

Hadīth Eleven

The devilish jinn can inhabit a particular limb

And remember Our servant Ayyūb, when he called to his Lord: Indeed, the devil has touched me with hardship and torment (38:41).

وَأَذْكُرُ عَبْدَنَا أَيُّوبَ إِذْ نَادَىٰ رَبَّهُ أَنِّي مَسَّنِيَ الشَّيْطَانُ بِنُصْبٍ
وَعَذَابٍ ﴿٤١﴾

When any one of you awakes from sleep and performs ablution, let him clean his nose three times, for the devil spends the night in the interior of his nose.

إِذَا اسْتَيْقَظَ أَحَدُكُمْ مِنْ مَنَامِهِ فَلْيَسْتَنْزِرْ ثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ فَإِنَّ
الشَّيْطَانَ يَبِيتُ عَلَىٰ حَيَاشِيهِ

Recorded in Muslim.

Points of benefit:

1. The devil sleeps in the nostrils. Many scholars understood this point literally.
2. Consistent cleanliness and purification removes the comfort zones of the devils and the jinn.
3. Water constantly touching and striking the devils plays a vital part in removing them, even killing them.