

٢٩٥. وَقَالَ (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ): أَصْدِقَاؤُكَ ثَلَاثَةٌ، وَأَعْدَاؤُكَ ثَلَاثَةٌ: فَأَصْدِقَاؤُكَ: صَدِيقُكَ، وَصَدِيقُ صَدِيقِكَ، وَعَدُوُّ عَدُوِّكَ. وَأَعْدَاؤُكَ: عَدُوُّكَ، وَعَدُوُّ صَدِيقِكَ، وَصَدِيقُ عَدُوِّكَ.

295. Amīr al-mu'minīn, peace be upon him, said: Your friends are three and your enemies are (also) three. Your friends are: your friend, your friend's friend and your enemy's enemy. And your enemies are: your enemy, your friend's enemy and your enemy's friend.