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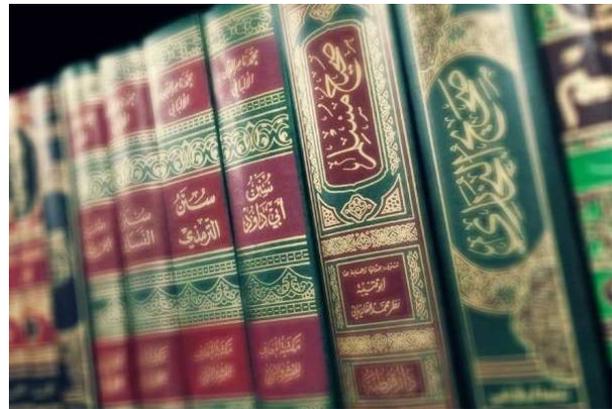
THE VIRTUES OF SEEKING KNOWLEDGE

As we gear up for another semester, it's important for us to reflect on why we do what we do.

We choose secular knowledge because we wish to follow a particular career, explore different talents or skills, expand our expertise, or simply indulge in something we are passionate about. But the pursuit of Islamic knowledge should be centered on loftier goals and intentions.

We tread on the path of knowledge because it is our duty. The Prophet (saw) said, *"Seeking knowledge is an obligation upon every Muslim."* (Ibn Majah)

Furthermore, knowledge enables us to be better Muslims, and fulfill our purpose which is to worship Allah. To bake a cake, you don't just need the ingredients, you need a recipe and the know-how so that it's edible at the very least and you don't end up with food poisoning, and of course delicious and attractive at its best. Knowledge is that recipe. Without it, you risk failing in living your faith. Willful ignorance may certainly jeopardize your success as a Muslim.

