



THE VIRTUES OF KNOWLEDGE

KITAB AL-'ILM IN MISHKĀT AL-MASABIH

Introduction

- Book name: *Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ*
- Author: *Khaṭīb al-Tabrīzī* (d. 740 AH)
- *Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ* was compiled based on the book *al-Maṣābīḥ*, written by *Imam al-Baghawī*
- *Imam al-Baghawī*'s book had some areas for growth, so *al-Tabrīzī* made some additions to it
- *Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ* is one of the most comprehensive hadith books in terms of mutun (hadith content)

Kitāb al-‘Ilm

- The chapter on knowledge focuses on the importance and virtues of seeking beneficial knowledge
- Each chapter is divided into 3 parts:
 - Al-Fasl al-Awwal: contains narrations found in Sahih Bukhari and Muslim
 - Al-Fasl al-Thānī: contains narrations found in other books like Abu Dawūd, Muwaṭṭa’, Tirmidhī, etc.
 - Al-Fasl al-Thālith: contains narrations added by Imam al-Tabrīzī

Hadith 1

عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «بَلْغُوا عَنِّي وَلَوْ آيَةً وَحَدَّثُوا عَنْ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ وَلَا حَرَجَ وَمَنْ كَذَبَ عَلَيَّ مُتَعَمِّدًا فَلْيَتَبَوَّأْ مَقْعَدَهُ مِنَ النَّارِ». رَوَاهُ الْبُخَارِيُّ

‘Abdallah b. ‘Amr reported God’s messenger as saying, “Pass on information from me, even if it is only a verse of the Qur’an; and relate traditions from the Bani Isra’il, for there is no restriction; but let him who deliberately lies against me come to his abode in hell.”

Hadith 2

وَعَنْ سَمْرَةَ بْنِ جُنْدُبٍ وَالْمُغِيرَةَ بْنِ شُعْبَةَ قَالَا: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: مَنْ حَدَّثَ عَنِّي بِحَدِيثٍ يَرَى أَنَّهُ كَذِبٌ فَهُوَ أَحَدُ الْكَاذِبِينَ. رَوَاهُ مُسْلِمٌ

Samura b. Jundub and al-Mughira b. Shu'ba reported God's messenger as saying, “If anyone relates a tradition from me thinking that it is false, he is one of the liars.”

Hadith 3

وَعَنْ مُعَاوِيَةَ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: مَنْ يُرِدِ اللَّهُ بِهِ خَيْرًا يُفَقِّهُ فِي الدِّينِ
وَإِنَّمَا أَنَا قَاسِمٌ وَاللَّهُ يُعْطِي

Mu'awiya reported God's messenger as saying, “When God wishes good for anyone He instructs him in the religion. I am only a distributor; God gives.”

Hadith 4

وَعَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: النَّاسُ مَعَادِنٌ كَمَعَادِنِ
الْذَّهَبِ وَالْفِضَّةِ خِيَارُهُمْ فِي الْجَاهِلِيَّةِ خِيَارُهُمْ فِي الْإِسْلَامِ إِذَا فَقِهُوا . رَوَاهُ مُسْلِمٌ

Abu Huraira reported God's messenger as saying, “The people are mines like mined of gold and silver; the best among them in the pre-Islamic period are the best among them in Islam when they are versed in the religion.”

Hadith 5

وَعَنِ ابْنِ مَسْعُودٍ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: لَا حَسَدَ إِلَّا فِي اثْنَتَيْنِ رَجُلٍ آتَاهُ اللَّهُ
مَالًا فَسَلَطَهُ عَلَى هَلْكَتِهِ فِي الْحَقِّ وَرَجُلٍ آتَاهُ اللَّهُ الْحِكْمَةَ فَهُوَ يَقْضِي بِهَا وَيَعْلَمُهَا

Ibn Mas'ud reported God's messenger as saying, “Two people only may be envied: a man to whom God has given wealth, empowering him to dispose of it on what is right; and a man to whom God has given wisdom who acts according to it and teaches it.”

Hadith 6

وَعَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: إِذَا مَاتَ الْإِنْسَانُ انْقَطَعَ عَمَلُهُ إِلَّا مِنْ ثَلَاثَةِ أَشْيَاءَ: صَدَقَةٌ جَارِيَةٌ أَوْ عِلْمٌ يُنْتَفَعُ بِهِ أَوْ وَلَدٌ صَالِحٌ يَدْعُو لَهُ.

مسلم

Abu Huraira reported God's messenger as saying, “When a man dies, his actions are cut off except in 3 things: sadaqa which continues to be supplied, knowledge that benefits, or a righteous child who prays for him.”

Hadith 7

وَعَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «مَنْ نَفَسَ عَنْ مُؤْمِنٍ كُرْبَةً مِنْ كُرَبِ الدُّنْيَا
نَفَسَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ كُرْبَةً مِنْ كُرَبِ يَوْمِ الْقِيَامَةِ وَمِنْ يَسَرَ عَلَى مُعْسِرٍ يَسَرَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ.
وَمَنْ سَتَرَ مُسْلِمًا سَتَرَهُ اللَّهُ فِي الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ وَاللَّهُ فِي عَوْنَ الْعَبْدِ مَا كَانَ الْعَبْدُ فِي عَوْنَ أَخِيهِ
وَمَنْ سَلَكَ طَرِيقًا يَلْتَمِسُ فِيهِ عِلْمًا سَهَّلَ اللَّهُ لَهُ بِهِ طَرِيقًا إِلَى الْجَنَّةِ وَمَا اجْتَمَعَ قَوْمٌ فِي بَيْتٍ مِنْ
بُيُوتِ اللَّهِ يَتْلُونَ كِتَابَ اللَّهِ وَيَتَدَارَسُونَهُ بَيْنَهُمْ إِلَّا نَزَلَتْ عَلَيْهِمُ السَّكِينَةُ وَغَشِّيَتْهُمُ الرَّحْمَةُ
وَحَفَّتْهُمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ وَذَكَرُهُمُ اللَّهُ فِيمَنْ عِنْدَهُ وَمَنْ بَطَأَ بِهِ عَمَلُهُ لَمْ يُسْرِعْ بِهِ نِسْبَهُ». رَوَاهُ مُسْلِمٌ

