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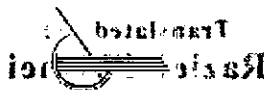
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INTRODUCTION

In a meeting with some friends, one raised a question about things Imam Ali (PUH) did and words he said during his 25 years of silence and patience. As all the people in the meeting had not enough study about the subject of the question, all the offered answers were unfortunately incorrect or at least partially correct.

Therefore, I felt the necessity of conducting a research on that subject. To do this research, I went to a library and found a book titled "25 years of silence" by Fo'ad Faroughi. But unfortunately, the author of this book not only did not mention and analyse the problems Imam Ali (PUH) had with the current rulers, but also pretended that Imam Ali (PUH) had no problem with the current governments. Seemingly, the author intended to prove a friendship and good relationship between Imam Ali (PUH) and the First and Second Rulers and their governments. Actually, this way of titling surprises just people and misguides common people.

Reading the mentioned book, I firmly decided to research on the realities and problems of Imam Ali's (PUH) relationship with the current governments during those 25 years and to write a book on it.

The content of the current book is divided into two parts:

Imam Ali's (PUH) actions and deeds during 25 years of silence and patience.

Imam Ali's (PUH) talks and words during 25 years of silence and patience.

INTRODUCTION

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In a meeting with some friends one time I was asked to write a book about Imam Ali (PUH) and his role in the history of Islam. I had not enough study about the subject of the question and the related areas were not enough in my mind. I was partially correct.

Therefore I felt the necessity of conducting a research on that subject. To do this research I went to a library and found a book about 25 years of silence and patience. But unfortunately the author of this book did not give a clear definition and analysis for the term (25 years of silence and patience) which was also provided in Imam Ali (PUH) had no problem with the current government's leadership. One author intended to prove a friendship and good relationship between Imam Ali (PUH) and the first and second rulers and their governments. Actually, this was not the case. It was just people and misguided common people.

Reading the mentioned book I firmly decided to research on the subject and I obtained Imam Ali's (PUH) relationship with the current governments during those 25 years and to write a book on it.

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