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Peak Of Eloquence, Nahjul Balagha



Synopsis

The Prophet Muhammad referred to his eloquent son-in-law Ali as the 'gate to the city of knowledge.' • Peak of Eloquence, Nahjul Balagha, is both a compilation of Ali's sermons, letters, and sayings and a glimpse into his personality. Compiled by Sayyid al-Sharif ar-Radi more than 1,000 years ago, it is considered a literary masterpiece and, by the Shia Muslims, the most valuable text after the Holy Qur'an.

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Nahaj-ul-Balagha is a book that contains the sermons, letters & sayings of Hazrat Ali, who is the first Imam of Shiite Muslims. He is the fourth Caliph of Sunni Muslims. Hazrat Ali was also the son in Law of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). Hazrat Ali is known for his wisdom and bravery and this is what to be found in this book. This book teaches a person that how worthless this world is, how we should not indulge in desires or keep hopes in this world. The highness of knowledge is explained and practical knowledge is called the best knowledge. Also the being of God is explained and it is told that real life is afterlife not of this world. Generally Nahaj-ul-Balagha can be called a book of wisdom which covers all the aspects of human life not only the religious side of life but also the practical one. I recommend this book to anyone who is doing research on Islam or anyone who wants a real picture of this world and the one hereafter.

This is an excellent book, and one of the few translations available in English.. sure, the translation is obviously influenced by the translators English, this however does not detract from the Eloquence

of the book itself.. some passages, words, or phrases, may require a re-read.. but it also allows us an opportunity to pause and reflect. The introduction offers a nice view in preparation, for a better understanding of the history and importance of the text itself.. it's great to have the opportunity to read this book.

The book is well formatted, but the translation is lacking. It is a great book to use to understand the great personage that is known to the world as Ali ibn Abu Talib. In this volume, one will grow to understand the rise of the Umayyads, the caliphate of Ali, and the Sunni-Shia split. There is also much practical wisdom offered through the sermons and letters of Ali.

• Nahjol-Balagha • or • Nahjul Balagha • or • Nahaj-ul-Balagha • : (• Peak of Eloquence •): • Imam Ali bin Ali Talib • 's Sermons, Letters and Sayings •, compiled by: Sayyid Shareef Ar-Razi; Translator: Sayyid Ali Reza; Introduction notes by: Sayyid M. Askary Jafery; Publisher: Ansariyan Pub-Qum; Second Reprint 1421-1379-2000(CE); Third Reprint 1424-1382-2003(CE); Qty: 2,000 copies; pages: 704; all in the English language. [Other editions as • Nahjul Balagha • have 900 pages, and printed since 2003.] Master Contents: Introduction: pp.6-102; Sermons: 103-602; Sayings: 603-700. Sample topics: History of Ali: genealogy, konya, upbringing, characteristics, relatives, his foes, his friends, dress; Hazrat Ali as ruler & statesman, his army, his finance dept., his justice dept.; Sunni & Shiia commentators; • Caution Against Rebellion • p. 414; traditions; prayer; ablutions; LETTERS: • Ali and his letters to the enemies, and the governors of his provinces, including letters of appointments to his administration officers, and his injections [injunctions?] to members of companies •. Hey, seems like everything Imam Ali ever uttered has been compiled into this large hardback.

With the words of this book eloquence cannot escape you. It's rich in history and all aspects to enhance anyone's life. You can find solutions to all problems that one may be challenged by. This book would open minds of Presidents, preachers, and all people who seek peace and reformation of all unjust creations. This book combines superior knowledge, elusive history, and the true meaning of Islam.

Recommend reading it to ALL people. Teaches you how to live life. You will not only please The Lord but also make a place for yourself in life after death on earth if you practice what is written in the book. Good luck :)

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