

Avoiding Suspicion

Allah the Most High said: ***“O you who believe, avoid suspicion, for surely suspicion in some cases is a sin.”***

The Holy Prophet Muhammad (S) said: *“Do not search the deficiencies of believers and do not follow their faults; because he who follows his brother’s faults, his own faults will be sought by Allah; and he whose faults are sought by Allah will be disgraced, even if he keeps indoors.”*

Imam ‘Ali (a.s.) the Commander of the Faithful said: *“Justify your brother’s action in the best way unless you know otherwise; and do not suspect your brother for what he says while you can interpret it as good.”*

He (a.s.) also said: *“Discard suspicion among yourselves; because Allah has forbidden it.”*

Imam Ja’far al-Sadiq (a.s.) said: *“When a believer accuses his brother, faith in his heart is melted in the same way that salt is melted in water.”*

Imam ‘Ali al-Rida (a.s.) said: *“The believers are like brothers who have the same parents. He is cursed, he is cursed, he who accuses his brother; he is cursed, he is cursed, he who deceives his brother; he is cursed, he is cursed, he who does not intend good for his brother; he is cursed, he is cursed, he who hides himself from his brother; he is cursed, he is cursed, he who backbites his brother.”*