Yesterday we learnt about Hikmah. Whoever is given hikmah then he is given much good.

Hikmah is from haa kaa meem, and it means, 'to prevent' - because th eone who has wisdom, then his wisom stops him from many wrong things: wrong words, actions, thinking.

The reign of animals is also called hikmah because it prevents it from running away.

The benefit of hikmah: distinguish between the waswasah of shaytan and the inspiration of ar-Rahman.

One is able to tell as to what he should do at what time, when and in what amount.

Hikmah is the Prophet sunnah, the Quran.

So the one who does not know the SUnnah does not know Hikmah, he is far from it.

Hikmah is attained by abandoning what is unnecessary and useless.

BEcause unnecessary and useless things prevent a person from using his mind and reflect.

Hikmah is attained by learning about the Quran, Sunnah, experience, consultation, reflection, sabr, dua, istikharah.

The one who has awareness can only command of what is right and forbid what is wrong - with wisdom one can do da'wah properly, he knows what to stop from, how, when.

The sister shared her experience of how her teacher encouraged her to pray, even if it was not on time, but just pray. So hikmah: teach gradually.

There are many lessons to be learnt from the life of lbnMasud.

But before that, a little discussion on the last hadith we learnt yesterday. If you read it hat home even once, you should have extracted some pearls from it.

Reminder once more: read the text of the hadith at least once when you go home.

`Abdullah (bin Mas`ud) was mentioned before `Abdullah bin `Amr. The latter said, "That is a man I continue to love because I heard Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) saying, ' Learn the recitation of the Qur'an from (any of

these) four persons: `Abdullah bin Masud (he began by mentioning him), Salim the freed slave of Abu Hudhaifa, Ubai bin Ka`b, and Mu`adh bin Jabal.'' I do not remember whether he mentioned Ubai first or Mu`adh.

Why did Abdullah b. Amr love IbnMasud? Today we will learn about the life of Ibn MAsud, his ways, his qualities, etc.

IbnAmr loved him because the Prophet (s) praised him. The Prophet (s) trusted his knowledge, he gave him 'ijazah', that he would be a good teacher, teach well.

The standard of love: ilm. The ilm of Quran.

So our deen has given a lot of honour to the mu'allim: the teacher, especially the teacher of the Quran, and the one who teaches correctly and properly.

But who recognizes that mu'allim and loves him, values him? The one who loves the Qur'an, ilm.

Let us ask ourselves, if I love someone, why do I love them? because of their appearance? their soacial status, wealth? nationality? why? On what basis do we love people?

What made IbnMasud lovable? What qualities did he possess? Do we possess those qualities?

AhlulQuran are Allah's special servants also. Vips on the day of Judgment who will be given special treatment.

So learning the QUran in an excellent manner, and then teaching it in an excellent manner - this is the best thing to do.

So whoever is learning the Quran, serving the Quran, then remember you are doing the best work, you are not wasting your time.

Whatever other people are doing, collecting.... what you are doing and collecting is the best. Never underestimate yourself, think yourself inferior because you are with the Book of Allah. This is no ordinary work.