

Suggesting a New Definition of Divinity as a Model for a Better Understanding of His Whatnessis

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Abstract

In this article, by providing a definition of "conception of divinity/God", as a model for a clearer and more accurate understanding of what divinity is, it is shown that any conception of divinity is based on the three components of differentiation/non-differentiation, exaltation/non-elevation. And the personal/impersonal form of divinity is stable. Then, by explaining the concept of each of the above three components, it has been stated that the defense of each of the above components has its own reasons and they should not be confused with each other, otherwise we will suffer some kind of inconsistency in our idea of divinity. Finally, it has been concluded that firstly, the proofs of God's existence should not be equated with the concept of divinity. Secondly, relying on the above definition of the concept of divinity, it is possible to provide a detailed understanding of the three concepts of theistic, pantheistic and panentheistic concepts of divinity. Thirdly, it is possible to provide an interpretation of the attributes of divinity that is consistent with the idea of divinity.

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