

٢١٢. وَقَالَ (عليه السلام): عَجِبُ الْمَرْءِ بِنَفْسِهِ أَحَدُ حُسَادِ عَقْلِهِ.

212. Amīr al-mu'minīn, peace be upon him, said: A man's vanity for himself is one of the enemies of his intelligence. [1]

Footnote :

[1] It means that just as an envious person cannot appreciate any good in him whom he envies, similarly, vanity cannot tolerate the emergence of intelligence or the prominence of good qualities as a result of which the envious person remains devoid of those qualities which are deemed to be good by human intellect.