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**THE KNOWERS AND THE IGNORANT**

*As-Salāmu ‘alaykum wa rahmatu Llāhi.*

*A‘ūdhu biLlāhi mina sh-shayṭāni r-rajīm.*

*Waṣ-ṣalātu wa s-Salāmu ‘alā Rasūlinā Muḥammadin Sayyidi l-awwalīn wa l-āakhirīn.*

*Madad yā Rasūla Llāh, madad yā Sādāti Aṣḥābi Rasūli Llāh, madad yā Mashāyikhinā,  
dastūr yā Shaykh ‘Abdu Llāh al-Fā’iz ad-Dāghistānī, Shaykh Muḥammad Nāẓim al-*

*Ḥaqqānī. Madad.*

*Ṭarīqatunā ṣ-ṣuḥbah wa l-khayru fi l-jam‘iyyah.*

وَحَمَلَهَا الْإِنْسَانُ إِنَّهُ كَانَ ظَلُومًا جَهُولًا

Allah ‘azza wa jalla says, “*Wa ḥamalāhā l-insānu innahu kāna ṣalūman jahūlan,*” (Qur’ān 33:72). “A man is a tyrant and ignorant,” He says. Why does He say this? Because the greatest tyranny is from those who do not believe in Allah; they are the tyrants. The ignorant are those who do not acknowledge the greatness of Allah.

Today, they assume they know it all. They say there is technology, or say this or that, what it is, how it is done. They say they know it all. They say they are doing research. They say it in such a way, as if that we will soon know it all. In fact, what they describe as knowledge is very small compared to Allah’s knowledge.

وَمَا أُوتِيتُمْ مِّنَ الْعِلْمِ إِلَّا قَلِيلًا

“*Wa mā ūtītum mina l-‘ilmi illā qalīlan,*” (Qur’ān 17:85). Allah says, “I did not give you (pl.) of knowledge except a little.” The power and the knowledge of Allah cannot be measured or fit into any border. The real knowers know that their knowledge is nil. However, those who are not knowers, who read a few things but remain ignorant, they think they are something, [and] then their ignorance increases. The one who does not recognize Allah, the one who does not believe in Allah’s power, is an ignorant man. He is as if he has learned nothing. Others know only as much as Allah wishes them to know. [And] that too is only to the degree we can carry. The knowledge we can carry is not even as the size of a drop.



Even were it not only as big as the world but as the universe, what would then be known is [still] not as big as a drop. Therefore knowers (or “scholars”) are witnessing Allah’s greatness and Allah’s power. The real knowers acknowledge their weakness. Only

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a small bit of knowledge is given. They are the knowers, while others are the ignorant who are increasing in their ignorance. May Allah protect us! May Allah have us submit to His greatness, insha’Allah! May His blessings be upon us, insha’Allah.

*Wa min Allāhi t-tawfiq,*

*al-Fātiḥah*

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