Proof of Imamat

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Principle of Excellence

*Namely: Evidences and demonstrations of the proof of Imamat are from the external world (afaq) and the internal world (anfus).*

- The universe and the creatures in it consist of different kinds or parts.
- Every large part consists of many small parts.
- There is one excellent and higher individual in the small and large parts.
Evidence of Heavenly Bodies

• In the universe there are many stars and among those stars there is one so radiant that it provides light and heat to the rest of the stars in the universe.
Evidence Of The Four Elements

• There are four elements earth, water, air, and fire.
• Fire is the most subtle of all the elements and has the characteristics of the sun, light, and heat. It is also in the form of electricity.
Evidence of Numbers

• 0 is the example of the spiritual world because it is beyond quantity.
• 1 is the middle rank between the spiritual world and physical world.
• The other 8 numbers represent the physical world.
• Number 1 shows superiority because without number one the other numbers would not follow.
Other Examples of The Principle Of Excellence

• Among quadruped animals, the most excellent are those whose flesh is lawful to eat, and among them the most excellent is the camel.
• The most excellent among minerals are metals and among them, gold.
• The most excellent among trees are fruit bearing ones and among them the palm tree is the best.
• Among the heavenly Books, the Qur’an is the most excellent, and the most excellent from its surahs is the Suratu’l-Fatihah, which is in the position of Ummu’l-Kitab (The Mother of The Book)
Among all the buildings, mosques and houses of worship are the excellent and among them the Ka`bah is the most excellent, because God has specifically called it “My House” (2:125; 22:26).
The most excellent of the external organs are those which are the centers of the senses and among them the eyes.
The most excellent among flowers are the fragrant ones, and among them the rose is the most excellent.
The most excellent of internal organs of a human being are heart, brain, liver, lungs, gall bladder, spleen and kidneys and among them, the heart.
There must be an individual who is superior to all other humans and who is he?

“(O Prophet!) Verily, you are a warner, and for every people (of every age) there is a guide.” (13:7).
“Today the Ismailis are the only Shia community who, throughout history, have been led by a living, hereditary Imam in direct descent from the Prophet.”

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