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Publisher's Forward

To begin and execute a research is like walking in the path of development and evolvement. When the seeds of the “questions” are planted, in the soil of the mind of the researcher, this phase initiates, and its end is culminated when the result and the outcome of knowledge and wisdom is gained.

Evidently, this end is a new chapter in itself, for growth, and announces beforehand this good news to humans. For the result of all those mental efforts will not only bring the blooming and flowering of talent and all kinds of Blessings to humans, but it also makes the mind of the researcher to ponder and shape new, more questions.

This will produce a great collection of growing plants and flowers for the seeking mind... Those “questions” are in fact, the seeds, which according to the necessities of Time and the strength of the researchers will grow and bloom by themselves. They will make Culture and Civilization to move forward.

In like manner, the increasing rate of transferring oneself from one place to another place and the decrease of the distances will make those seeds travel miles and miles, to faraway places, in order to install them inside the curious mind of other seekers. This will bring an amazing diversity and a novelty for another civilization...

It is true then, that the presence of knowledge and a good, capable management will help this project to develop itself and one has to admit indeed, that it has always played an important role...

Al-Mustafa International Publication and Translation Center, because of its global mission, and its special position among the Religious Schools and the colorful human diversity that it has developed inside itself, sees it as a moral duty to procure all the appropriate conditions for any research works, and takes its role in this matter, most seriously. To procure all kinds of necessary grounds, with an excellent management of all the existing possibilities and talents, and to care and protect all its researchers in religious fields; these are the most crucial responsibilities of the Department of Research in this International center.

We dearly hope that by being attentive to all these autonomous scientific movements, and by fortifying all the existing motives, we shall be able to witness the blooming of the Religious Culture in every part of this wide world!

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Transliteration Table

Arabic words have been transliterated according to the following standard transliteration table:

ء			ط	t
ا	a		ظ	ẓ
ب	b		ع	‘
ت	t		غ	gh
ث	th		ف	f
ج	j		ق	q
ح	ḥ		ك	k
خ	kh		ل	l
د	d		م	m
ذ	dh		ن	n
ر	r		و	w

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ز	z		ي	y
س	s		ه	h
ش	sh		ة	h (or not transliterated)
ص	ṣ			
ض	ḍ			
Long Vowels			Short Vowels	
ا	ā		اَ	a
و	ū		وُ	u
ي	ī		يَ	i
(s) : 7 - Peace and blessings be upon him and his family				
(a) : X - Peace be upon him				

Publisher's Foreword

Social developments, the exigencies of pioneering scientific discoveries and the emergence of novel sciences have created new demands that need to be met through founding specialized fields of study and educating a new generation of experts in the given fields. Therefore, textbooks should also be written keeping these developments in mind.

In the face of globalization and the expansion of Western cultural dominance via cultural and communication media, it is essential that researchers and those interested in these subjects familiarize themselves with noble ideas and exalted values. This can be achieved through the establishment of specialized disciplines, the production of new and rich content, and the expansion of the systematic education of students. The process sometimes entails focus on primary subjects and development of technical texts, and is at times instantiated by writing academic, though not complicated and technical, articles.

Besides this, the development of the educational centers depends on a consistent, systematic and dynamic education system. Revising and updating the textbooks and teaching methods can also lead to consistency and dynamicity, thereby enhancing the academic liveliness of the educational centers.

In this context, thanks to the Islamic Revolution, Islamic seminaries have long been working towards reforming the educational structure and revise instructional texts.

As part of this system, al-Mustafa International University, which has the important mandate of educating non-Iranian seminary students, has made the development of instructional materials part of its agenda, which in turn has resulted in the publication of textbooks on various subjects in the field of religious sciences.

Al-Mustafa International Center of Translation and Publication extends its gratitude to the honorable scholar Muḥammad Bāqir Ma'rifat, the author of the present book, *Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān: Etiquette and Rules*, and all those collaborating on this project, and dedicates the work to the seekers of pure Islamic culture and thought.

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