

ﻭﻋﺰّٰى (ﻋﻠﯿﻪ ﺍﻟﺴﻼﻡ) ﻗﻮﻣﺎً ﻋﻦ ﻣﯿﺖٍ ﻣﺎﺕَ ﻟﻬﻢْ ﻓﻘﺎﻝَ (ﻋﻠﯿﻪ ﺍﻟﺴﻼﻡ):

357. Condoling with people among whom one had died, Amīr al-mu'minīn, peace be upon him, said:

إِنَّ هَذَا الْأَمْرَ لَيْسَ لَكُمْ بَدَأً، وَلَا إِلَيْكُمْ أَنْتَهَى، وَقَدْ كَانَ صَاحِبِكُمْ هَذَا يُسَافِرُ، فَعُدُّوهُ فِي بَعْضِ أَسْفَارِهِ، فَإِنَّ قَدِمَ عَلَيْكُمْ وَإِلَّا قَدِمْتُمْ عَلَيْهِ.

This thing has not started with you nor does it end with you. This fellow of yours was used to journeying and therefore it is better to think him still to be journeying. Either he will rejoin you or else you will rejoin him.