Hadith 7

He also reported God's messenger as saying, "If anyone removes one of the anxieties of this world from a believer, God will remove one of the anxieties of the day of resurrection from him; if one smooths the way for one who is destitute, God will smooth the way for him in this world and the next; and if anyone conceals the faults of a Muslim, God will conceal his faults, in this world and the next. God helps a man as long as he helps his brother. If anyone pursues a path in search of knowledge, God will thereby make easy for him a path to paradise. No company will gather in a mosque to recite God's Book and study it together without calmness descending on them, mercy covering them, the angels surrounding them, and God mentioning them among those who are with Him. But he who is made slow by his actions will not be speeded by his genealogy."

Hadith 8

وَعَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «إِنَّ أَوَّلَ النَّاسِ يُقْضَى عَلَيْهِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ رَجُلٌ اسْتُشْهِدَ فَأُتَيَّ بِهِ فَعَرَفَهُ نِعْمَهُ فَعَرَفَهَا قَالَ فَمَا عَمِلْتَ فِيهَا؟ قَالَ قَاتَلْتُ فِيهِ حَتَّى اسْتُشْهِدْتُ قَالَ كَذَبْتَ وَلَكِنَّكَ قَاتَلْتَ لِأَنْ يُقَالَ جَرِيَءٌ فَقَدْ قِيلَ ثُمَّ أُمِرَ بِهِ فَسُحْبٌ عَلَى وَجْهِهِ حَتَّى أُلْقِيَ فِي النَّارِ وَرَجُلٌ تَعْلَمَ الْعِلْمَ وَعَلَمَهُ وَقَرَأَ الْقُرْآنَ فَأُتَيَ بِهِ فَعَرَفَهُ نِعْمَهُ فَعَرَفَهَا قَالَ فَمَا عَمِلْتَ فِيهَا قَالَ تَعْلَمْتُ الْعِلْمَ وَعَلَمْتُهُ وَقَرَأْتُ فِيهِ الْقُرْآنَ قَالَ كَذَبْتَ وَلَكِنَّكَ تَعْلَمْتَ الْعِلْمَ لِيُقَالَ عَالِمٌ وَقَرَأْتَ الْقُرْآنَ لِيُقَالَ هُوَ قَارِئٌ فَقَدْ قِيلَ ثُمَّ أُمِرَ بِهِ فَسُحْبٌ عَلَى وَجْهِهِ حَتَّى أُلْقِيَ فِي النَّارِ وَرَجُلٌ وَسَعَ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَأَعْطَاهُ مِنْ أَصْنَافِ الْمَالِ كُلُّهُ فَأُتَيَ بِهِ فَعَرَفَهُ نِعْمَهُ فَعَرَفَهَا قَالَ فَمَا عَمِلْتَ فِيهَا؟ قَالَ مَا تَرَكْتُ مِنْ سَبِيلٍ تُحِبُّ أَنْ يُنْفَقَ فِيهَا إِلَّا أَنْفَقْتُ فِيهَا لَكَ قَالَ كَذَبْتَ وَلَكِنَّكَ فَعَلْتَ لِيُقَالَ هُوَ جَوَادٌ فَقَدْ قِيلَ ثُمَّ أُمِرَ بِهِ فَسُحْبٌ عَلَى وَجْهِهِ ثُمَّ أُلْقِيَ فِي النَّارِ». رَوَاهُ مُسْلِمٌ

Hadith 8

He also reported God's messenger as saying, "Among the first of people against whom judgment will be pronounced on the Day of Resurrection will be a man who died as a martyr. He will be brought forth and (God) will make known to him His favors and he will recognize them. (The Almighty) will ask: 'What did you do about them?' He will say: 'I fought for You until I died as a martyr.' He will say: 'You have lied - you did but fight that it might be said [of you]: "He is courageous," and so it was said.' Then he will be ordered to be dragged along on his face until he is cast into Hell-fire. Another will be a man who has studied knowledge and has taught it and who used to recite the Quran. He will be brought and (God) will make known to him His favors and he will recognize them. (The Almighty) will ask: 'What did you do about them?' He will say: 'I studied [religious] knowledge and I taught it and I recited the Quran for Your sake.' He will say: 'You have lied - you did but study [religious] knowledge that it might be said [of you]: "He is learned," and you recited the Quran that it might be said [of you]: "He is a reciter," and so it was said.' Then he will be ordered to be dragged along on his face until he is cast into Hell-fire. And a man whom Allah had made rich and to whom He had given all kinds of wealth. He will be brought and (God) will make known to him His favors and he will recognize them. (The Almighty) will ask: 'What did you do about them?' He will say: 'I left no path [untrodden] in which You like money to be spent without spending in it for Your sake.' He will say: 'You have lied - you did but do so that it might be said [of you]: "He is generous," and so it was said.' Then he will be ordered to be dragged along on his face until he is cast into Hell-fire.".

