(Primordial religion): Nurturing inter-religious dialogue and beyond in al-Faruqi's thoughts

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Abstract
The goal of this paper is to expound the spiritual basis of inter-religious dialogue by revisiting the writings of Ismail Raji al-Faruqi. This research will investigate al-Faruqi's thoughts on Din al-Firah (Primordial Religion), from a spiritual basis and as a religious norm that nurtures inter-religious dialogue and beyond between the adherents of three revealed religions, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. The topics dealt with are: (1) al-Faruqi's thoughts on Din al-Firah (Primordial Religion), (2) al-Faruqi's views on inter-religious dialogue, and (3) al-Faruqi's stance on nurturing inter-religious dialogue and beyond in light of Din al-Firah (Primordial Religion). This paper employs descriptive and analytical methods as well as critical method. The findings of this study enrich the perspective of modern comparative religious studies with insights into the original efforts of al-Faruqi towards the notion of inter-religious dialogue. © 2018 by Pioters. All rights reserved.

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