

# بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

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## A Biography of Imaam Uthaymeen<sup>3</sup>

His Lineage:

He is Aboo 'Abdullaah Muhammad ibn Saalih ibn Muhammad ibn 'Uthaymeen al-Wuhaybee at-Tameemee

His Birth:

His Eminence, the Shaykh (رحمته) was born in the city of *Unayzah*, one of the cities of *Qaseem*, on the 28<sup>th</sup> of *Ramadaan* 1347H.

His Early Upbringing:

He read the noble *Qur'aan* to his grandfather on his mother's side (of the family), 'Abdur Rahmaan ibn Sulaymaan Aali Daamigh. He memorized it then began seeking knowledge. He learned penmanship, arithmetic, and some sciences of literature. The Shaykh was granted intelligence and the utmost zeal and enthusiasm in obtaining knowledge and sitting with the scholars. At the forefront of them (i.e. these scholars) was the *Shaykh, al-'Allaamah*, the *Mufassir*, the *Faqeeh*, 'Abdur Rahmaan ibn Naasir as-Sa'dee. Shaykh 'Abdur Rahmaan had two of his students appointed to teaching the youth, Shaykh 'Alee as-Saalihee and Shaykh Muhammad ibn 'Abdul 'Azeez al-Mutawwi'. Shaykh Muhammad (al-'Uthaymeen), (رحمته), read with them: *Mukhtasar al-'Aqeedah al-Waasitiyyah* by Shaykh 'Abdur Rahmaan as-Sa'dee, *Minhaaj as-Saalikeen fee'l Fiqh* by Shaykh 'Abdur Rahmaan as-Sa'dee; as well as, *Aajuroomiyyah*, and *Alfiyyah* concerning grammar and morphology.

<sup>3</sup> Taken from *Sharh Kitaab Hiliyyatu Taalibil 'Ilm* by Imaam 'Uthaymeen (p. 11 - 13)

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He read with Shaykh 'Abdur Rahman ibn 'Alee ibn 'Awdaan in inheritance and *Fiqh*. He read with Shaykh 'Abdur Rahman ibn Naasir as-Sa'dee who is considered his primary Shaykh since he accompanied him constantly. He read with him in *Tawheed*, *Tafseer*, *Hadeeth*, *Fiqh*, and Principles of *Fiqh*, Inheritance, *Hadeeth* Terminology, Grammar, and Morphology.

#### His Academic Life:

When the *Ma'had al-'Ilme* was opened in *Riyadh*, he enrolled there in the year 1372H. The Shaykh stated (ﷺ): "I entered the *Ma'had al-'Ilme* in the second year. I enrolled there due to the advice of Shaykh 'Alee as-Saalihee and after I sought permission from Shaykh 'Abdur Rahman as-Sa'dee, (ﷺ). In that time, the *Ma'had al-'Ilme* was divided into two sectors: advanced and general. I was in the advanced sector. During that time, whoever so desired could spring ahead, as they say, meaning he (a person) would study the preceding year during the school vacation then test in the beginning of the succeeding year. If he passed, he would advance to the next year, and due to this I shortened time." (The end of his speech)

After two years, he graduated and was appointed as a teacher of the *Ma'had al-'Ilme* in *Unayzah* while continuing to study in the Faculty of *Sharee'ah* and at the hands of Shaykh 'Abdur Rahman as-Sa'dee.

When Shaykh 'Abdur Rahman as-Sa'dee passed away, in the year 1376H (ﷺ), Shaykh Muhammad (al-'Uthaymeen) (ﷺ) was promoted to *Imaam* of *al-Jaami' al-Kabeer (Masjid)* and head of education at *Maktabah Unayzah al-Wataniyyah* while continuing to teach in the *Ma'had al-'Ilme*. He then transferred to teaching in both the Faculty of *Sharee'ah* and *Usool ad-Deen* in a branch of the Islamic University of Muhammad ibn Sa'ood in *Qaseem*. He did not cease (to teach there) until his death (ﷺ) all the while being a member of the Committee of Major Scholars of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

#### His Books and Works:

The Eminent *Shaykh* has many works exceeding 80 (in number), from them:

- 1 - *Izaalatus Sitaar 'an al-Jawaab al-Mukhtaar li Hidaayatul Muhtaar*
- 2 - *Usool fee at-Tafseer*
- 3 - *Usool fee 'Ilmil Usool*
- 4 - *ad-Diyaa al-Laami' minal Khutb al-Jawaami'*
- 5 - *al-Qawaa'id al-Muthlaa fee Sifaatillab wa Asmaa'ihil Husnaa*
- 6 - *al-Qawlul Mufeed 'alaa Kitaab at-Tawheed*
- 7 - *Sharh al-'Aqeedah al-Waasitiyyah*
- 8 - *Sharh Kitaab at-Tawheed min Sabeel al-Bukhaaree*
- 9 - *Sharh Kashf ash-Shubuhaat*
- 10 - *Sharh Lum'atul 'Itiqaad al-Haadee ilaa Sabeel ar-Risbaad*

#### His Illness and Death:

The *Shaykh* passed, may clouds of mercy be upon him, on Wednesday coinciding with the 15<sup>th</sup> of *Shawwaal* in the year 1421H.

We ask Allaah, The Most High, The All Capable to immerse him in His mercy, to raise his rank and degree, and to gather him amongst the ranks of the righteous and martyrs.