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Laughter

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Laughing and Smiling

الضِحكُ وَ التَّبسُّمُ

1ـ الإمامُ عليٌّ (عَلَيهِ السّلامُ): كانَ ضِحكُ النبيِّ صلى الله عليه وآله التبسُّم .

1– Imam Ali (a.s.) said, 'The Prophet (S)'s laughter was a smile.'[Amali al-Tusi, p. 522, no. 1156]

2– الإمامُ الباقرُ (عَلَيهِ السّلامُ): إذا قَهْقَهتَ فقُلْ حينَ تَفرُغُ: اللّهُمّ لا تَمقُتْني .

2– Imam al-Baqir (a.s.) said, 'When you laugh boisterously, say, 'O Allah do not despise me' when you have finished.'[al-Kafi, v. 2, p. 664, no. 13]

3– الإمامُ الصّادقُ (عَلَيهِ السّلامُ): القَهقَهَةُ مِن الشَّيطانِ

3– Imam al-Sadiq (a.s.) said, 'Loud boisterous laughter is from Satan.'[al-Kafi, v. 2, p. 664, no. 10]

4– الإمامُ الصّادقُ (عَلَيهِ السّلامُ): ضِحكُ المؤمِنِ تَبَسُّم .

4– Imam al-Sadiq (a.s.) said, 'The laughter of a believer is a smile.'[al-Kafi, v. 2, p. 664, no. 5]

5– الإمامُ الصّادقُ (عَلَيهِ السّلامُ): مَن تَبَسَّم في وَجهِأخيهِ كانَت لَهُ حَسَنَةٌ .

5– Imam al–Sadiq (a.s.) said, ‘He who smiles at his brother gets the reward of a good deed.’[al–Kafi, v. 2, p. 206, no. 1]

The Censure of Laughing Too Much

ذَمُّ كَثرَةِ الضِّحكِ

6ـ رسولُ اللهِ (صَلَّيَ اللهُ عَلَيهِ وَ آلِهِ): إيّاكَ وكَثرَةَ الضِّحكِ؛ فإنّهُ يُمِيتُ القَلبَ.

6– The Prophet (S) said, ‘Beware of laughing too much for verily it kills the heart.’[Ma’ani al–Akhbar, p. 335, no. 1]

7ـ رسولُ اللهِ (صَلَّيَ اللهُ عَلَيهِ وَ آلِهِ): لو تَعلَمُونَ ما أعلَمُ لَضَحِكتُم قليلاً وَلَبَكَيتُم كثيرا.

7– The Prophet (S) said, ‘If you knew what I know, you would laugh but a little and you would cry much.’[Nur al–Thaqalayn, v. 2, p. 249, no. 261]

8ـ في حديث المِعراجِ: عَجِبتُ مِن عَبدٍ لايَدري أنّي راضٍ عَنهُ أو ساخِطٌ علَيهِ وهُو يَضحَك!

8– It is narrated within the tradition about the Prophet (S)’s ascension that Allah said, ‘How I wonder at the servant who laughs while he does not know whether I am pleased or displeased with him!’[Irshad al–Qulub, p. 200]

9ـ الإمامُ عليٌّ (عَلَيهِ السَّلامُ): مَن كَثُرَ ضِحكُه ذَهَبَت هَيبَتُهُ.

9– Imam Ali (a.s.) said, ‘The earnestness of one who laughs too much deteriorates.’[Tuhaf al–’Uqul, p. 96]

10ـ الإمامُ العسكريُّ (عَلَيهِ السَّلامُ): مِنَ الجَهلِ الضَّحكُ مِن غَيرِ عَجَبٍ.

10– Imam al–’Aaskari (a.s.) said, ‘Laughing without cause stems from ignorance.’[Bihar al–Anwar, v. 76, p. 59, no. 10]

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