



Obstacles In The Path Of Knowledge: Having (Lowly) Purposes (Not Having The Enthusiasm That Is Necessary To Push A Person To Seek That Ilm).

An explanation of some points from "Obstacles in the Path of Knowledge" (of Shaikh 'Abdus-Salaam Burjis) by Abu Hakeem Bilaal Davies. Transcribed by Abu and Umm Mariam for SalafiPublications.Com, edited and amended by Abu Iyaad Amjad Rafiq, checked by Abu Talhah Dawud Burbank.

Introduction

All Praise is due to Allaah, we praise Him, seek His aid and His Forgiveness. We seek refuge in Allaah from the evils of our souls and the evils of our actions. Whomsoever Allaah guides there is none to misguide and whomsoever Allaah misguides there is none to guide. I bear witness that there is none worthy of worship except Allaah, alone, without any partners and I bear witness that Muhammad is His servant and messenger.

Al-Farraa (rahimahullah) mentioned: "Verily, I am amazed at the one who has the ability to seek the Ilm and he does not (study)."

[An extract by Br. Bilal Davis from a book of Shaykh Abu Anas - the same book as used before - chapter 24. Utilising one's free time in obtaining of the Ilm.]

From the hadith of Ibn Abbas (radiallahu anhuma) who mentioned: "There are two blessings which most of the people lose out in regards to and that is good health and free time." (Collected by bukhaari no. 6412)

Rabee'a (rahimahullah) mentioned: "It is not befitting for someone who has with him, something from Ilm, that he should let himself go to waste." (Collected by al-Khateeb in al Jaami' li Akhlaaq ar-Raawi 1/254)

Shaykh Burjis mentions: "One of the things that can raise a person's desire to study is that a person studies the lives and biographies of the salaf."

Benefits from this Lesson

1. The narrations above indicate that wastage occurs in the lives of people when they do not take advantage of free time and good health to seek knowledge, hence in the likes of these situations they have the ability to seek knowledge but do not do so. In addition, what increases a person's desire and motivation for knowledge is reading the state of the Salaf in seeking knowledge.