

The Constituents of Eudaemonistic Pleasure according to the Islamic Sources

(Editing a Conceptual Model)

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There are different approaches to what might bring people happiness and joy. This issue has since long been drawing the attention of scholars, philosophers, and Psychologists. This research has been carried out in order to edit a conceptual model of eudaemonistic pleasure according to the Islamic sources (the Qur'an and hadith). In order to analyze the constituents of concepts of pleasure and eudaemonism within the descriptive-explanative statements of the Islamic texts, we made use of the content analysis method; and for the explanation of the conceptual structure of eudaemonistic pleasure, we made use of semantic method. For that matter, we have first gone to seek for and collect the terms and descriptive-explanative statements related to the topic within the Islamic texts. Classification and conceptualization of the main contents of the selected texts have been done in order to determine the constituents of concept.

The research findings suggest that according to the Islamic texts the conceptual structure of eudaemonist pleasure rests on four main constituents: the experience of pleasure (in the fields of carnal psychological and spiritual pleasure), awareness when taking pleasure, eudaemonistic orientation in pleasure-taking, and the process of achieving happiness.

Keywords: pleasure-taking, eudaemonism, spiritualism, conceptual model, the process of achieving.

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The Indexes of Verbal Communication between Male and Female Strangers

(A Study through the Approach of Islamic Lifestyle)

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Verbal communication between male and female strangers comprises a significant part of social lifestyle. Urban life of today requires male and female strangers to communicate verbally with one another far more than they used to do yesterday. In order to duly orientate such a level of communication, Islam has proposed some indexes according to the concept of its particular lifestyle. Aiming at the answer of "What are the indexes of verbal communication between Male and female strangers in the light of the Qur'an and Islamic traditions?", this essay goes to clarify the concept of lifestyle and to study the related indexes qua social communication. For the collection of data, the library method has been used; however, the descriptive-analytic method has been used to judge about the tone and content of one's word with a stranger coming up to the following indexes: Avoiding the arousing tone and content of words, avoiding verbal jokes and intimate words, managing the verbal communication as least due as possible still putting it in a due and proper pattern. Accordingly, such a word might be morally valuable and favored by Islam.

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The System of Subjects and Concepts of the Islamic Lifestyle Theory according to Imam Ali's Line of Conduct

(Highlighting his Nahju al-Balaghah)

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In what follows, the authors have gone to lay down the theoretic principles of Imam Ali's lifestyle. The main question is "What are the doctrines, constituents and concepts of Imam Ali's conduct and lifestyle?" Due to the use of data-based theory strategy, the conceptual model and theory has not been taken into consideration. A particular code has been defined for each key point from the texts on Imam Ali's line of conduct. Then, through the comparison of those codes, more general concepts we formed. Next, by the comparison of those concepts, we achieved some categories and variables (the main bases of the theory). According to the findings, the theory went developed comprising the main four fields of man's relations (man's relations to himself, to Allah, to other people, and to the universe) covering all aspects of man's life.

This theory has been developed in the course of naturalization of humanities and as a contribution to the theoretical and practical branches of sciences for the country. When man's thought, feeling and behavior are corrected in man's four above-mentioned relations, man may achieve the well-being of this world and the hereafter happiness. It is thus suggested that in the mechanized life and materialistic Western world of today, people pay serious attention to Imam Ali's lifestyle.

Keywords: lifestyle, Imam Ali's line of conduct, Nahju al-Balaghah.

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The Discourse-making Procedure of the Lifestyle of Religious Leaders in Society

(Highlighting the Views of the Supreme Leader of Iran)

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In its individual family and social dimensions, the religious leaders' lifestyle goes rested on the doctrines of the Qur'an and hadith serving as a proper pattern for all members of the Islamic society. In order to have the lifestyle of religious leaders made the dominant discourse of the society, we should first introduce the value of the subject of the discourse and let that value be generally known through wisdom good advice and fair dispute (which all serve as sagely and logically explanation of a word). We should then render that subject a concern for individuals to think about it thus a peace of public belief and current idea. Next through the source navigation, we should go to the elite who can generate a new movement of thought in order to help all members of the society develop a new behavior from the heart of that belief. In the end when highlighted and repeated more and more, those behaviors may go changed into a new social culture. The strategy to make such discourse pervasive in the society is: proposing a clear definition, making use of parallel meanings, coining terms, institutionalization, creating qualitative indexes, introducing prominent figures, answering the counter-discourse, persistence with the message transfer, proposing the sound logic of the Islamic Revolution, and making use of public contribution to the creation of message and asymmetric measures. The research is of development kind, and the method of collection, classification, and analysis of data is descriptive-analytic.

Keywords: discourse-making, lifestyle, religious leader, source navigation, coining terms, creating indexes, asymmetric war.

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Rules of Behavior in the Islamic Economy

(The Concept, Characteristics, Theoretical Approaches, and Practical Principles)

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The Islamic economy aims to establish and regulate the economic behaviors within the framework of the Islamic norms; "so that mankind may maintain justice". Therefore, it is necessary to examine the concept and characteristics of rules of behavior and to explicate the related principles and approaches in different sections of the Islamic economy. In what follows, the author has followed up the issue through the economic and jurisprudential analysis.

According to the findings of research, the rule of behavior stands for the concept of Ma'ruf (good act) in the Islamic Law; there are six characteristics for it: meaningfulness, relative stability and gradual dynamism, that it depends on a feeling of need stemming from beliefs and sentiment, that it rests on a fixed mechanism and posited setting, that it can spontaneously or knowingly be performed, and that it can be judged. In the Islamic normative economy, rules of behavior are proposed within the framework of dynamic patterns, fixed legal standards and variable policies. In the Islamic positive economy, rules of behavior can be recognized through the ongoing mechanism, its relation to the Islamic norms and an inquiry into the practice of the adults. In the political economy of Islam and according to its legal standards for behavior-making, the patterns for fixing or changing rules of behaviors are sought for according to the Islamic norms. The Islamic required rules of economic behavior rest on the religious principles such as substitution and thriving in production, controlling and brotherhood in distribution, temperance and adequacy in consumption.

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Lifestyle in the Light of the Qur'an

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Having embraced that man's life might be formulated as a style, a system, and a model, the author has gone to formulate the Islamic favorite lifestyle as the subject of his research according to the verses of the Qur'an showing how it would look like. In his research and for the sake of documentation (assay validity and stability of data), the author has referred to the apparent verses of the Qur'an and some traditions and to the exegeses of the Qur'an. The method followed here is a mixed one: interpretation by the subject, content analysis, and the grounded theory. The process of this research is: 1- collecting the related verses and primary and concentrated conceptualization; 2- classification of those concentrated concepts; 3- determining the main constituents and their roles; and 4- establishing logical ties between selected categories and structures systematically in a theoretical model. The result achieved from the examination of the verses goes to prove a model of procedure of life that includes factors of ground, individual constituents, social constituents, and different social activities.

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