
The Educational Style of Imam Reza (A.S) While Debating with the Followers of Other Religions and Schools of Thought

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Abstract

In Ahl Al-Bayt (A.S)'s school, debates and arguments, which were managed during the history by them, were employed to explain religious studies while facing with the opponents of Islam. Meanwhile, considering the educational style of Imam Reza (A.S) while debating with the followers of other different religions and schools of thought reflects the scientific position of Imam Reza, introduces him as a perfect human personality, can be a model to compile a document on how to do an accurate and ethics-driven debate, and can be a step towards the educating of humans during the history. The current descriptive-analytical study seeks to answer this main question: What are the main pivots of Imam Reza's educational style while debating with the followers of other religions and schools of thought? Based on the findings of the study, following educational goals, emphasizing key principles of Islam, referring to sacred texts, being dominant on different languages and accents, carrying out best debates, maintaining the human dignity, observing fairness and justice in debates and so on are the main pivots of Imam Reza's educational style while debating with the followers of other religions and schools of thought.

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