

Iblis - The Chief of All Shayateen

He refused to bow to Adam (peace be upon him) out of arrogance and made a vow to mislead mankind: "Because You have put me in error, I will surely sit in wait for them on Your straight path." (Qur'an 7:16)

His mission is clear: to lead as many as possible away from Allah, through pride, deception, and despair.

The Nine Shayateen

1. Dasim - The Homebreaker

Speciality: Spreads tension, hatred, and conflict inside the home.

Tactics: Whispers during arguments, fuels suspicion between spouses, encourages divorce, plants coldness and emotional distance.

How to fight back:

- Begin everything in the home with Bismillah
- Maintain daily dhikr and du'a for peace in the household
- Handle disagreements calmly and resist the urge to react harshly

2. Awan (or A'war) - The Promoter of Zina

Speciality: Spreads shamelessness, lust, and zina (fornication/adultery).

Tactics: Makes haram look beautiful. Promotes casual intimacy, pornography, emotional cheating, immodest dress, and normalised gender mixing.

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How to fight back:

- Lower your gaze, guard your heart
- Make sincere du'a for purity and seek forgiveness quickly when you slip
- Stay away from situations that fuel temptation

3. Zalnabar - The Market Whisperer

Speciality: Distracts and corrupts through trade, greed, and cheating.

Tactics: Fuels materialism, dishonesty in buying/selling, overconsumption, obsession with wealth, and mindless shopping.

How to fight back:

- Say dhikr in marketplaces (the Prophet recommended a special du'a)
- Check your intentions when spending money
- Choose barakah (blessing) over profit

4. Ta'ba (or Thabr) - The Calamity Twister

Speciality: Whispers during hardship and tragedy.

Tactics: Encourages despair, self-harm, anger at Allah, and doubting qadr (divine decree). Makes you believe your pain has no purpose.

How to fight back:

- Say Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi raji'un during any loss
- Find Allah in the storm, not away from it
- Talk to Allah before you let Shaytan talk about Allah

5. Khinzab (or Kinzab) - The Salah Disturber

Speciality: Distracts you in prayer.

Tactics: Makes you forget your raka'at, injects random thoughts, makes salah feel rushed or empty.

How to fight back:

- Seek refuge with Allah before starting: A'udhu billahi min al-shaytan al-rajim
- Slow down your movements and stay mindful
- Repeat your wudu if you're unsure - but don't fall into OCD traps (waswasa)

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6. Murra - The Entertainer

Speciality: Fuels music addiction, falsehood, and distraction through entertainment.

Tactics: Makes you numb through music, movies, games, social media spirals, and trends. Drowns out the remembrance of Allah.

How to fight back:

- Replace music with Qur'an, nasheeds, or silence
- Set boundaries for your screen time
- Reflect on how you feel spiritually after consuming content - if it distances you from Allah, it's not harmless

7. Al-Abyad - The Deceiver of the Righteous

Speciality: Deludes pious people with pride in their religiosity.

Tactics: Fuels arrogance, judgmental attitudes, riya (showing off), and spiritual superiority. Makes you love praise and resent correction.

How to fight back:

- Keep your good deeds private when possible
- Remember your sins often and seek forgiveness
- Make du'a for sincerity: "O Allah, purify my heart for You."

8. Walhan - The Waswasa Expert

Speciality: Overwhelms with obsessive thoughts, especially in wudu and purity.

Tactics: Makes you doubt your intentions, your cleanliness, your actions. Leads to anxiety, OCD, and spiritual exhaustion.

How to fight back:

- Ignore repeated doubts once you've done your part
- Stick to one opinion and don't over-question
- Recite Surah An-Naas often - it was revealed for this!

9. Tirh (or Tur) - The Liar

Speciality: Spreads lies, gossip, false assumptions.

Tactics: Encourages lying casually, exaggerating, twisting the truth, or backbiting others.

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- Speak only if it's truthful, necessary, and kind
- Make du'a to be counted among the truthful and sincere
- Avoid gossip-heavy environments and people

Final Reflection

This network of Shayateen isn't random. It's a system - targeted, tactical, and ruthless. But Allah gave us the antidote in every case. The Qur'an, the Sunnah, the du'as of the Prophet, and the clarity of tawheed are our protection.

"Indeed, My servants - no authority will you have over them, except those who follow you of the deviators."
(Qur'an 15:42)

The whispers may be constant. But the rope of Allah? That never breaks.