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[Nahj al-Balagha: Wisdom 252]

You are the best of the nations raised up for (the benefit of) men; you enjoin what is right and forbid the wrong and believe in Allah

[Quran, V 110, S. Al Imran]

Messenger of God (pbuhahf):

When the world becomes big in the eyes of the people of my nation, the glory of Islam will be taken away from them. And whenever enjoining the good and forbidding the evil is left away by them, they will be deprived of the blessings of the revelation (Quran and Hadith).

[Kanz al-Ummal: 6070]

Messenger of God (pbuhahf):

Either you enjoin what is good and forbid what is evil, or God's punishment will certainly come over you.

[Wasail Al-Shia: 11/407/12]

Messenger of God (pbuhahf):

"Whoever is saddened by his bad deeds and pleased by his good deeds is a believer." [Al-Amali by As-Saduq: 267/290]

Imam Ali (pbuh):

One who enjoins what is good strengthens the backs of the believers.

[Ghurar al-Hikam v. 2, p. 22]

Imam Ali pbuh:

Enjoin what is right until you are one of its people, and prevent evil with your hand and tongue, and seriously avoid the one who does bad deeds.

[Letter 31, Nahj al-Balagha]

Imam Ali (pbuh):

All the virtuous deeds including struggling in the way of Allah as compared to the enjoining of the good and dissuasion from evil are just like a drop in the deep ocean.

[Nahj al-Balagha: H. 374]

Imam Ali (pbuh):

God did not curse the people of the past and did not turn them away from His mercy, except because they abandoned enjoining the good and forbidding the evil.

[Nahj al-Balagha, sermon 192]

Imam Hussain (pbuh):

It is not suitable for a believer to see someone disobeying God, and he does not prevent him.

[Kanz Al-Ummal, v 3, p 85]

Imam Al-Baqir pbuh:

Enjoining what is good and forbidding what is evil are two of the creations of Allah, the Almighty. Whoever supports them, Allah will honor him and whoever leaves them alone Allah will leave him alone.

[Al-Khisa: 42/32]

Imam Sadiq (pbuh):

On the authority of his fathers, peace be upon them: God revealed to one of the prophets to tell his people: Do not wear the clothes of My enemies, and do not eat the food of My enemies, and do not behave like My enemies. In such a case, if you do, you too like them will become My enemy.

[Wasail al-Shia: 11/111/1]

Imam Reza (pbuh):

The Messenger of God, may God's blessings be upon him and his family, used to say: "Whenever my nation refuses to enjoin what is good and forbid what is evil, and leaves that to one another, it is as if they have declared war on God." [Wasail al-Shia, vol. 11, p. 394]