

Iranian Families' Moral Strategies and Islamic Approach in Dealing with the Coronavirus Crisis

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Abstract

When world community and also Iran are encountered with coronavirus crisis and home quarantine enforcement going together with the closure of schools, universities, works, and so forth, family as an underlying social institution plays a decisive role in protecting its members, in educating children, in treating patients, and more generally in helping people and society to pass through this crisis. It is moral strategies that definitely maintain family solidarity and mainly create social cohesion particularly in the current disaster. This article primarily aims to recognize these strategies in the Islamic approach and in the objective relations of Iranian families. Examining the Islamic moral strategies in family ties on the basis of Islamic beliefs concerning goodness and badness, character traits and actions in financial, emotional, sexual, and educational terms, this study infers the rights and wrongs of Islamic morality from which families can benefit in the current difficult conditions. Then relying on a remote interview with some cases and the analysis of its salient contents, it explains and analyzes moral problems and strategies that Iranian families need to know for dealing with the coronavirus crisis. According to the findings, the greatest difficulties and concerns experienced by families during the quarantine period originate from the fields of health, education, economics, and leisure. It has been observed that the convergence of the strategies tolerantly employed by families such as strategies for safety and pleasure is considerable.

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