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ISLAMIC AND CHRISTIAN WORK ETHICS: AN ANALYSIS

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Abstract

Various scholars have been inspired by ethics and value systems across the centuries. However, conversations on such topics –especially in academia – have been conducted from a Judeo-Christian perspective, without giving much attention to other systems of thought. Thus, we argue that the Islamic view of ethical consideration and work needs to be explored more. This article explores the notion of Islamic work ethics, and its dimensions in contrast to Christian work ethics. This study contributes towards removing any misconceptions of Islamic work ethics and to clearly understand the Islamic view of work ethics and its implementation. Findings revealed that the notion of work ethics, as generally understood, is specifically related to work only. However, work ethics in Islam is an essential constituent of a typical Muslim's life, which is part of the Islamic tradition. Islamic work ethics is not only related to work but is equally applicable in all fields of life, irrespective of religious beliefs. © 2024, International Islamic University Malaysia. All rights reserved.

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