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The Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful

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## Foreword

Praise be to Allāh, the Lord of the worlds. On Him do I rely and from Him do I seek help. I bear witness that there is no deity worthy of worship (in truth) except Allāh; He is alone without any associate. Unto Him all affairs return in the beginning and in the end.

I bear witness that Muhammad (ﷺ) is His slave and Messenger, His beloved, His intimate friend and the bearer of the banner of praise on the Day of Recompense. O Allāh! Send blessing upon him and upon his household and his Companions and those who follow them in goodness in all circumstances and at all times.

My noble brother, Sa'd Yūsuf Mahmūd Abū Azīz is known amongst his brothers and his companions for his laudable character, sound methodology, being fervent in following the *sunnah* and waging war against innovation. He strives, according to his ability, to do good, render benefit and provide guidance to every Muslim.

In recent times, he has come out with some beneficial books that are also easy to read. Some of these have been works verified by him, others are commentaries on what has been written by other writers and authors; yet in others, he has provided references for *hadīths* which were not previously referenced; while others are books that are his own individual compilation or authored by his personal effort. From this last group is this book he has titled: “Men and Women Around the Messenger”.

For this book, he has chosen one hundred personalities amongst the Companions (رضي الله عنهم). He compiled narrations, *hadīths* and incidences that contributed to the distinction of these individuals who have no similitude in the history of mankind after the Prophets of Allāh and His Messengers (رضي الله عنهم). This is as Ibn Mas’ūd (رضي الله عنه), mentioned. Their excellence is further clearly established from the study of these individuals, their attributes and their characters with which they were embellished. For this reason, they were from the best of people ever raised up for mankind.

Everything mentioned about their virtues, good nature and character indicates that those whose names were not mentioned amongst the Companions are of the same stock in manners, character, piety, faith and adherence to the Book of Allāh and to every thing that was learned from the Prophet (ﷺ).

We do hope that Allāh will favor the author to write about more of the Companions of the Messenger of Allāh (ﷺ). May Allāh grant him (proper) understanding, rectify his errors and make him and his likes (the likes of whom are scarce among the people) among the youth of Islām beneficial (to this *Ummah*). Ameen.

—By *Fadheelatush-Shaykh Hasan Ayyub*

## Preface

Praise be to Allāh the Lord of the worlds, and peace and blessings of Allāh be upon the one who was sent as a mercy to the worlds, our leader, Muhammad (ﷺ), his household, his pure Companions and upon those who follow them in goodness till the Day of Judgment.

Writing about the history of Islām, sifting its narrations and verifying its legacy is not an easy task. Dabbling into the differences that spread between the noble Companions equally demands deep knowledge and firm character. The understanding (of the people) has become befuddled and their feet swayed (from the right course) owing to the infiltration of and harmful additions into their stories. Such additions merely stir disharmony, corrupt manners, and detract from the prestige of great personalities. Sadly, some riffraff have been deceived by these false and dubious narrations.

Therefore, Dār Al-Fajr ventured to present the true picture of the life of the Companions (male and female) as part of its contribution toward the spreading of true awareness and





