

## **Morality of Imam Ali (pbuh) is a Bridge Between Political and Religious Shiism of Iranians**

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### **Abstract**

Some researchers believe that the path of Iranian Shiism was first political, and then over time, it went through its religious growth and evolution. But the basic question here is whether political behavior can cause religious tendencies among Iranians? Or is it that there is a missing link among the political and religious Shiism called ethics, the realization of which has deepened the belief in the life and behavior of Imam Ali (pbuh)? This research, with a descriptive and analytical approach, intends to analyze the role of Imam Ali's virtue of tolerance towards Iranians, as a link between political and religious Shiism. The result is that it is not logical that the political Shiism of Iranians will suddenly undergo its own religious Shiism; Therefore, there has been a bridge between political and religious Shiism that Iranians have been fascinated by Imam Ali (pbuh) and that is the great influence of Imam Ali (pbuh) morals on all Muslims, especially Iranians. The divine morality of Imam Ali (pbuh) is the middle link between the political and religious Shiism of Iranians, which caused Iranians to be fascinated by the moral life of Imam Ali (AS), regardless of their political leanings towards the followers of Imam Ali (pbuh).

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