

## 'Some Ahadith related to *Cats*'

### **Abbreviations:**

**saww:** - Sal lal la ho Allay hay Wa Aal lay he Wasallam

**azwj:** - Az Za Wa Jalla

**asws:** - Allay hay Salawat Wass Salam

**AJFJ:** Ajal Allah hey wa Fara Jaak

**ra:** - Razi Allah<sup>~azwj</sup>

**La:** - Laan Allah<sup>~azwj</sup>

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ, وَ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَ آلِهِ الطَّاهِرِينَ, وَسَلَّم تَسْلِيمًا.

In the Name of Allah<sup>-azwj</sup> the Beneficent, the Merciful. The Praise is for Allah<sup>-azwj</sup> Lord<sup>-azwj</sup> of the Worlds, and Blessing be upon our Chief Muhammad<sup>-saww</sup> and his<sup>-saww</sup> Purified Progeny<sup>-asws</sup>, and greetings with abundant greetings.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَجِّلْ فَرَجَهُمْ وَالْعَنْ أَعْدَائَهُمْ أَجْمَعِينَ

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عَلِيُّ بْنُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ عَنْ أَبِيهِ عَنِ ابْنِ أَبِي عُمَيْرٍ عَنْ جَمِيلِ بْنِ دَرَّاجٍ عَنْ أَبِي أُسَامَةَ عَنْ أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ) فِي الْفَأْرَةِ وَالسِّنَّورِ وَالدَّجَاجَةِ وَالطَّيْرِ وَالْكَلْبِ قَالَ مَا لَمْ يَتَفَسَّحْ أَوْ يَتَغَيَّرْ طَعْمُ الْمَاءِ فَيَكْفِيكَ حَمْسٌ دَلَاءً فَإِنْ تَغَيَّرَ الْمَاءُ فَخُذْ مِنْهُ حَتَّى يَذْهَبَ الرِّيحُ .

Ali Bin Ibrahim, from his father, from Ibn Abu Umeyr, from Jameel Bin Darraj, from Abu Asama,

(It has been narrated) from Abu Abdullah<sup>-asws</sup> regarding the rats, and the cats, and the birds, and the dogs (falling into the well). He<sup>-asws</sup> said: ‘For as long as they have not decomposed, or the taste of the water has not changed, so (removing) five buckets would suffice you; and if the water has changed, so keep taking out from it until the smell goes away’.<sup>1</sup>

مُحَمَّدُ بْنُ يَحْيَى عَنْ مُحَمَّدِ بْنِ أَحْمَدَ عَنْ بَعْضِ أَصْحَابِهِ عَنِ الْحُسَيْنِ بْنِ الْحُسَيْنِ الضَّرِيرِ عَنْ حَمَّادِ بْنِ عَيْسَى عَنْ أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ عَنْ أَبِيهِ (عَلَيْهِمَا السَّلَامُ) قَالَ حَطَبَ رَجُلٌ إِلَى قَوْمٍ فَقَالُوا مَا بَحَارَتِكَ فَقَالَ أبيع الدَّوَابَّ فَرَوَّجُوهُ فَإِذَا هُوَ يبيع السَّنَانِيرَ فَاحْتَصَمُوا إِلَى أَمِيرِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ) فَأَجَازَ نِكَاحَهُ فَقَالَ السَّنَانِيرُ دَوَابٌّ .

Muhammad Bin Yahya, from Muhammad Bin Ahmad, from one of his companions, from Al Hassan Bin Al Husayn Al Zareer, from Hammad Bin Isa,

(It has been narrated) from Abu Abdullah<sup>-asws</sup>, from his<sup>-asws</sup> father<sup>-asws</sup> having said: ‘A man sent a proposal to a people, so they said, ‘What is your business?’ so he said, ‘I sell the animals’. So they married to him, and it turned out that he was selling the cats. So they brought the dispute to Amir Al-Momineen<sup>-asws</sup> and he<sup>-asws</sup> allowed his marriage, and he<sup>-asws</sup> said: ‘The cats are animals’.<sup>2</sup>

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Ali Bin Ibrahim, from his father, from Ibn Abu Umeyr, from Umar Bin Azina, from Zurara,

