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METHODOLOGIES EMPLOYED BY AL BERUNI IN THE ANALYSIS OF RELIGIOUS SYSTEMS

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ABSTRACT

This scholarly article delves into the comprehensive works of Abu RayhanBeruni, an eminent encyclopedist whose significant contributions have greatly influenced the evolution of concrete and social sciences. Furthermore, it scrutinizes his extensive research in the realm of religious studies.

Beruni's oeuvre reflects his scientific approach towards the analysis of various aspects such as the history, culture, and language of diverse nations. His erudition is evident in his familiarity with a multitude of languages including Jewish, Greek, Persian, Arabic, Sugdian, and Coptic. Moreover, his profound understanding of religions such as Judaism and Christianity is clearly demonstrated through his meticulous study of the Torah and Bible sources.

Beruni's works also encompass a thorough examination of the history of Jahiliyyah, a period predating the advent of Islam. He not only meticulously studied this era but also conducted an in-depth analysis of its gradual evolution and its correlations with reality during his exploration of various religions.

This article aims to scrutinize Beruni's perspectives on the historical development, formation, and manifestation of religious values. It also seeks to present a comparative analysis of these values as depicted in his works. This article examines Beruni's views on the history, formation, and manifestation of religious values, as well as their comparative analysis.

KEYWORDS: Abu Rayhan Beruni, Khorezm, Kat, "Beruni's Age", Judaism, Christianity, Islam, "Kitab Al-Hind", "Kitab Al-Athar Al-Baqiyah".

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