
Sitting closely in the gatherings of knowledge

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Shaykh al-Albaanee (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ)¹ said, “It is obligatory upon the students of knowledge to come close in the circles [of knowledge] and not to be distant. For this outward coming together affects [a person] inwardly. And the Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)² encouraged this in many hadeeths. For he (صلى الله عليه وسلم) would order the people to come together and sit closely in the gatherings of knowledge, because this bodily closeness has an affect in bringing the hearts together and [bringing about] mutual love and harmony, which must be realised in the heart of every Muslim.”³

¹ (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah have mercy on him

² (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (sallallaahu ‘alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him

³ Siisilatul-Hudaa wan-Noor, Adabul-Majaalis.