

Knowledge and Satisfaction

Satisfaction is the essence of life, without which life tends to be miserable and unproductive. Satisfaction, which could be gained by individuals as well as by societies, has many sources like getting the right education, getting more money, getting things you wish to have, doing a good job at work or at home, getting a good position, and being recognized by society and friends. However, the most rewarding source of satisfaction for me personally is to make people feel good being around me, and to help them get smarter in the process. Trying to demonstrate to others how smart you are is more likely to make them feel bad or insulted or even inferior, which could lead them to stay away from you.

Association with smart people is inspiring; and there is nothing that motivates people to learn more and do better than inspiration. Inspiration is a magical feeling; it helps people acquire more self-confidence, feel good about themselves, recognize what they need to learn to do more in order to get to where they wish to be. To make my students and others around me feel good and motivate them to learn more, I have never tried to keep any knowledge from my students and friends. Since I began teaching and writing, my motto has been: *Knowledge not shared is knowledge wasted*. In fact, there is nothing more painful and harmful to society and humanity than withholding knowledge.

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