

Cognition (*Maarifa*) in Mysticism and Quran

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Abstract

Irfan (the Muslim word for mysticism) literally means knowledge and cognition. So, cognition is the common denominator of all mysticisms. Based on mysticism (Irfan), truth can be achieved through heart discovery and intuition. Mystics prefer the knowledge gained through heart discovery and intuition to rational proofs. They believe that cognition can be gained through the inner eye after the mystic passes and masters various spiritual phases. The result of such cognition would be the opening of the Gate of Heaven Kingdom and the Sphere of Unity to the heart of the mystic. Such cognition is based on Quran, which is the source of sharia as a rich original Islamic source.

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