

□□. وَقَالَ (عليه السلام): الْإِسْتِغْنَاءُ عَنِ الْعُذْرِ أَعَزُّ مِنَ الصِّدْقِ بِهِ.

329. Amīr al-mu'minīn, peace be upon him, said: Not to be in need of putting forth an excuse is better than putting forth a true excuse. [1]

Footnote :

[1] The meaning is that obligations should be so discharged that there is no occasion for putting forth excuses, because after all in making excuse there is a hint of shortcoming and humbleness, even though it may be true and correct.