Hadith 9

وَعَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَقْبِضُ الْعِلْمَ
إِنْتَرَاعًا يَنْتَرِعُهُ مِنَ الْعِبَادِ وَلَكِنْ يَقْبِضُ الْعِلْمَ بِقَبْضِ الْعُلَمَاءِ حَتَّىٰ إِذَا لَمْ يُبْقِ
عَالِمًا اتَّخَذَ النَّاسُ
رُؤُوسًا جُهَالًا فَسُئِلُوا فَأَفْتَوْا بِغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ فَضَلُوا وَأَضَلُوا»

‘Abdallah b. ‘Amr reported God’s messenger as saying, “God does not take away knowledge by removing it from people, but takes it away by taking away the learned, so that when He leaves no learned man, the people will take ignorant the ignorant as leaders. They will be asked and pass judgement without knowledge, erring and leading others into error.”

Hadith 10

وَعَنْ شَقِيقٍ: گَانَ عَبْدُ اللَّهِ يُذَكِّرُ النَّاسَ فِي كُلِّ خَمِيسٍ فَقَالَ لَهُ رَجُلٌ يَا أَبَا عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ لَوَدَدْتُ أَنْكَ ذَكَرْتَنَا كُلَّ يَوْمٍ قَالَ أَمَا إِنَّهُ يَمْنَعُنِي مِنْ ذَلِكَ أَنِّي أَكْرَهُ أَنْ أُمِلَّكُمْ وَإِنِّي أَتَخَوَّلُكُمْ بِالْمَوْعِظَةِ كَمَا گَانَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَتَخَوَّلُنَا بِهَا مَخَافَةَ السَّامَةِ عَلَيْنَا

Shaqiq said that 'Abdallah b. Mas'ud used to exhort the people every Thursday.

A man said, “I wish, Abu 'Abd ar-Rahman, that you would give us a daily exhortation.” He replied, “My dislike of wearying you prevents me from that, so I am considerate in my exhortations to you as God's messenger was to us for fear of causing us aversion.”

Hadith 11

وَعَنْ أَنَّسٍ قَالَ: كَانَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ إِذَا تَكَلَّمَ بِكَلِمَةٍ أَعَادَهَا ثَلَاثًا حَتَّى تُفْهَمَ عَنْهُ
وَإِذَا أَتَى عَلَى قَوْمٍ فَسَلَّمَ عَلَيْهِمْ سَلَّمَ عَلَيْهِمْ ثَلَاثًا". رَوَاهُ الْبُخَارِيُّ

Anas said that when the Prophet ﷺ made a statement, he repeated it three times so that it would be understood, and that when he met people and greeted them, he did it three times.

Hadith 12

عَنْ أَبِي مَسْعُودَ الْأَنْصَارِيِّ قَالَ جَاءَ رَجُلٌ إِلَيَّ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ فَقَالَ إِنِّي أُبْدِعُ بِي
فَأَحْمِلُنِي فَقَالَ مَا عِنْدِي فَقَالَ رَجُلٌ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ أَنَا أَدُلُّهُ عَلَىٰ مَنْ يَحْمِلُهُ فَقَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ
عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: مَنْ دَلَّ عَلَىٰ خَيْرٍ فَلَهُ مِثْلُ أَجْرِ فَاعِلِهِ . رَوَاهُ مُسْلِمٌ

Abu Mas'ud al-Ansari said a man came to the Prophet and said, “My camel has become jaded, so give me a mount.” He said, “I don’t have anything.” So, a man said, “Messenger of God, I can guide him to one who will give him a mount.” God’s messenger then said, “He who guides to what is good will have a reward equivalent to that of him who does it.”

Hadith 13

عَنْ كَثِيرِ بْنِ قَيْسٍ قَالَ كُنْتُ جَالِسًا مَعَ أَبِي الدَّرْدَاءِ فِي مَسْجِدِ دَمْشِقَ فَجَاءَهُ رَجُلٌ فَقَالَ يَا أَبَا الدَّرْدَاءِ إِنِّي جِئْتُكَ مِنْ مَدِينَةِ الرَّسُولِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ مَا جِئْتُ لِحَاجَةٍ قَالَ فَإِنِّي سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَقُولُ مَنْ سَلَكَ طَرِيقًا يَطْلُبُ فِيهِ عِلْمًا سَلَكَ اللَّهُ بِهِ طَرِيقًا مِنْ طُرُقِ الْجَنَّةِ وَإِنَّ الْمَلَائِكَةَ لَتَضَعُ أَجْنِحَتَهَا رِضًا لِطَالِبِ الْعِلْمِ وَإِنَّ الْعَالَمَ يُسْتَغْفَرُ لَهُ مَنْ فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ وَمَنْ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَالْحَيَّاتِ فِي جَوْفِ الْمَاءِ وَإِنَّ فَضْلَ الْعَالَمِ عَلَى الْعَابِدِ كَفَضْلِ الْقَمَرِ لَيْلَةَ الْبَدْرِ عَلَى سَائِرِ الْكَوَاكِبِ وَإِنَّ الْعُلَمَاءَ وَرَثَةُ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ وَإِنَّ الْأَنْبِيَاءَ لَمْ يُوَرِّثُوا دِينَارًا وَلَا دِرْهَمًا وَإِنَّمَا وَرَثُوا الْعِلْمَ فَمَنْ أَخْذَهُ أَخَذَ بِحَظٍّ وَأَفِرٍ

