Imam Zayn al-Abidin on the importance of knowledge

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"If people knew the worth of acquiring knowledge, they would have done so even at the cost of a bleeding heart and by diving in stormy waves. Verily, God, the Glorious and the Elevated One, revealed to Prophet Daniyal (Daniel) (p): 'The most detestable of My servants is the ignorant one, who underrates the learned men and ceases to follow their footsteps. The most beloved among my servants is the one who wards off evil by seeking My maximum rewards, remains in contact with the learned men, follows the forbearing and accepts the advice of the sages.'"

-- Imam Zayn al-Abidin (p)

Usul al-Kafi, Book 2, Chapter 4, Tradition 5

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