



*The Sayings*  
*of*  
*Mansoor Hashemi Khorasani*







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*Bismillah Ar-Rahman Ar-Rahim*

**A saying from his honor about the cognition standard which is intellect and the Book and Sunnah<sup>1</sup> are recognized by it.**

أَخْبَرَنَا أَبُو إِبْرَاهِيمَ السَّمَرْقَنْدِيُّ قَالَ: سَمِعْتُ الْمَنْصُورَ الْهَاشِمِيَّ الْخُرَاسَانِيَّ يَقُولُ: الْعَقْلُ مَالُ الْمَعْرِفَةِ وَكُلُّ مَعْرِفَةٍ لَا تَوُودُ إِلَى الْعَقْلِ فَجَهْلٌ عَلَى جَهْلٍ! قُلْتُ: عِنْدَنَا قَوْمٌ يَتَبَرَّئُونَ مِنَ الْعَقْلِ! قَالَ: وَهَلْ يَتَبَرَّءُ مِنَ الْعَقْلِ إِلَّا مَجْنُونٌ؟! قُلْتُ: إِنَّهُمْ يَقُولُونَ مَالُ الْمَعْرِفَةِ الْكِتَابُ وَالسُّنَّةُ! قَالَ: وَهَلْ يُعْرِفُ الْكِتَابُ وَالسُّنَّةُ إِلَّا بِالْعَقْلِ؟! الْعَقْلُ أَصْلُ الْمَعْرِفَةِ وَالْكِتَابُ وَالسُّنَّةُ سَوْفُهَا وَالْخُلَفَاءُ فِي الْأَرْضِ أَغْصَانُهَا فَمَنْ تَرَكَ الْعَقْلَ فَقَدْ قَطَعَ أَصْلَ الْمَعْرِفَةِ وَمَنْ تَرَكَ الْكِتَابَ وَالسُّنَّةَ فَقَدْ قَطَعَ سَوْفَهَا وَمَنْ تَرَكَ الْخُلَفَاءَ فِي الْأَرْضِ فَقَدْ قَطَعَ أَغْصَانَهَا وَكُلُّ مُحْرَمُونَ مِنْ أَكْلِهَا وَثَمَرَتِهَا!

**Translation of the saying:**

Abu Ibrahim Samarghandi informed us and said: I heard Mansoor Hashemi Khorasani was saying: intellect is the returning point of cognition and any cognition that does not return to intellect, is an ignorance upon another ignorance! I said: there are some people beside us who hate intellect! He said: and does anybody other than a crazy person hate intellect?! I said: they say that the returning point of cognition, is the Book and Sunnah! He said: and do the Book and Sunnah become recognized by something other than intellect?! Intellect is the root of cognition, and the Book and Sunnah are its stem and Caliphs on earth are its branches; so whoever abandons intellect, has cut the root of cognition and whoever abandons the Book and Sunnah, has cut its stem and whoever abandons the Caliphs on

1 . [Translator note: Prophet's tradition]



earth, has cut its branches and they all are deprived of its  
crop and fruit!

