

Responsibility 35: Showing Humility & Humbleness Part 1

Another responsibility of the followers of the Imam is that we must have humility and humbleness and show concern in our hearts (for the Imam) when we mention him.

﴿ قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: ﴿٩﴾ أَلَمْ يَأْنِ لِلَّذِينَ آمَنُوا أَنْ تَخْشَعَ قُلُوبُهُمْ لِذِكْرِ اللَّهِ وَمَا نَزَلَ مِنَ الْحَقِّ

Allah, the Most High has said (in the Noble Qur`an):

“Has not the time come that those who have true faith begin to show humility in their hearts when Allah and that which He has revealed of the Truth is mentioned?”¹

Imam Muhammad b. ‘Ali al-Baqir (as) has said that: “Remembering us (the Ahlul Bayt) and mentioning us is the same as remembering or mentioning Allah.”²

Therefore, the hearts of the true believers must have humbleness which can only come about through remembering the name of the Imam, just as Imam Ja’far b. Muhammad as-Sadiq(as) stated in his supplication for Friday:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَتَقَرَّبُ إِلَيْكَ بِقَلْبٍ خَاضِعٍ وَإِلَى وَلِيِّكَ بِبَدَنٍ خَاشِعٍ وَإِلَى الْأَئِمَّةِ الرَّاشِدِينَ بِفُؤَادٍ مُتَوَاضِعٍ

“O’ Allah! Indeed I seek nearness to you with a submissive heart, and (I seek nearness) to your representative with a body that is humble and (I seek nearness) to the rightly guided A`immah by a heart filled with humility.”³

¹. Suratul Hadid (57), Verse 16

². al-Kafi, vol. 2, pg. 396, no. 2

³. Jamal al-Ushbu’, Pag 230, Biharul Anwar, vol. 89, pg. 332, sec. 4, no. 5

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