This talk is on a short collection of akhbār by the 4th/10th-century ḥadīth scholar al-Dāraquṭnī entitled Fadā’īl al-ṣaḥāba wa-manāqibuhum wa-qawl ba’dihim fī ba’d, a work comprised exclusively of sayings of the Companions about the family of the Prophet and vice versa. The extant portion of the eleventh chapter of the text contains approximately eighty reports dedicated solely to the sayings of ‘Alī and a few other members of the Ahl al-Bayt. This talk is an analysis of those reports, with a focus on the early Zaydī and proto-Shī‘ī interlocutors described therein.

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