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[Amali Tusi, part 1, p. 393]

and indeed you possess a great character.

[Quran verse 4 Surah Qalam]

Messenger of God (pbuhahf):

I was chosen as a prophet to accomplish the important task of moral perfection within human souls.

[Bihar Al-Anwar: v. 16, p. 287]

Messenger of God (pbuhahf):

O Abu Dharr, wear coarse clothing and dress modestly, so that pride does not find a way in you.

[Al-Amali by Al-Tusi: 539/1162]

Messenger of God (pbuhahf):Whoever dies having an atom's weight of arrogance in his heart will never smell the scent of Paradise, unless that he repents before he dies.[Bihar Al-Anwar: 74/77]

Messenger of God (pbuhahf):

He who eats around someone looking at him and does not give him, he will be afflicted with a disease that has no cure.

[Tanbih al-Khawahir, Part 1, pg. 47]

Imam Sadiq (pbuh):

The wisest of people are those who have the best of character.

[Al-Kafi, vol. 1, p. 23]

Imam al-Sadiq (pbuh):

Being good-natured brings about an increase in sustenance.

[Bihar al-Anwar, v. 71, p. 396, no. 77]

Imam Musa al-Kazim (pbuh):

Verily, a seed grows in soft ground and does not grow on stone, in the same way that wisdom thrives in the heart of the humble and does not thrive in the heart of the proud and haughty, because God has made humbleness the instrument of the intellect and arrogance the instrument of ignorance.

[Bihar al-Anwar, vol. 1, pg. 153]

Imam Al-Kadhim (pbuh):

Whoever seeks rightful provision to provide it to his family and himself is like a mujahid (fighter) in the path of God.

[Al-Kafi: 5/93/3]