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*“fair In the eyes of men is the love of things They covet:  
women and sons; Heaped-up hoards of gold and silver;  
horses branded (for blood and excellence); and (wealth of)  
cattle and well-tilled land. such are the possessions of This  
world's life; but In nearness to Allah is the best of the  
goals (to return to)”.*

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## TRANSLITERATION GUIDELINESS<sup>1</sup>

ا/ء	a/`	د	d	ض	dh	ك	K
ب	b	ذ	dz	ط	th	ل	L
ت	t	ر	r	ظ	zh	م	M
ث	ts	ز	z	ع	‘	ن	N
ج	j	س	s	غ	gh	و	W
ح	<u>h</u>	ش	sy	ف	f	هـ	H
خ	kh	ص	sh	ق	q	ي	Y

كَا.....	Â
كِي.....	Î
كُو.....	Û

All of translations of Quranic verses in this mini-thesis are taken from application “Quran in Word 1.3 (English version)” using Translation “English Yusuf Ali”.

<sup>1</sup> Ahmad Hatta, *Tafsir Qur'an Per Kata*, Magfirah Pustaka, Jakarta, 2010.

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## ABSTRACT

Keyword: *Semantic, Maḥabbah, Toshihko Izutsu*

The key terms of the Qur'an are words that play a crucial role. Among key terms in the Qur'an is the word *Maḥabbah*. Word *Maḥabbah* is mentioned in the Qur'an are very a lot with the various forms of derivation. The word *Maḥabbah* becomes a keyword is interesting to examine in the semantic study. This research using semantic analysis that was developed by Toshihiko Izutsu, in hopes can bring dynamic messages from vocabulary of the Qur'an contained in it, with analytical and methodological review of that concept.

The problems of this research are; *first* understand the basic meaning and the relational meaning of word “*Maḥabbah*”, *second* understand the development meaning of word “*Maḥabbah*” in the review of the synchronic and Diachronic analysis (include pre-Qur'anic period, Qur'anic period, and the period of post-Qur'anic). Furthermore, the type of this research is library research, and using description analysis based on semantics theory.

This research resulted in conclusion that basic meaning of the word *Maḥabbah* is love and relational meaning is love directed at the rational and lacks, and the nature of God. While the meaning *Maḥabbah* in the third period is very diverse, it is motivated religious issues. Comprehensively *Maḥabbah* concept from development meaning began from pre-Islamic to the birth of Islam was conceptualized as a declaration of love for something; although from both this period have different cultures, especially in religion. Inductively thing that is the hallmark and uniqueness of the Qur'an, as well as when the Qur'an take a vocabulary from pre-Islamic period who does not immediately change the meaning contained in it.

