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On Inflation of the Belly

‘Umar b. ‘Uthman al-Khazzaz narrated from ‘Ali b. Isa from his uncle, who said: I complained to Musa b. Ja’far, peace be upon him, of inflation of the belly (*rih al-bahr*). He said: ‘Say while prostrating: “O Allah, O Allah, O Allah, O Merciful, O Lord of lords, O Chief of chiefs, O God of gods, O Master of masters, O King of kings, heal me with Your healing from this illness and turn it away from me, for I am Your servant and the son of Your servant; I turn about in Your grasp.”’

I left his [Musa b. Ja’far's] presence, and by Allah, Who honoured him with the Imamate, I prayed it only once in my prostration and did not experience it after that.

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