

Chapter one:

The Required Etiquettes and Duties for Teachers and Students

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- 1- Pure intention - before commencing, during the pursuance and after completion-.
 - a. Quran:
 - b. The Holy Prophet
 - c. Shia specific traditions (cont.)
7. **I. Sadiq** (a): Students can be categorized into three;
 - i. Those who boast to the foolish and argue with the peers
 - ii. Those who add to themselves to reach a higher rank but they do it in order to seek pride and deceit.
 - iii. Those in order to gain religious insight and to act according to their insight
 - **I. Baqir** (a): Scholars are of 7 types;
 - a. Those who like to save up their knowledge, and **don't want to share**, they will be in the first layer of hellfire.
 - b. Those who **avoid listening to advice**, but is strong in their admonition of others, they will be in the second layer of the hellfire.
 - c. Those who **pursue their own interest** by benefitting the wealthy and people in high position. They believe that there is no place for the poor people inside the borders of knowledge; they will be in the third layer of the hellfire.
 - d. Those **who have the behavior of the tyrants**. If others criticize them, they become angry; they will be in the fourth level of hellfire
 - e. Those who pursue the words of the Jews and the Christians in order to **show that their knowledge is more extensive**; they will be in the fifth layer of the hellfire.
 - f. Those who put themselves in the positions of giving religious decrees. They tell people, 'ask me your religious questions.' But, these scholars may not have a correct knowledge of affairs. The exalted God does not like a person **who tries to show off in this way**; they will be in the sixth layer of hellfire.
 - g. Those **who wish to boast their knowledge, generosity, honor and thoughtfulness**; they will be placed in the seventh layer of hell fire.
- b. **Leaders of Religions**
 - i. **P. Musa** (a) **met P. Khizr and asked for an advice**. He replied,
 - 'Oh you, who are in pursuit of knowledge, know that the **speaker gets less tired than the listener**, therefore, don't tire up your listener when you speak.

- Know that **your heart is used as a container** for different things. Pay attention to what you put into it.
- Know the world and put it behind you, it is **not a permanent home** for you. It is only a tool in order to reach spiritual completion. A servant of God should pick up his provisions from here for the permanent life.

Prepare yourself for patience and perseverance so that you may reach the rank of **forbearance and self-control**. Gain piety so that you may gain understanding. Practice control over the rebellious will by using the armaments of tolerance and fortitude. Subdue it in this way so that you may be free from sin.