Innate Human Nature in Light of Imam Hussein’s Uprising: A Comparative Study

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This essay examines the objectives of Imam Hussein’s uprising in light of its being a divine revolution, and its compatibility with the innate human nature in light of its being a human revolution, regardless of national and ethnic ties. The Husseini uprising is distinguished from other global secular revolutions—modern or historical—but this does not signify a complete difference between religious and secular revolutions. A human—whether he is religious or not—is driven by his innate nature to seek perfection in everything: he yearns for justice and freedom, and refuses oppression and enslavement. Not one human deviates from this general course. The difference, however, between the Husseini uprising and secular revolutions lies in the method of seeking perfection, and this arises from the worldview maintained by each. The following aspects display the differences: Theocentrism vs. anthropocentrism, looking to the hereafter vs. the worldly life, and the group vs. the individual.
The Effect of Analyzing Imam Hussein's Movement on the Islamic Ummah: An Analysis of Imam Hussein’s Stances

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This essay highlights the importance of analyzing Imam Hussein’s stances in Karbala, the dimensions of this profound analysis, and the necessity of connecting it to the reality of the Islamic Ummah throughout history and in our modern day where narrow conceptions, destructive bigotry, and successive deviations abound due to the Ummah’s non-adherence to the Quran, the Sunnah of the Prophet, and the Prophet’s Household. The essay aims to analyze Imam Hussein’s stances in Karbala, and this should be done free from any subjectivity and with an awareness that Imam Hussein’s aim is compatible with the Prophet’s aim. In this way, we can follow God’s commands, taking Imam Hussein as an example and coming to the victory of Truth regardless of the price to be paid, the hostile forces amassed, and the surrounding conspiracies.

Analyzing Imam Hussein’s movement should be grounded on intellectual and methodological moderation, and should be free from any bigotry. Difficulties and obstacles face this analysis, and an inaccurate reading of the incidents might lead some to deviate from the heart of the issue and form hasty judgments incompatible with reality and inconsistent with academic research methodology.
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