



means no harm to Imam and only fears him. One day Motavakel asked Yahya, “How did Ali ibn Mohammad lead his life in Medina?” Yahya answered: “I saw nothing but piety, worshipping God and inattention towards worldly affairs from him. And when I searched his house as you ordered, I saw nothing but the Holy Qur’an and scientific books.” After Motavakel heard these words, he was happy and peaceful. Although Motavakel was against Ahl ul-Bayt, he was frightened to face Imam Hadi. It has also been recorded in history that Motavakel’s mother used to respect Imam Hadi very much. When Motavakel got sick and doctors were unable to cure him, Motavakel’s mother vowed to send gifts to Imam Hadi if his son got cured. Imam Hadi recommended a medicine which

cured him. Imam knew very well that Motavakel had much enmity towards him and his family. It was because of this enmity that Imam Hadi did his activities in secret and away from the eyes of Motavakel. Motavakel who could not stand Imam, ordered the killing of Imam Hadi during the late stages of his life. He ordered one of his men named ‘Sa’id ibn Hajeb’ to kill the Imam. Finally, Imam Hadi (a.s.) was martyred at the age of 41 (254 AH) in the city of Samera.