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- Seeking knowledge is like a business in which you profit 100% of the time for every investment you make

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Topic: 10 Key Point To The Virtues Of Seeking Knowledge

Point 1: Knowledge Is The Key To Guidance

- With knowledge, a person knows what pleases and displeases Allah

🔑 Taa-Haa (20:123) First point proof

قَالَ اهْبِطَا مِنْهَا جَمِيعًا بَعْضُكُمْ لِبَعْضٍ عَدُوٌّ فَإِمَّا يَأْتِيَنَّكُمْ مِنِّي هُدًى فَمَنِ اتَّبَعَ هُدَايَ فَلَا يَضِلُّ وَلَا يَشْقَى

Said: "Get you down, both of you, together, some of you are an enemy to some others. Then if there comes to you guidance from Me, then **whoever follows My Guidance shall neither go astray, nor fall into distress and misery.**

Point 2: Knowledge Is The Foundation Of Every Single Act Of Worship

- You cannot worship Allah on **ignorance**
- Worship is not accepted unless it is with **sincerity** to Allah and it follows the **guidelines** Allah set

🕯 Al-Kahf (18:110) Second point proof ▾

قُلْ إِنَّمَا أَنَا بَشَرٌ مِّثْلُكُمْ يُوحَىٰ إِلَيَّ أَنَّمَا إِلَهُكُمُ اللَّهُ وَاجِدُ فَمَنْ كَانَ يَرْجُوا لِقَاءَ رَبِّهِ فَلْيَعْمَلْ عَمَلًا صَالِحًا وَلَا يُشْرِكْ بِعِبَادَةِ رَبِّهِ أَحَدًا

Say: "I am only a man like you. It has been inspired to me that your Ilah is One Ilah. So whoever hopes for the Meeting with his Rabb, let him **work righteousness** and associate none as a partner in the worship of his Rabb."

- Here Allah says "**A'mala Saliha**" and not "**A'mala**" hence **actions must be righteous** (Saliha), in accordance to the **divine revelations**. The actions should not be something that comes from ones **intellect without divine revelation** as these actions are **not Righteous** (Saliha)
- Based on point 2, the scholars have said that the **blind follower does not worship Allah as he has no knowledge**

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Point 3: Knowledge Teaches The Slave What Protects Him From The Plots Of The Shaytaan

- If you do not have knowledge, you are an easy target for Shaytaan to whisper and confuse you and misguide you
- Knowledge will teach you how to retaliate against your enemies
- It also teaches a person how to **protect himself in times of fitnah, trials and tribulations**
- So you should hold firmly to what Allah has revealed and this can only be done with knowledge
- Hence, **knowledge protects and drives away from harm**

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Point 4: Allah Loves Knowledge And Loves The Scholars

- Allah has **praised** and **venerated** the **scholars**
- Allah **loves** that his **slaves seek knowledge**
- That is why we see that the greater the knowledge of scholars, the closer they are to Allah and the more they love Allah
- You **need knowledge to love Allah**, and **for Allah to love you necessitates that you seek knowledge**
- There is nothing mentioned in the **Quran** with such a **high status** greater than **the act of seeking knowledge and knowing Allah**

Point 5: By Seeking Knowledge, The Slave Obtains Knowledge Of His Creator

- Knowledge is of different types, the knowledge which has the **most reward** is **knowledge of Allah**, that is, **Ilm Ut Tawheed**
 - So the slave learns about [Asma Ul Husna](#) (dominion, might, etc) and Allah's attributes (hands, face etc...)
- We need to know the **names** and **attributes** of Allah so that we can **recognize our God** and worship him alone
- The first type of knowledge you should seek is the **knowledge about Allah**
- Believing in the **perfect attributes** of Allah has an **positive impact** on the life of a believer.
 - When the slave is in **need**, he will know that Allah is the one who **gives**
 - When the slave **sins**, he will know that Allah is the most **merciful**
- Attributes of the creation are **imperfect**, the attributes of Allah are **perfect**
- All of these benefits **cannot be achieved without knowledge**

