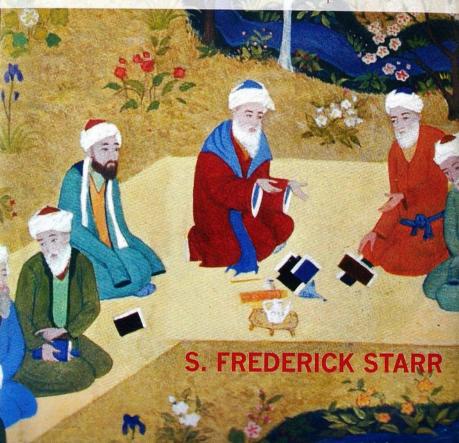




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Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom.

And with all thy getting, get understanding.

—Bible, Proverbs 4.7, King James Version

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