

١١٩. وَقَالَ (عليه السلام): مَثَلُ الدُّنْيَا كَمَثَلِ الْحَيَّةِ لَيِّنٌ مَسَّهَا وَالسَّمُّ النَّاقِعُ فِي جَوْفِهَا يَهْوَى إِلَيْهَا الْغَرُّ الْجَاهِلُ وَيَحْذَرُهَا ذُو اللُّبِّ الْعَاقِلُ.

119. Amīr al-mu'minīn, peace be upon him, said: The example of the world is like a serpent. It is soft to the touch but its inside is full of venom. An ignorant person who has fallen into deceit is attracted towards it but a wise and intelligent man keeps on his guard against it.