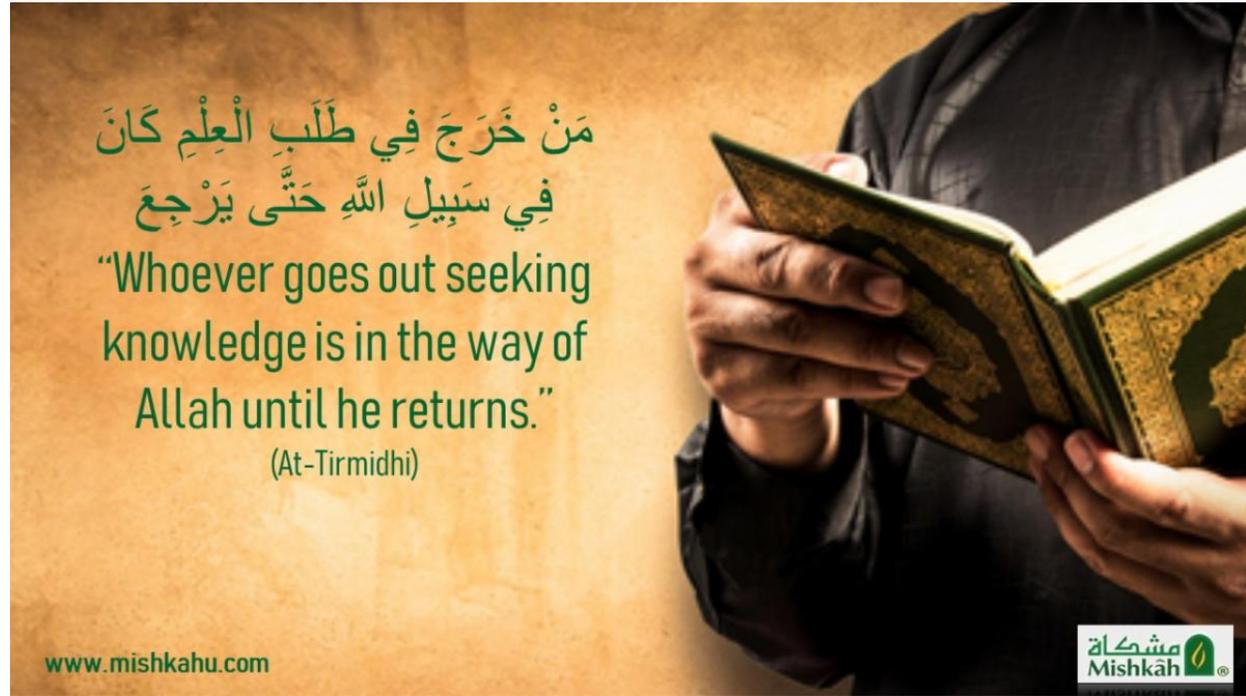


Knowledge is the key that helps to open the door to our eternal home. The Prophet (saw) said, *"Whoever travels a path in search of knowledge, Allah will make easy for him a path to Paradise. People do not gather in the houses of Allah, reciting the book of Allah and studying it together, but that tranquility will descend upon them, mercy will cover them, angels will surround them, and Allah will mention them to those near him."* (Muslim). When we choose to learn this deen with dedication and sincerity, we are with Allah's permission also paving the path of the greatest reward, which is a place in Jannah, while at the same time inviting His mercy and peace in our lives here on earth. The Prophet (saw) said, *"If Allah intends goodness for someone, he gives him understanding of the religion."* (Bukhari). Thus, knowledge is a source of goodness for us here and beyond.

Additionally, our knowledge here on earth keeps working for us towards reaching our ultimate goal even after we leave for the Prophet (saw) told us, *"When the human being dies, his deeds end except for three: ongoing charity, beneficial knowledge, or a righteous child who prays for him."* (Muslim)

Our knowledge therefore serves us now in being better Muslims and will also serve us later. These are just a few reasons why we should seriously consider seeking authentic knowledge. We will be

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Spring Semester will begin on January 18, 2020 inshaAllah.



DR HATEM AL HAJ: FIQH OF FAMILY

Have you been keeping up with **Dr Hatem Al-Haj's Fiqh of Family** series? The class is held **every Saturday at 9 AM EST** and has already covered many beneficial topics, including the marriage

contract, guardianship in marriage, importance of compatibility in marriage, and mahram relationships or those who cannot be married.

If you missed any session you can watch the videos on [Dr Hatem's Facebook Page](#).

This Saturday, Dr Hatem will be conducting his last session of the year, which will expound on the relationships created as a result of breastfeeding. Classes will then resume in January 2020.

Be sure to tune in on Saturday morning inshaAllah. Dr Hatem is also continuing his Tazkiyah Series based on *Manazil as Sairin* and this week will be discussing the **Station of Sobriety**.



'UMDAT AL-FIQH:

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FIQH OF FAMILY

DR. HATEM AL-HAJ

A commentary of Ibn Qudamah's Hanbali Primer, 'Umdat al-Fiqh, coupled with contemporary issues.

STARTING Every Saturday, October 12th 2019

TIME 9 AM - 10 AM EST
(preceded by tazkiyyah session at 8 AM)

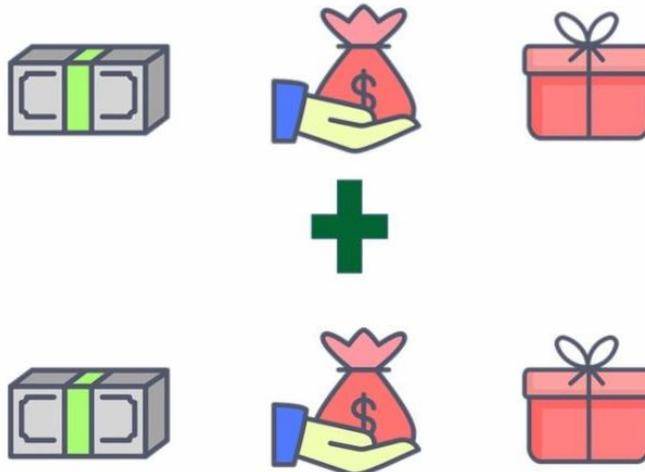
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| Final Weeks Begin | December 7 |

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