Prophet Muhammad on the two kinds of learned men

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"There are two kinds of learned men. The one who acts according to his knowledge will be delivered (from chastisement in the Hereafter). The other who ignores his knowledge is destined to perish. Even the dwellers of Hell will be tortured due to the stench emanating from the burning body of the learned person who ignored his knowledge. The most repentant and frustrated among the dwellers of Hell will be the person who guided a servant of God towards the path of God and the latter accepted this guidance from him and obeyed God and therefore God sent him to Paradise but, he who showed him the path will be sent to hell because he ignored his knowledge and acted according to his carnal desires and high ambitions. The pursuit of evil desires becomes a hurdle in the right path and unwarranted ambitions make one indifferent to the life hereafter."

-- Prophet Muhammad (p)

Usul al-Kafi, Book 2, Chapter 13, Tradition 1

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