Hadith 13

Kathir b. Qais told how, when he was sitting with Abu Darda' in the mosque of Damascus, a man came to him and said, "Abu Darda' I have come to you from the town of the Messenger for a tradition I have heard that you relate from God's messenger. I have come for no other purpose." He replied that he had heard God's messenger say, "If anyone travels on a road in search of knowledge God will cause him to travel on one of the roads of paradise, the angels will lower their wings from good pleasure with one who seeks knowledge, and the inhabitants of the heavens and the earth and the fish in the depth of the water will ask forgiveness for him. The superiority of the learned man over the devout man is like that of the moon on the night when it is full over the rest of the stars. The learned are the heirs of the prophets who leave neither dinar nor dirham, leaving only knowledge, and he who accepts it accepts an abundant portion."

Hadith 14

وَعَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدٍ الْخُدْرِيِّ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: إِنَّ النَّاسَ لَكُمْ تَبَعُّ وَإِنَّ
رِجَالًا يَأْتُونَكُمْ مِنْ أَقْطَارِ الْأَرْضِ يَتَفَقَّهُونَ فِي الدِّينِ فَإِذَا أَتَوْكُمْ فَاسْتَوْصُوا بِهِمْ خِيرًا

Abu Sa'id al-Khudri reported God's messenger as saying, "People will follow you, and men will come to you from all regions of the earth seeking understanding about the religion; so when they come to you, give them good counsel."

Hadith 15

وَعَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: الْكَلِمَةُ الْحِكْمَةُ ضَالَّةٌ
الْحَكِيمٌ فَحِينُّ ثُ وَجَدَهَا فَهُوَ أَحَقُّ بِهَا

Abu Huraira reported God's messenger as saying, “A word which contains wisdom is the lost commodity of the wise man, so wherever he finds it he is most entitled to it.”

Hadith 16

وَعَنِ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: فَقِيهٌ وَاحِدٌ أَشَدُّ عَلَى الشَّيْطَانِ مِنْ
أَلْفٍ عَابِدٍ

Ibn ‘Abbas reported God’s messenger as saying, “One faqih has more power over the devil than a thousand devout men.”

Hadith 17

وَعَنْ أَنَسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: طَلَبُ الْعِلْمِ فَرِيَضَةٌ عَلَى كُلِّ مُسْلِمٍ
وَوَاضِعُ الْعِلْمِ عِنْدَ غَيْرِ أَهْلِهِ كَمْقْدَدُ الْخَنَازِيرِ الْجُوْهَرُ وَاللُّؤْلُؤُ وَالْذَّهَبُ

Anas reported God's messenger as saying, “The search for knowledge is an obligation laid on every Muslim, but he who commits it to those who are unworthy of it is like one who puts necklaces of jewels, pearls and gold on swine.”

Hadith 18

وَعَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: خَصْلَتَانِ لَا تَجْتَمِعَانِ فِي مُنَافِقٍ: حُسْنٌ
سَمْتٌ وَلَا فِقْهٌ فِي الدِّينِ

Abu Huraira reported God's messenger as saying, “Two qualities are not found together in a hypocrite: good behavior and knowledge of religion.”

Hadith 19

وَعَنْ أَنَّىٰسٍ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: مَنْ خَرَجَ فِي طَلَبِ الْعِلْمِ فَهُوَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ
حَتَّىٰ يَرْجِعَ

Anas reported God's messenger as saying, “He who goes out in search of knowledge is in God's path till he returns.”

Hadith 20

وَعَنْ سَخْبَرَةِ الْأَزْدِيِّ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «مَنْ طَلَبَ الْعِلْمَ كَانَ كَفَّارَةً لِمَا
مَضَى». رَوَاهُ التَّرْمِذِيُّ وَالْدَّارِمِيُّ وَقَالَ التَّرْمِذِيُّ: هَذَا حَدِيثٌ ضَعِيفٌ الْإِسْنَادِ وَأَبُو دَاؤُدَ الرَّاوِي
يُضَعَّفُ

Sakhbara al-Azdi reported God's messenger as saying, “If anyone seeks knowledge, it will be an atonement for past sins.”

Hadith 21

وَعَنْ أَبِي سَعِيدِ الْخُدْرِيِّ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «لَنْ يَشْبَعَ الْمُؤْمِنُ مِنْ خَيْرٍ يَسْمَعُهُ حَتَّىٰ يَكُونَ مُنْتَهَاهُ الْجَنَّةِ». رَوَاهُ التَّرْمِذِيُّ

Abu Sa'id al-Khudri reported God's messenger as saying, "A believer will never be satisfied with the good he hears till he reaches paradise."

Hadith 22

وَعَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «مَنْ سُئِلَ عَنْ عِلْمٍ
عَلِمَهُ ثُمَّ كَتَمَهُ أُلْجِمَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ بِلِجَامٍ مِنْ نَارٍ». رَوَاهُ أَحْمَدُ وَأَبُو دَاؤُدُ وَالْتَّرْمِذِيُّ

Abu Huraira reported God's messenger as saying, “He who is asked about something he knows and conceals it will have a bridle of fire put on him on the day of resurrection.”

