

The Shi'ite Imams

`Abdu'l-Muttalib

`Abdallah (d.570)

Abu Talib (d. 619)

al-`Abbas

Muhammad (d. 632)

① `Ali (d. 661)

Fatima

Abdallah

② Hasan (d.670)

Ibrahim

Ismail

Ibrahim Tabataba

Qasim al-Rassi

Husayn

Yahya

(Founds Yeminite Zaydi Imamate
in 897 CE)

③ Husayn (d. 680 at Kerbala)

`Ali

④ `Ali Zayn al-`Abidin (d. 712/3)

Muhammad
(d. 743)

⑤ Muhammad al-Baqir (d. 731)

⑥ Ja`far al-Sadiq (d. 765)

`Abbasids
(749/50 -)

⑦ Isma`il (d. 762)

`Abdallah

⑦ Musa al-Kazim (d. 818)

⑧ `Ali al-Rida

⑨ Muhammad al-Jawad (d. 835)

⑩ `Ali al-Naqi (d. 868)

11 Hasan a;-`Askari (d. 873)

12 Muhammad al-Mahdi (869-)

(Goes into hiding in **873: lesser occultation**)

series of four representatives (wakil), last one does not appoint a successor and dies in **940: Greater Occultation**