🔗 Ash-Shura (42:11) ▾

فَاطِرُ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ ۚ جَعَلَ لَكُمْ مِنْ أَنْفُسِكُمْ أَزْوَاجًا وَمِنَ الْأَنْعَامِ أَزْوَاجًا يَذُرُّكُمْ فِيهِ ۚ لَيْسَ كَمِثْلِهِ شَيْءٌ ۚ وَهُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْبَصِيرُ

The Creator of the heavens and the earth. He has made for you mates from yourselves, and for the cattle mates. By this means He creates you. **There is nothing like unto Him**, and He is the All-Hearer, the All-Seer.

Point 6: With Knowledge, True Respect And Honor Is Obtained, In This World And The Hereafter

- Proper Knowledge of the deen raises the status and the rank of a person
- This respect and honor will not only be limited to this life, but it will extend to the hereafter

🔖 Al-Mujaadila (58:11) ▾

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِذَا قِيلَ لَكُمْ تَفَسَّحُوا فِي الْمَجَالِسِ فَافْسَحُوا يَفْسَحِ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ وَإِذَا قِيلَ انشُرُوا فَانْشُرُوا يَرْفَعِ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنْكُمْ وَالَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْعِلْمَ دَرَجَاتٍ ۚ وَاللَّهُ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ خَبِيرٌ

O you who believe! When you are told to make room in the assemblies, make room. Allah will give you room. And when you are told to rise up, rise up. **Allah will exalt in degree those of you who believe, and those who have been granted knowledge.** And Allah is Well-Acquainted with what you do.

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Point 7: Knowledge Leads You To Good Manners

- Only when you **have knowledge**, you **achieve good manners**
- **True knowledge** cannot be **without good manners**
- Knowledge **necessitates** good manners
- With this **knowledge**, he can also **detect bad manners**
- Good manners **precede** seeking knowledge
- Islam teaches us a way of good conduct that is **free of offending others**

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Point 8: Knowledge Enable One To Do Good Actions (Like Charity, Prayer Etc.)

🔖 Hadith, Sahih Muslim 2674

- Abu Huraira reported Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) as saying:
- He who called (people) to **righteousness** ,
 - there would be reward (assured) for him **like the rewards of those who adhered to it, without their rewards being diminished** in any respect.
- And he who called (people) to **error** ,
 - he shall have to carry (the burden) of its sin, **like those who committed it, without their sins being diminished** in any respect

🔗 Hadith, Sahih Muslim 2674

- It was narrated from Abu Hurairah that the Messenger of Allah said:
- "When a man dies all his good deeds come to an end except three:
 1. Ongoing **charity** (Sadaqah Jariyah),
 2. Beneficial **knowledge** and
 3. A righteous **son** who prays for him

△ Benefits

- Out of all of these:
 - A son can die
 - Ongoing charity can end
- But knowledge is the one that is **guaranteed to be continuous** without any interruption,
 - So if you seek knowledge, obtain knowledge, and teach knowledge, **your investment is guaranteed and never cut off until the day of judgement**

Point 9: True Knowledge Is A Shield To Protect Oneself

- **True knowledge** helps you **differentiate** between **a chameleon, a celebrity, a scholar and a storyteller**.
- Knowledge can only be learned from those who are **qualified**, those who are **endorsed** by the scholars and those who **inherit** knowledge from the **Isnad** (The chain of transmission from Nabi (ﷺ))

Point 10: Allah Prefers And Gives A High Status To One Who Has Knowledge

- Allah taught Adam AS the **names of everything**, and due to this **knowledge** of his, Allah commanded the angels to **prostrate** to Adam AS

- When the dog has been mentioned in the Quran, the dog who has the **knowledge** of hunting (hunting dog) was **given preference over the dog that does not have knowledge**

Conclusion

- From this we can conclude, **seeking, obtaining and teaching knowledge** is the **best profession**.
- **Talib Ul Ilm** (Student Of Knowledge) is the **best** and **the most rewarding profession** in **this life** and the **next**.