<sup>1</sup> Al Kafi – V 3 – The Book of Cleanliness Ch 4 H 3

<sup>2</sup> Al Kafi – V 5 – The Book of Marriage Ch 184 H 17

(It has been narrated) from Abu Abdullah<sup>-asws</sup> having said, ‘In the Book of Ali<sup>-asws</sup>, ‘The cat is a predator, but there is no problem with its leftovers, and I<sup>-asws</sup> would be embarrassed from Allah<sup>-azwj</sup> if I<sup>-asws</sup> were to leave food because a cat has eaten from it’.<sup>3</sup>

عَلِيُّ بْنُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ عَنْ أَبِيهِ عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ الْمُغَيْرَةِ أَنَّهُ قَالَ فِي كِتَابِ سَمَاعَةَ رَفَعَهُ إِلَى أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ ( عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام ) إِنَّ أَصَابَ التَّوْبَ شَيْءٌ مِنْ بَوْلِ السِّنُّورِ فَلَا تَصِحُّ الصَّلَاةُ فِيهِ حَتَّى تَغْسِلَهُ .

Ali Bin Ibrahim, from his father, from Abdullah Bin Al Mugheira who said, ‘In a book of Sama’at,

(It has been narrated) raising it to Abu Abdullah<sup>-asws</sup>: ‘If something from cat urine hits the clothes, so the *Salaat* would not be correct until you wash it (first)’.<sup>4</sup>

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Ali Bin Ibrahim, from his father, from Abdullah Bin Al Mugheira, from Sama’at,

(It has been narrated) from Abu Abdullah<sup>-asws</sup> having said: ‘If something from the urine of a cat were to hit the clothes, so the *Salaat* would not be correct in it, until you wash it’.<sup>5</sup>

مُحَمَّدُ بْنُ الْحَسَنِ بِإِسْنَادِهِ عَنِ الْحُسَيْنِ بْنِ سَعِيدٍ عَنْ فَضَالَةَ عَنْ أَبِي بَانَ عَنْ مُحَمَّدِ بْنِ مُسْلِمٍ وَ عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ بْنِ أَبِي عَبْدِ اللَّهِ قَالَ ثَمَّ الْكَلْبِ الَّذِي لَا يَصِيدُ سُحْتٌ ثُمَّ قَالَ وَ لَا بَأْسَ بِثَمَنِ الْهَرِّ

Muhammad ibn al-Hassan that al-Hussein bin Said has shown for residues from Muhammad ibn Muslim, and Abdul Rahman bin Abu Abdullah<sup>-asws</sup> said: ‘The haunting dog’s price is not ‘Haram’<sup>6</sup> and there is no Haram in taking the price for a cat.’<sup>7</sup>

م، تفسير الإمام عليه السلام قال عليُّ بنُ الحسينِ ع

Tafseer Al-Imam (Hassan Al-Askari)<sup>-asws</sup> – ‘Ali<sup>-asws</sup> Bin Al-Husayn<sup>-asws</sup> said .....

فَأَنْزَلَهَا عَلَيْهِمْ فَمَنْ كَفَرَ بَعْدَ مِنْهُمْ مَسَحَهُ اللَّهُ إِمَّا خَنْزِيرًا وَ إِمَّا قِوْدًا وَ إِمَّا دُبًّا وَ إِمَّا هِرًّا وَ إِمَّا عَلَى صُورَةِ بَعْضِ الطُّيُورِ وَ الدَّوَابِّ الَّتِي فِي الْبَرِّ وَ الْبَحْرِ حَتَّى مُسِحُوا عَلَى أَرْبَعِمَائَةِ نَوْعٍ مِنَ الْمَسْحِ

He<sup>-azwj</sup> did Send it down upon them, and the one from who committed *Kufr* afterwards, Allah<sup>-azwj</sup> Transformed him to either a pig, or a monkey, or a bear, **or a cat**, or upon an image of

<sup>3</sup> Al Kafi – V 3 – The Book of Cleanliness Ch 6 H 4

<sup>4</sup> Al Kafi – V 3 – The Book of Cleanliness Ch 36 H 5

<sup>5</sup> Al Kafi – V 3 – The Book of Cleanliness Ch 37 H 8

<sup>6</sup> Forbidden, illegal

<sup>7</sup> Tafseer-e-Aayashi, Wasail ul Shia, vol. 17, H. 22137

some of the birds and the animals which are in the land and the sea, to the extent that He<sup>-azwj</sup> Transformed (them) upon a variety of four hundred transformations..... (an extract)<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>8</sup> Bihar Al Anwaar – V 19, The book of our Prophet<sup>-saww</sup>, P 3 Ch 29 H 24