

ABSTRACT

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Ahmed Hussein Deedat was a muslim apologist, scholar, writer, charismatic public speaker and Islamic missionary of Indian-South African descent that wrote a numerous inter-religion books and lecturer of some speeches. Most of his books are talked about Isa AS (Jesus). Almost of all his work was attack Christian ideology about Isa AS.

Among the contribution of Ahmed Deedat in inter-religion field was his notion about the easter of Isa AS based on the holy Quran and Bible. In his book *Was Jesus Crucified?*, Deedat declared that the Jews never crucified Isa AS. It established by some facts that he wrote in that book as a proof. Whereas, in his other book entitled *The Crucifixion of Christ; a Fact not Fiction*, Deedat also wrote that Isa AS was crucified and dead on the cross. There was a contradict statement from Deedat that might be explored.

This minithesis would like to analyze: *first*, is Ahmed Deedat's opinion contradicted toward the *mufassirs* interpretation? *Second*, what was the reasons of Ahmed Deedat to argue the contradict opinion toward the *mufassirs*?

According to the Quran, surah Ali Imran (3): 55, an-Nisa (4): 157-158 and al-Maidah (5): 117 are chosen as the involved verses. Four major works of selected classical and modern exegesis, from different school of thought are used in the analysis of the verses. Their exegetical hopes can give the clear explanation on the term of the easter of Isa AS, then used as a comparison to find out the majority argumentation of Ahmed Deedat on the easter of Isa AS. By the descriptive-analysis method, the writer tries to explore Deedat's ambiguous opinions in this field and criticize some aspect of his elucidation.

Although some of Ahmed Deedat opinion was contradicted with *mufassirs* interpretation in the way of his (Isa AS) death, but the core of this study is how was the easter of Isa AS according to Ahmed Deedat?. And according to him Isa AS was dead a hundred ages ago and never went down to the earth but his teachings remains with us until now to the end of time. Some main reasons of Ahmed Deedat to argue the contradict opinion are his background of life and environment of his life.

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