Hadith 23

وَعَنْ كَعْبِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «مَنْ طَلَبَ الْعِلْمَ لِيُجَارِيَ بِهِ
الْعُلَمَاءَ أَوْ لِيُمَارِيَ بِهِ السُّفَهَاءَ أَوْ يَصْرِفَ بِهِ وُجُوهَ النَّاسِ إِلَيْهِ أَدْخَلَهُ اللَّهُ النَّارَ». رَوَاهُ التَّرْمِذِيُّ

Ka'b b. Malik reported God's messenger as saying, “If anyone seeks knowledge to be able to keep up with the scholars, or dispute with the foolish, or to attract the people's attention to himself, God will bring him into hell.”

Hadith 24

وَعَنِ ابْنِ مَسْعُودٍ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «نَضَرَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ عَبْدًا سَمِعَ مَقَالَتِي فَحَفِظَهَا وَوَعَاهَا وَأَدَاهَا فَرُبَّ حَامِلٍ فِقْهٍ غَيْرِ فَقِيهٍ وَرُبَّ حَامِلٍ فِقْهٍ إِلَى مَنْ هُوَ أَفْقَهُ مِنْهُ. ثَلَاثٌ لَا يَغْلُبُ عَلَيْهِنَّ قَلْبٌ مُسْلِمٌ إِخْلَاصُ الْعَمَلِ لِلَّهِ وَالنَّصِيحَةُ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَلُزُومُ جَمَاعَتِهِمْ فَإِنَّ دَعْوَتَهُمْ تُحِيطُ مِنْ وِرَائِهِمْ»

Ibn Mas'ud reported God's messenger as saying, “May Allah brighten the face of a person who hears my statement, learns it by heart, understands it, and conveys it to others. Perhaps a carrier of knowledge is not a scholar, and perhaps a carrier of knowledge conveys it to someone who understands it better than he does. There are three things on account of which no rancor enters a Muslim's heart: sincere action for God's sake, good counsel to Muslims, and holding fast to their community, for their invitation includes those who are beyond them.”

Hadith 25

وَعَنْ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «اتَّقُوا الْحَدِيثَ عَنِّي
إِلَّا مَا عَلِمْتُمْ فَمَنْ كَذَبَ عَلَيَّ مُتَعَمِّدًا فَلْيَتَبَوَّأْ مَقْعَدَهُ مِنَ النَّارِ»

Ibn ‘Abbas reported God’s messenger as saying, “Be on your guard about tradition from me, except what you know; for he who lies about me deliberately will certainly come to his abode in hell.

Hadith 26

وَعَنِ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «مَنْ قَالَ فِي الْقُرْآنِ بِرَأْيِهِ فَلْيَتَبَوَّأْ
مَقْعَدَهُ مِنَ النَّارِ»

Ibn ‘Abbas reported God’s messenger as saying, “Let him who interprets the Qur’an in the light of his opinion come to his abode in hell.”

Hadith 27

وَعَنْ جُنْدُبٍ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «مَنْ قَالَ فِي الْقُرْآنِ بِرَأْيِهِ فَأَصَابَ فَقَدْ أَخْطَأَ»

Jundub reported God's messenger as saying, “ If anyone interprets the Qur'an in the light of his own opinion and is right, he has erred.”

Hadith 28

وَعَنْ عَمْرِو بْنِ شُعَيْبٍ عَنْ أَبِيهِ عَنْ جَدِّهِ قَالَ: سَمِعَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَوْمًا يَتَدَارَوْنَ فِي الْقُرْآنِ فَقَالَ: إِنَّمَا هَلَكَ مَنْ كَانَ قَبْلَكُمْ بِهَذَا: ضَرَبُوا كِتَابَ اللَّهِ بَعْضَهُ بَعْضٍ وَإِنَّمَا نَزَّلَ كِتَابَ اللَّهِ يُصَدِّقُ بَعْضُهُ بَعْضًا فَلَا تُكَذِّبُوا بَعْضَهُ بَعْضٍ فَمَا عَلِمْتُمْ مِنْهُ فَقُولُوا وَمَا جَهِلْتُمْ فَكِلُوهُ إِلَى عَالِمِهِ

‘Amr b. Shu'aib quoted the authority of his father from his grandfather who said that the Prophet heard some people disagreeing about the Qur'an and said, “It was just on this account that your predecessors perished: they set parts of God's Book against others, whereas God's Book was sent down only to be consistent; so do not use parts to falsify others. Speak about as much of it as you know, but where you are ignorant entrust it to him who knows.”

Hadith 29

وَعَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: الْعِلْمُ ثَلَاثَةٌ: آيَةٌ مُحْكَمَةٌ أَوْ سُنَّةٌ قَائِمَةٌ أَوْ فَرِيضَةٌ عَادِلَةٌ وَمَا كَانَ سِوَى ذَلِكَ فَهُوَ فَضْلٌ

‘Abdallah b. ‘Amr reported God's messenger as saying, “Knowledge has three categories: a precise verse, or an established sunna, or a firm obligatory duty. Anything else is an extra.”

Hadith 30

وَعَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «مَنْ أَفْتَى بِغَيْرِ عِلْمٍ كَانَ إِثْمُهُ عَلَى مَنْ أَفْتَاهُ وَمَنْ أَشَارَ عَلَى أَخِيهِ بِأَمْرٍ يَعْلَمُ أَنَّ الرُّشْدَ فِي غَيْرِهِ فَقَدْ خَانَهُ»

Abu Huraira reported God's messenger as saying, “If anyone is given a legal decision ignorantly, the sin rests on the one who gave it; and if anyone advises his brother, knowing that right guidance lies in another direction, he has deceived him.”

