

Sermon 219: He (the believer) kept his mind alive....

Qualities of the God-fearing and the pious

ومن كلام له (عليه السلام)

في وصف السالك الطريق إلى الله سبحانه

He (the believer) kept his mind alive and killed (the desires of) his heart till his body became thin, his bulk turned light and an effulgence of extreme brightness shone for him. It lighted the way for him and took him on the (right) path. Different doors led him to the door of safety and the place of (his permanent) stay. His feet, balancing his body became fixed in the position of safety and comfort, because he kept his heart (in good acts) and pleased his Allah.

قَدْ أَحْيَا عَقْلَهُ، وَأَمَاتَ نَفْسَهُ، حَتَّى دَقَّ جَلِيلُهُ، وَلَطُفَ غَلِيظُهُ، وَيَرَقَ لَهُ لَامِعٌ كَثِيرٌ
الْبَرْقِ، فَأَبَانَ لَهُ الطَّرِيقَ، وَسَلَكَ بِهِ السَّبِيلَ، وَتَدَافَعَتْهُ الْأَبْوَابُ إِلَى بَابِ السَّلَامَةِ،
وَدَارِ الْأَقَامَةِ، وَثَبَّتَتْ رِجْلَاهُ بِطُمَأْنِينَةٍ بَدَنِهِ فِي قَرَارِ الْأَمْنِ وَالرَّاحَةِ، بِمَا اسْتَعْمَلَ
قَلْبَهُ، وَأَرْضَى رَبَّهُ.

Alternative Sources for Sermon 219

(1) Al-'Amidi, *Ghurar*, 233.

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