

Chapter Seven

Loss of a Scholars

Tradition 7.1 H 71, Ch. 7, h 1

A number of our people have narrated from Ahmad ibn Muhammad ibn Khalid from 'Uthman ibn 'Isa from abu Ayyub al-Khazzaz from Sulayman ibn Khalid from **Abu 'Abdallah^{as}** who has said the following:

" Of the deaths of the true believers, the Satan loves the most is that of a *Faqih*, one who has very good understand of religion and its laws."

Tradition 7.2 H 72, Ch. 7, h 2

Ali ibn Ibrahim has narrated from his father from ibn abu 'Umayr from certain persons of his people from **Abu 'Abdallah^{as}** who has said the following:

"When a true believer who is a *Faqih*, dies, it causes an irreparable damage in the Islamic system."

Tradition 7.3 H 73, Ch. 7, h 3

Muhammad ibn Yahya has narrated from Ahmad ibn Muhammad from ibn Mahbub from Ali ibn abu Hamza who has said the following:

"(Imam) **Abu al-Hassan Musa ibn Ja'far^{as}** has said, 'When a true believer dies the angels and the parts of earth where he worshipped Allah^{swt} weep on his death. Also, the doors of the heavens through which his good deeds were delivered weep and it causes an

irreparable damage in the Islamic system. It is because the true believing *Fuqaha*, people of proper understanding in religion and its laws are the strongholds of the Islamic system just as the fortress around a city is a stronghold for it.'"

Tradition 7.4 H 74, Ch. 7, h 4

From him (Muhammad ibn Yahya) from Ahmad from ibn Mahbub from abu Ayyub al-Khazzaz from Sulayman ibn Khalid from **Abu 'Abdallah^{as}** who has said the following:

"Of the deaths of the true believers the one that Satan loves the most is that of a *Faqih*, one who has very good understand of religion and its laws."

Tradition 7.5 H 75, Ch. 7, h 5

Ali ibn Muhammad has narrated from Sahl ibn Ziyad from Ali ibn Asbat from his uncle Ya'qub ibn Salim from Dawud ibn Farqad who has said the following:

"Imam Abu 'Abdallah^{as} has said, 'My father used to say, 'Allah^{swt} does not take back the knowledge that He has sent down. But when the scholar dies it takes away his knowledge and after this the unjust ones come and they go astray and mislead people and there is no good in things without (firm) basis.'"

Tradition 7.6 H 76, Ch. 7, h 6

A number of our people have narrated from Ahmad ibn Muhammad from Muhammad ibn Ali from the person who he mentioned from Jabi from **Abu Ja'far^{as}** who has said the following:

"Imam Ali ibn al-Hussain^{as} said, 'My soul shows generosity in accepting the quickening of our death or being murdered. It is due to the words of Allah^{swt} that say, "Have they not

considered that We have taken over the land and reduced its borders?" the reference here is to the death of the scholars."

All praise belongs to Allah^{swt} May Allah^{swt} send peace and blessings upon Hazrat Muhammad^{s.a.w.w} and his holy progeny.