

Analysis of the Content of Children's Prayers

in Razavi Holy Shrine¹

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Abstract

This research was conducted with the aim of investigating the content of children's prayers in purified Razavi Shrine. In order to achieve this goal, the child's understanding of the concepts related to the content of prayer such as pilgrimage, prayer and Imam Ridā (as) was investigated. The statistical population in this survey were all children aged 6 to 11 who were present in the Holy Shrine at the time of the research. Considering gender and age diversity and with theoretical understanding, the research sample reached 100 people. The research method used is content analysis and interview research tool. Sampling was by available and random method. The content of their prayers show that material and worldly wishes are much higher than spiritual wishes. Comparing the content of prayers in different ages does not show much difference and the content of material and worldly prayers is more in all ages. Also, the results showed that children are mostly in the exchangeist functionalist category.

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