Hadith 31

وَعَنْ مُعَاوِيَةَ قَالَ: إِنَّ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ نَهَىٰ عَنِ الْأُغْلُوَطَاتِ.

Mu'awiya said that the Prophet forbade ughlūtāt.

Hadith 32

وَعَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «تَعَلَّمُوا الْفَرَائِضَ
وَالْقُرْآنَ وَعَلَّمُوا النَّاسَ فَإِنِّي مَقْبُوضٌ»

Abu Huraira reported God's messenger as saying, "Learn the things which are made obligatory and the Qur'an, and teach them to people, for I shall die."

Hadith 33

وَعَنْ أَبِي الدَّرْدَاءِ قَالَ: كُنَّا مَعَ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ فَشَخَصَ بِبَصَرِهِ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ ثُمَّ
قَالَ: «هَذَا أَوَانٌ يُخْتَلِسُ فِيهِ الْعِلْمُ مِنَ النَّاسِ حَتَّىٰ لَا يَقْدِرُوا مِنْهُ عَلَىٰ شَيْءٍ»

Abu Darda' told how God's messenger, on an occasion when they were with him, turned his eyes to the sky and said, "This is a time when knowledge will be snatched away from men, so that they will be unable to acquire any."

Hadith 34

وَعَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رِوَايَةً: «يُوْشِكُ أَنْ يَضْرِبَ النَّاسُ أَكْبَادَ الْإِبْلِ يَظْلَبُونَ الْعِلْمَ فَلَا يَجِدُونَ أَحَدًا أَعْلَمَ مِنْ عَالَمَ الْمَدِينَةِ»

Abu Huraira transmitted [from the Prophet], "The time is approaching when men will urge on their camels in search of knowledge, but will find no one more learned than the learned man of Medina."

Hadith 35

وَعَنْهُ فِيمَا أَعْلَمُ عَنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ يَبْعَثُ لِهَذِهِ الْأُمَّةِ عَلَىٰ رَأْسِ كُلِّ مِائَةٍ سَنَةٍ مَنْ يُجَدِّدُ لَهَا دِينَهَا»

He also reported among the material he knew to come from God's messenger that he said, "At the beginning of every century God will send one who will renew its religion for this people."

Hadith 36

وَعَنْ إِبْرَاهِيمَ بْنِ عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ الْعُذْرِيِّ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «يَحْمِلُّ هَذَا
الْعِلْمَ مِنْ كُلِّ خَلْفٍ عُدُولٌ يَنْفُونَ عَنْهُ تَحْرِيفَ الْغَالِبِينَ وَأَنْتِحَالَ الْمُبْطِلِينَ وَتَأْوِيلَ الْجَاهِلِينَ»

Ibrahim b. ‘Abd ar-Rahman al-‘Udhri reported God's messenger as saying, "In every successive century those who are reliable authorities will preserve this knowledge, rejecting the changes made by extremists, the plagiarisms of those who make false claims for themselves, and the interpretations of the ignorant."

Hadith 37

عَنْ الْحَسَنِ مُرْسَلًا قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «مَنْ جَاءَهُ الْمَوْتُ وَهُوَ يَطْلُبُ الْعِلْمَ
لِيُحْيِي بِهِ الْإِسْلَامَ فَبَيْنَهُ وَبَيْنَ النَّبِيِّينَ دَرَجَةٌ وَاحِدَةٌ فِي الْجَنَّةِ»

Al-Hasan reported in mursal form that God's messenger said, “If death comes to anyone when he is seeking knowledge with the purpose of using it to revivify Islam, there will be only one degree between him and the prophets in paradise.”

Hadith 38

وَعَنْهُ مُرْسَلًا قَالَ: سُئِلَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ عَنْ رَجُلَيْنِ كَانَا فِي بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ أَحَدُهُمَا كَانَ عَالِمًا يُصَلِّي الْمَكْتُوبَةَ ثُمَّ يَجْلِسُ فَيَعْلَمُ النَّاسَ الْخَيْرَ وَالْأَخْرُ يَصُومُ النَّهَارَ وَيَقُومُ اللَّيْلَ أَعْيُهُمَا أَفْضَلُ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «فَضْلُ هَذَا الْعَالَمِ الَّذِي يُصَلِّي الْمَكْتُوبَةَ ثُمَّ يَجْلِسُ فَيَعْلَمُ النَّاسَ الْخَيْرَ عَلَى الْعَابِدِ الَّذِي يَصُومُ النَّهَارَ وَيَقُومُ اللَّيْلَ كَفَضْلِي عَلَى أَدْنَاءِكُمْ»

He also reported that God's messenger was asked which of two men among Bani Israel was superior: one who was a learned man who observed the prescribed prayers, then sat and taught men what is good, and the other who fasted by day and prayed during the night. He replied, "The superiority of this learned man who observed the prescribed prayers, then sat and taught men what is good over the devout man who fasted by day and prayed during the night is like my superiority over the most contemptible among you."

