

Distortions of Torah As Evidenced by Quran Verses

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Abstract

Belief in verbal distortion of Torah has long been common among Islamic scholars. This viewpoint is premised on the fact that God attributes the verbal distortion to children of Israel. However, other verses of Quran value Torah so highly that distortion of it cannot be simply accepted. This survey adopts an analytical-inductive method so as to review the reasons offered by Quran verses on distortion and then it details the verses on significance of Torah. It suggests that up to descend of Quran, Torah's text had not been distorted and the real distortion is related to children of Israel's interpretation of the religious text. Based on the findings, Quran's order on reestablishment of true Torah is one of the main reasons of this claim.

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