

Knowledge should alter our days and nights

Sufyan ibn Uyanah may Allah have mercy upon him said:

إِذَا كَانَ نَهَارِي نَهَارَ سَفِيهِ ، وَلَيْلِي لَيْلَ جَاهِلٍ ، فَمَا أَصْنَعُ بِالْعِلْمِ الَّذِي كَتَبْتُ؟!

If my day is similar to the day of the foolish and my night is like the night of the ignorant, then what will I do with the knowledge I have written?!

(Manners of the Scholars by Aajoori—44)

Shaykh Abdur Razzaq Al Badr: This is a tremendous admonition which the student of knowledge must pay attention to. This was the condition of the Salaf—may Allah have mercy upon them—knowledge was manifest upon them in their worship, their manners, and their interactions. As Al Hassan Al Basri—may Allah have mercy upon him said: "It was such that when a person would seek knowledge, it was soon visible in his eyesight, his humility, his tongue, his hand, his prayer, and his abstinence."

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