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Third: Right Based On Relationship To The Holy Prophet (S.A.W.S.)

As mentioned in Surah Shura:

قُلْ لَا أَسْأَلُكُمْ عَلَيْهِ أَجْرًا إِلَّا الْمَوَدَّةَ فِي الْقُرْبَىٰ

"Say: I do not ask of you any reward for it but love for my near relatives..." (***Qur'an, Surah Shura 42:23***)

It is narrated from His Eminence, Abu Ja'far Imam Muhammad Baqir (as) that the word al-Qurba in this verse denotes, the Imams.1

And it is said in traditions that at the time of his reappearance, His Eminence, Qa'im (aj) will call out:

"And I call you by the right of Allah, by the right of the Messenger of Allah and by my right as I have the right of relationship to the Prophet over you."2

1. Tafseer Al-Burhan; Sayyid Hashim Bahrani; Vol. 4/121
2. Ghaibah; Ibne Abi Zainab Nomani; Pg. 149

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