

Rationality of Context for Understanding of Religious Texts

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Abstract

Linguistic and non-linguistic context is one of the most significant frameworks in which text is formed. Sometimes, meaning of a text might differ depending on difference of constituting elements of the context and lack of attention to this fact might lead to misunderstanding, conflicted understanding, distortion of speaker's words, and claim of abortion in Quran verses and/or rejection of many factual hadith. All of these problems are due to lack of attention to surrounding context of the text. The present paper recognizes the rationality of context and style and provides evidence of application of context in religious texts. It asks for a novel approach to linguistic and non-linguistic context in jurisprudential science, something that scholars of religious principles as well as other Islamic scholars used practically.

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