

٤١٥. وَقَالَ (عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامُ) فِي صِفَةِ الدُّنْيَا: تَغْرِي وَتُضِرُّ وَتَمُرُّ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ تَعَالَى لَمْ يَرْضَهَا ثَوَابًا لِأَوْلِيَائِهِ، وَلَا عِقَابًا لِأَعْدَائِهِ، وَإِنَّ أَهْلَ الدُّنْيَا كَرَكِبٍ بَيْنَهُمْ حَلَدُوا إِذْ صَاحَ بِهِمْ سَائِقُهُمْ فَارْتَحَلُوا.

415. Amīr al-mu'minīn, peace be upon him, said about the world: It deceives, it harms and it passes away. Allāh, the Sublime, did not approve it as a reward for His lovers nor as a punishment for His enemies. In fact, the people of this world are like those riders that as soon as they alighted the driver called out to them and they marched off.