Hadith 39

وَعَنْ عَكْرِمَةَ أَنَّ ابْنَ عَبَّاسٍ قَالَ: حَدَّثَ النَّاسَ كُلَّ جُمْعَةٍ مَرَّةً فَإِنْ أَكْثَرْتَ فَثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ وَلَا
تُمِلِّ النَّاسَ هَذَا الْقُرْآنَ وَلَا أُلْفِيَنَّكَ تَأْتِي الْقَوْمَ وَهُمْ فِي حَدِيثٍ مِنْ حَدِيثِهِمْ فَتَقْصُّ عَلَيْهِمْ
حَدِيثِهِمْ فَتُمِلِّهِمْ وَلَكِنْ أَنْصِتْ فَإِذَا أَمْرُوكَ فَحَدِّثْهُمْ وَهُمْ يَشْتَهُونَهُ وَانْظُرِ السَّجْعَ مِنَ الدُّعَاءِ فَاجْتَنِبْهُ فَإِنِّي
عَهْدْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ وَأَصْحَابَهُ لَا يَفْعَلُونَ ذَلِكَ

Ikrima reported Ibn ‘Abbas as saying, “Talk to the people once every Friday, but if you object, then twice, and if you want more, then three times, but do not weary the people with this Qur’an. And do not let me find you coming to the people when they are talking about their concerns, interrupting them in their talk by addressing them, and so wearying them. Keep silent, and when they request you, talk to them at a time when they want it. Look out for rhymed prose in supplications and avoid it, for I know that God’s messenger and his companions did not use it.”

Hadith 40

وَعَنْ وَاثِلَةَ بْنِ الْأَسْقَعِ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «مَنْ طَلَبَ الْعِلْمَ فَأَذْرَكَهُ كَانَ لَهُ
كِفْلَانِ مِنَ الْأَجْرِ فَإِنْ لَمْ يُذْرِكْهُ كَانَ لَهُ كَفْلَ مِنَ الْأَجْرِ»

Wathila b. al-Asqa‘ reported God’s messenger as saying, “He who seeks knowledge and attains it will have a double portion of reward, but if he does not attain it he will have a single portion of reward.”

Hadith 41

وَعَنْ عَائِشَةَ أَنَّهَا قَالَتْ: سَمِعْتُ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَقُولُ: «إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ أَوْحَى إِلَيَّ أَنَّهُ مَنْ سَلَكَ مَسْلَكًا فِي طَلْبِ الْعِلْمِ سَهَلْتُ لَهُ طَرِيقَ الْجَنَّةِ وَمَنْ سَلَبْتُ كَرِيمَتِيهِ أَثْبَتُهُ عَلَيْهِمَا الْجَنَّةَ. وَفَضْلُ فِي عِلْمٍ خَيْرٌ مِنْ فَضْلٍ فِي عِبَادَةٍ وَمِلَائِكُ الدِّينِ الْوَرَعُ»

Aisha said she heard God's messenger say that God revealed to him, “ If anyone follows a path in search of knowledge, I shall make easy for him the road to paradise; and if I deprive anyone of his eyes, I shall guarantee paradise to him in return for them. Superiority in knowledge is better than superiority in worship, and the basis of the religion is abstinence.”

Hadith 42

وَعَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ عَمْرٍو أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ مَرَّ بِمَجْلِسَيْنِ فِي مَسْجِدِهِ فَقَالَ: «كَلَّا هُمَا عَلَى خَيْرٍ وَأَحَدُهُمَا أَفْضَلُ مِنْ صَاحِبِهِ أَمَّا هَؤُلَاءِ فَيَدْعُونَ اللَّهَ وَيَرْغَبُونَ إِلَيْهِ فَإِنْ شَاءَ أَعْطَاهُمْ وَإِنْ شَاءَ مَنَعَهُمْ. وَأَمَّا هَؤُلَاءِ فَيَتَعَلَّمُونَ الْفِقْهَ أَوِ الْعِلْمَ وَيُعَلِّمُونَ الْجَاهِلَ فَهُمْ أَفْضَلُ وَإِنَّمَا بُعِثْتُ مُعَلِّمًا» ثُمَّ جَلَسَ فِيهِمْ

Abdallah b. ‘Amr told of God’s messenger coming upon two groups in his mosque and saying, “They are both engaged in what is good, but one of them is superior to the other. These ones are praying and supplicating God who, if He wills, may answer their prayers but, if He wills, may refuse them. Those ones are learning knowledge and teaching the ignorant, so they are superior. I was sent only as a teacher.” He then sat down among them.

Hadith 43

وَعَنْ أَنَّسِ بْنِ مَالِكٍ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «هَلْ تَدْرُونَ مَنْ أَجْوَدُ جُودًا؟»
قَالُوا: اللَّهُ وَرَسُولُهُ أَعْلَمُ. قَالَ: «اللَّهُ تَعَالَى أَجْوَدُ جُودًا ثُمَّ أَنَا أَجْوَدُ بَنِي آدَمَ وَأَجْوَدُهُمْ مِنْ بَعْدِي
رَجُلٌ عَلِيمٌ عِلْمًا فَنَشَرَهُ يَأْتِي يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ أَمِيرًا وَحْدَهُ أَوْ قَالَ أُمَّةً وَحْدَهُ»

Anas b. Malik said that God's messenger asked, "Do you know who is most generous?"

On receiving the reply that God and His messenger knew best, he said, "God is the most generous, then I am the most generous of mankind, and the most generous of them after me will be a man who acquires knowledge and spreads it. On the day of resurrection he will come as a prince alone." Or he said, "As one people."

