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In the Name of Allah the Most Compassionate Very Merciful

All Praise Due to Allah Almighty the Lord of Hazrat Muhammad – may Allah send peace and blessings upon him

Brief introduction of Tafseer:

Al-Durr Al-Manthoor

(Tafseer Bil Mathoor)

Written by:

Imam Haafiz Jalaaluddeen Abdur Rahmaan Ibn Abi Bakr Suyooti Al-Shaafe'i

Short Biography:

Imam Jalaaluddeen Suyooti was one of the most wonderful personalities in the Muslim world. A very great scholar of Hadeeth, a reviver (Mujaddid) of Islam in the 9th century A.H. He was born in Egypt in the year, 849 A.H. and passed away in 910 or 911 A.H. He was expert in the field of Tafseer, Hadeeth, Islamic jurisprudence, history, Arabic grammar and literature and he was a great linguist as well. He became a Haafiz of Quran at the age of 8 and had memorized a large number of Ahadeeth. He wrote many books that gained worldwide publicity and acceptance. When it comes to his knowledge of Hadeeth, he said, "I have so far memorized 200,000 Ahadeeth and if I come across more, I would learn them too."

He went into seclusion at the age of 40. He even left teaching and writing. He stayed in Raudat Al-Migyaas and remained there till the end. His biography and miracles are famous.

His Works:

- 1. Al-Durr Al-Manthoor
- 2. Jaame' Al-Ahadeeth
- 3. Tareekh Al-Khulafa
- 4. Tafseer Jalaalain
- 5. Al-Khasaais Al-Kubra
- 6. Al-Itgaan Fi 'Uloom Al-Quran
- 7. Tarjumaan Al-Quran and many other great books.

Al-Durr Al-Manthoor:

He states about his Tafseer Al-Durr Al-Manthoor in the introduction:

"I had previously written Tarjumaan Al-Quran in which I included all the Ahadeeth of Tafseer with their chains but when I saw the people running away from lengthy reading. I abridged my book and wrote Al-Durr Al-Manthoor omitting all the chains leaving the Matn only but I managed to mention the books from where I took the Ahadeeth."

This book has been published in 6 volumes and is accepted by both the Ulama and general public as well.

Imam Suyooti has compiled this Tafseer from the Ahadeeth of all the major books of Hadeeth; Sahih Bukhari, Sahih Muslim, Jaame' Tirmidhi, Sunan Nasa'I, Musnad Ahmad Ibn Hanbal, Ibn Jareer, Ibn Abi Haatim, 'Abd Ibn Hameed and Ibn Abi Al-Dunya etc. and given us a treasure of Ahadeeth in form of explanation for the meanings of the holy Quran.