The Virtues of Becoming an Aalim

Becoming an Aalim (scholar) is a highly revered and esteemed position in Islam. The Quran and Hadith emphasize the importance of seeking knowledge and becoming an Aalim.

Quranic Verses

- "Allah will raise those who have believed among you and those who were given knowledge, by degrees." (Surah Mujādila: Verse 11)
- "Those who have been given knowledge, they know that it is the truth from your Lord, so believe in it." (Surah Al-Baqarah: Verse 213)

Hadith

- "Seeking knowledge is an obligation upon every Muslim." (Narrated by Abu Dawud)
- "The scholars are the heirs of the Prophets." (Narrated by Tirmidhi)
- "The Aalim is the one who has been entrusted with the responsibility of guiding the people. He is the one who has been given the knowledge of the Quran and the Sunnah." (Moulana Ashraf Ali Thanwi)

Moulana Ashraf Ali Thanwi's Teachings

- "The scholars are the inheritors of the Prophets. They are the ones who carry the torch of knowledge and guide the people on the right path."
- "Seeking knowledge is an obligation upon every Muslim. It is a means of pleasing Allah and achieving spiritual growth."
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Benefits of Becoming an Aalim

Becoming an Aalim has numerous benefits, including:

- **Guiding others**: An Aalim has the responsibility of guiding others on the right path.
- **Pleasing Allah**: Seeking knowledge and becoming an Aalim is a means of pleasing Allah.
- Achieving spiritual growth: Knowledge and becoming an Aalim lead to spiritual growth and self-improvement.
- Inheriting the Prophets: Scholars are the heirs of the Prophets, carrying the torch of knowledge and guiding others.