Hadith 44

عَنْ عَوْنَىٰ قَالَ: قَالَ عَبْدُ اللَّهِ بْنُ مَسْعُودٍ: مَنْهُو مَانِ لَا يَشْبَعُانِ صَاحِبُ الْعِلْمِ وَصَاحِبُ الدُّنْيَا وَلَا يَسْتَوِيَانِ أَمَّا صَاحِبُ الْعِلْمِ فَيَزِدَادُ رِضَى لِلرَّحْمَنِ وَأَمَّا صَاحِبُ الدُّنْيَا فَيَتَمَادِي فِي الطُّغْيَانِ. ثُمَّ قَرَأَ عَبْدُ اللَّهِ (كَلَّا إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لَيَطْغَى أَنْ رَأَهُ اسْتَغْفَى) قَالَ وَقَالَ الْآخَرُ (إِنَّمَا يَخْشَى اللَّهَ مِنْ عِبَادِهِ الْعُلَمَاءِ).

Aun reported Ibn Mas'ud as saying, "Two greedy ones never attain satisfaction, the learned man and the worldly man, but they are not equal. The learned man becomes more pleasing to the Compassionate One, but the worldly man perseveres in transgression." Then 'Abdallah recited, "Nay, but man transgresses in considering that he is self-sufficient." He added, "As for the other, 'only those of His servants who are learned fear God.'"

Hadith 45

وَعَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ مَسْعُودٍ قَالَ: لَوْ أَنَّ أَهْلَ الْعِلْمِ صَانُوا الْعِلْمَ وَوَضَعُوهُ عِنْدَ أَهْلِهِ لَسَادُوا بِهِ أَهْلَ زَمَانِهِمْ
وَلَكِنَّهُمْ بَذَلُوهُ لِأَهْلِ الدُّنْيَا لِيَنَالُوا بِهِ مِنْ دُنْيَاهُمْ فَهَانُوا عَلَيْهِمْ سَمِعْتُ نَبِيَّكُمْ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَقُولُ: «مَنْ
جَعَلَ الْهُمُومَ هَمًّا وَاحِدًا هُمْ آخِرَتِهِ كَفَاهُ اللَّهُ هَمُّ دُنْيَاهُ وَمَنْ تَشَعَّبَتْ بِهِ الْهُمُومُ فِي أَحْوَالِ الدُّنْيَا لَمْ يُبَالِ اللَّهُ فِي
أَيِّ أَوْدِيَتَهَا هَلَكَ»

Abdallah b. Mas'ud said: If the learned were to guard learning and entrust it to those who are worthy of it, they would thereby, rule their contemporaries. But they have bestowed it on worldly people to get thereby some of their worldly goods, and have been despised by them. I heard your Prophet say, "If anyone makes the care of his eternal welfare the sum total of his cares God will protect him from worldly care, but if he has a variety of cares consisting of matters related to this world God will not be concerned in which of its valleys he perishes."

Hadith 46

وَعَنِ الْأَعْمَشِ قَالَ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: «آفَةُ الْعِلْمِ النَّسِيَانُ وَإِضَاعَتُهُ أَنْ
تُحَدَّثَ بِهِ غَيْرُ أَهْلِهِ»

Al-A‘mash reported God’s messenger as saying, "The calamity which affects knowledge is forgetfulness, and wasting it is to convey it to those who are unworthy of it."

Hadith 47

وَعَنْ سُفِيَّانَ أَنَّ عُمَرَ بْنَ الْخَطَّابِ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ لِكَعْبٍ: مَنْ أَرْبَابُ الْعِلْمِ؟ قَالَ: الَّذِي يَعْمَلُونَ بِمَا يَعْلَمُونَ. قَالَ: فَمَا أَخْرَجَ الْعِلْمَ مِنْ قُلُوبِ الْعُلَمَاءِ؟ قَالَ الطَّمَعُ.

Sufyan said that 'Umar b. al-Khattab asked Ka'b who were the lords of knowledge, and he replied that they are those who act according to what they know. He then asked what it is that takes knowledge from the hearts of the learned and was told that it is covetousness.

Hadith 48

وَعَنْ زِيَادِ بْنِ حَدِيرٍ قَالَ: قَالَ لِي عُمَرُ: هَلْ تَعْرِفُ مَا يَهْدِمُ الْإِسْلَامَ؟ قَالَ: قُلْتُ: لَا. قَالَ: يَهْدِمُهُ
رَلَةُ الْعَالَمِ وَجِدَالُ الْمُنَافِقِ بِالْكِتَابِ وَحُكْمُ الْأَئِمَّةِ الْمُضَلِّينَ

Ziyad b. Hudair said that 'Umar asked him whether he knew what demolishes Islam, and that when he replied that he did not, he said, "The slip of a learned man, the disputation of a hypocrite about the Book, and the rule of imams who lead men astray."

Hadith 49

وَعَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ قَالَ: «حَفِظْتُ مِنْ رَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ وِعَاءَيْنِ فَأَمَّا
أَحَدُهُمَا فَبَثَثْتُهُ فِي كُمْ وَأَمَّا الْآخَرُ فَلَوْ بَثَثْتُهُ قُطِعَ هَذَا الْبُلْعُومُ يَعْنِي مُجْرِي الْطَّعَامِ»

Abu Huraira said, "I have kept in my memory two large quantities of learning from God's messenger, one of which I have disclosed among you; but were I to disclose the other, this bul'ūm, meaning the food tract, would be cut."

Hadith 50

وَعَنِ ابْنِ سِيرِينَ قَالَ: إِنَّ هَذَا الْعِلْمَ دِينٌ فَانْظُرُوا عَمَّنْ تَأْخُذُونَ دِينَكُمْ.

Ibn Sirin said, “This knowledge is a religion, so consider from whom you receive your religion.”