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Laughter

Laughter-الضّحك

1. The best [form of] laughter is a smile.

   خَيْرُ الضِّحْكِ التَّبَسُّمُ1 ..

2. The excessive laughter of a man corrupts his dignity.

   كَثْرَةُ ضِحْكِ الرَّجُلِ تُفْسِدُ وَقارَهُ2 ..

3. Excessive laughter alienates the companion and disgraces the leader.

   كَثْرَةُ الضِّحْكِ تُوحِشُ الجَليسَ وتَشينُ الرَّئيسَ3 ..

4. One whose laughter increases, his reverence decreases.

   مَنْ كَثُرَ ضِحْكُهُ قَلَّتْ هَيْبَتُهُ4 ..

5. One whose laughter increases, his heart dies.

   مَنْ كَثُرَ ضِحْكُهُ ماتَ قَلْبُهُ5 ..

6. One whose laughs excessively is regarded as being low.

   مَنْ كَثُرَ ضِحْكُهُ اُسْتُرْذِلَ6 ..

7. Do not show your teeth [in laughter] while you have done such shameful deeds.

7لاتُبْدِعَنْ واضِحَة، وَقَدْ فَعَلْتَ الأُمُورَ الفاضِحَة ..

8. Never laugh too much such that your reverence is lost; and do not joke [too much] thereby [resulting in your] being taken lightly.

8لا تُكْثِرَنَّ الضِّحْكَ، فَتَذْهَبَ هَيْبَتُكَ، ولا المُزاحَ فَيُسْتَخَفَّ بِكَ ..

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