

## **TRUE SCHOLARS AND IGNORAMUSES**

Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuh, Auzu Billahi Minashaytanir Rajeem. Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem, Wassalatu Wassalamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidul Awwalin wal Akhirin, Madad Ya Rasulallah, Madad Ya As'habi RasuLillah, Madad Ya Mashayikhina, Sheykh Abdullah Daghestani, Sheykh Nazim al-Haqqani. Dastur. Tariqatunas sohba, wal khayru fil jamiyya.

Knowledge is something Allah (JJ) and our Holy Prophet (SAW) like. Knowledge needs to be for Allah. "The scholars [of my Nation] are like the prophets of Bani Israil," says he. Scholars are the inheritors of prophets. There are two kinds of scholars: one are those on the true path, and the other are those who use their knowledge for this world, for their own desires.

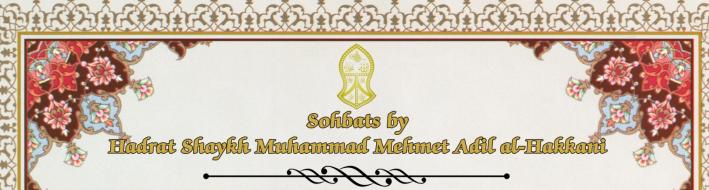
True scholars work and strive for the sake of Allah, to deliver Allah's word and Allah's commands to people. It has come like this from the time of our Holy Prophet (SAW) till now. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) has said, "The best century is the one I am living in, then it is the one following mine." Our Holy Prophet's (SAW) beautiful words are a great advice for people here, people living in these times. It shows how people should live.

Now, they do not like scholars lately. Whereas the companions (sahaba) lived during the time of our Holy Prophet (SAW) and each one of the companions was a scholar. There are those who took knowledge from them in the following century. It was the same way in the century that followed. The sciences Islam and our Holy Prophet (SAW) brought reached us by means of those holy ones. Now they come out – it has become a fashion... What we mean by fashion is imitating things like a monkey when something happens.

A new fashion has come out. Scholars who are a little educated, when in fact those called scholars are ignorant: "Ulama-e Soo," says our Holy Prophet (SAW). Since they are thinking – they light up their cigarette a little, sitting and thinking. Or they do something else and think saying, "This fits my mind," and go speaking. When they appear on TV, it is as if it was revealed from the Koran. And others who are educated say, "Look, this one is educated. He is a professor and this and that. What he is saying is probably good," and follow him and start talking like him. This drags people to misguidance.

Alim-e Soo: they are the ones bound to hell. Our religion, thank Allah, is as it was conveyed and told by our Holy Prophet (SAW). The first scholars, the imams of mazhabs (schools of jurisprudence) and the imams of itiqad (schools of creed) lived at that time.

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Accredit/regard them. There is no need whatsoever to regard those left over. Those following them are worthy of regard. The others are disreputable. Our Holy Prophet (SAW) says, "Allah's, the Prophet's, and the believer's curses are on them." They are cursed people. It is not good to approach cursed people. That curse would come to you too.

We need to pay attention to this. There is no need to believe everything you hear. In fact, Shaykh Mawlana (QS) would say, "People get on television. Do not listen to them when they get on television. Never puzzle your brains with them." They are obvious people anyway. Thank Allah, Muslims have awakened too. It is obvious who is who and who is doing what. Do not regard them when you hear their names. Allah has gotten rid of their reputation so do not regard them either.

May Allah grant us to be with true scholars Inshallah. May He grant us to appreciate them and to be enlightened by them Inshallah. When their names are even mentioned, Allah (JJ) descends His mercy and forgiveness upon us. It says,

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"Inda zikr us-saliheen, tanzil ur-rahma." May the baraka (blessing) of the pious be upon us when they are mentioned Inshallah.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq. Al-Fatiha.

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