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.. الإمامُ عليٌّ (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ) : لَا يُؤْنِسُكَ إِلَّا الْحَقُّ ، وَلَا يُوحِشُكَ إِلَّا الْبَاطِلُ¹

1– Imam Ali (a.s.) said, ‘Only the truth will ever afford you company [as an intimate friend], and only falsehood will desert you.’[Ghurar al-Hikam, no. 10303]

.. الإمامُ الصَّادِقُ (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ) : الأُنْسُ فِي ثَلَاثٍ : فِي الزَّوْجَةِ الْمُوَافِقَةِ ، وَالْوَلَدِ الْبَارِّ ، وَالصَّدِيقِ الْمُصَافِي²

2– Imam al-Sadiq (a.s.) said, ‘Intimacy is found in three: a compatible wife, a kind child, and a loyal friend.’[Bihar al-Anwar, v. 78, p. 231, no. 25]

.. الإمامُ الرِّضَا (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ) : الاسْتِرْسَالُ بِالْأُنْسِ يُذْهِبُ الْمَهَابَةَ³

3– Imam al-Ridha (a.s.) said, ‘Being overindulgent in one’s intimacy [with people] drives one’s dignity away.’[A’alam al-Din, p. 307]

Intimacy With Allah

الأُنْسُ بِاللَّهِ

- رسولُ الله (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ) : مَنْ خَرَجَ مِنْ ذُلِّ الْمَعْصِيَةِ إِلَى عِزِّ الطَّاعَةِ أَنْسَهُ اللَّهُ عِزَّ وَجَلَّ بَغَيْرِ أَنْيسٍ،
وَأَعَانَهُ بَغَيْرِ مَالٍ.

4- The Prophet (S) said, 'When a man comes out of the humiliation of disobedience to the dignity of obedience, Allah will grant him intimacy without need for a close friend and elevate him without wealth.' [Bihar al-Anwar, v. 75, p. 359, no. 74]

.. الإمامُ عليٌّ (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ) : مَنْ انْفَرَدَ عَنِ النَّاسِ أَنْسَ بِاللَّهِ سُبْحَانَهُ⁵

5- Imam Ali (a.s.) said, 'A man who isolates himself away from people will find intimacy with Allah, glory be to Him.' [Ghurar al-Hikam, no. 8644]

- الإمامُ الصَّادِقُ (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ) : مَا مِنْ مُؤْمِنٍ إِلَّا وَقَدْ جَعَلَ اللَّهُ لَهُ مِنْ إِيْمَانِهِ أَنْسًا يَسْكُنُ إِلَيْهِ ، حَتَّىٰ لَوْ كَانَ عَلَىٰ
قُلَّةِ جَبَلٍ لَمْ يَسْتَوْحِشْ.

6- Imam al-Sadiq (a.s.) said, 'Allah makes the faith of every single believer his own [source of] intimacy, so that he will never feel lonely even if he were to be on the top of a mountain.' [Bihar al-Anwar, v. 70, p. 111, no. 14]

.. الإمامُ العسْكَرِيُّ (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ) : مَنْ أَنْسَ بِاللَّهِ اسْتَوْحِشَ مِنَ النَّاسِ⁷

7- Imam al-'Askari (a.s.) said, 'A man who finds intimacy with Allah feels lonely among people.' [al-Durrah al-Bahirah, p. 43]