

Normative Theory; A Theory for the Transition Period

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Abstract

One of the key questions of the present age is how we should deal with the products of modern science in a religious atmosphere. To answer the above question, there are approaches among Muslim thinkers; From the absolute acceptance of these products as the achievements of human endeavor to the complete denial of these achievements as two completely reciprocal views and finally intermediate theories such as the separation between the humanities and natural sciences and the attempt to religiousize the humanities because of its atheistic principles; Using natural science products as useful achievements of human experience.

In the meantime, according to normative theory, while using the achievements of experimental sciences as scientific advances, it is necessary to attach religious norms to them, as scientific ethics and cultural attachment, in order to reduce their harm. In this article, while explaining, reviewing and criticizing the above views, the strengths and weaknesses of normative theory have been studied and this theory has been proposed as a practical theory only for the period of transition from modernity to the arrival of religious civilization.

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