

2nd Winner in the Adult Section



Mohammad Ali Mobini

Scientific Group: Philosophy, Logic and Theosophy

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Research Title: God, Value, Rationality: A Step Towards the Theory of Existential Proportionality about the Value

Type of Research Work: Book

About the Researcher

Mohammad Ali Mobini, born in 1967, is an Islamic seminary student who has studied and researched both in religious studies and some contemporary philosophical fields. He completed his bachelor's degree in theology and Islamic studies and his master's degree in theology both at Imam Khomeini Education and Research Institute. His doctoral degree was completed at Qom University in the field of Theosophy, whit a focus on philosophy of religion and new theological issues. Since 2005, Mobini has been a member of the scientific board of the Research center for Islamic Philosophy and Theology of the Islamic Sciences and Culture Academy affiliated with Islamic Propagation Office of Qom Seminary. The field of his research activities is epistemology, religious epistemology and moral philosophy. He follows all these fields with a religious approach. Now, he has a mission from his research center to do Quranic studies in the light of his research fields in the research center for Quranic Sciences and Culture in the department of comparative studies.

Chapter 2: Winners Introduction



Abstract

God, Value, Rationality is the title of a book that tries to present a new theory about moral value. On the one hand, the author has a realistic view of moral value, and on the other hand, he does not accept consequentialist and instrumental interpretations of moral value and believes in the independence and autonomy of moral value. In addition, it intends to combine this realistic and independent view with a monotheistic view of ethics. The discussion in the book begins with some semantic reflections and the examination of some consequentialist theories, especially the late Ayatollah Misbah Yazdi's theory about moral value, and then, considering the problems they face, an alternative monotheistic theory based on the independence of moral value is presented. The theory, called the theory of existential fitness, emphasizes the concept of fitness and harmony between beings and sees the fitness between the Creator and creatures as the fundamental fitness. The author believes that this theory both answers some problems raised in the ethics and also explains well how morality could depend on God while being realistic and maintaining the independence of moral value. In this book, it is claimed that by following this theory, new explanations can be achieved not only in the field of value but also in other fields of philosophy. In the final chapters of the book, two examples of this explanation (on the issue of rationality and the issue of evil) are presented.