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This webinar was held on the occasion of the anniversary of the martyrdom of Martyr Mofatteh on December 18th.

The president of the University of Tehran, Professor Moghimi started as the first lecturer:

“God willingly, in apocalypse we will see the Advent of Imam Zaman and in that time we will see a universal and unified Theology will be formed and we can take advantage of its potentials. But now we must be able to fill the gap between the Muslim nations and unite them.



Some seek to divide shia and Sunni apart. As a Muslim we should use our commonalities to improve Islam. Then we will prioritize our common topic like Monotheism in meetings with the elites of other nations and religions.

After professor Moghimi, professor Mahmood Vaezi started his speech: “martyr mofatteh was the first president of university of Tehran.

One of the points he made was that our country, our theological community should raise the words of the Imam and the Islamic Republic. We must follow that pure Mahdist theology which follows



the Quran. Theology of Islam is liberal. The future of human

societies must be based on rationality because it is accepted by all.

He further pointed out: “The first thing we understand of this unjustly terror of Moffateh is that theology must be expanded and we must move towards universal theology.”

Professor Nouredine Abu al-Haya, a faculty member at Bante University in Algeria, another lecturer at the meeting Said: “As muslims we can continue Islam in tree ways:

The path of extremism that says all religions are right. Heresy and standing against religions and disturbingm the peace. Divisiveness must be avoided .Different religions can never be combined, but commonalities can be found and expanded. We should follow the example of the Prophet in conversations with the Christians of Najran.



Professor Mohammad Hadi Mofatteh, President of the Islamic Center of Hamburg in Germany, the son of Martyr Moffateh, made important points in his speech. He emphasized on the need to separate the practical and theoretical issues of theology.

He said: “Practical issues mean the same as social issues. Nowadays these theological discourses are not



popular in Europe and Central Europe as in Germany. Protestant Christians and Jews are not interested in these meetings and do not pay attention to them. They believe that nowadays is a secular age and some people are no longer looking for theology. But Christian Catholics are obsessed with these meetings because of the pope's advices. Some Christians have drawn attention to the issues raised in the Quran about Jesus and Holy mother of Mary, and this has led to a series of conversations.

But what are we looking for in these conversations? Converting other religions to Islam? Or finding subscriptions?

It is a concept called multiculturalism. That means there are Christians, Muslims, Jews and other religions in the community but neither dominates the other. These religions in society must interact with each other and find common grounds.”

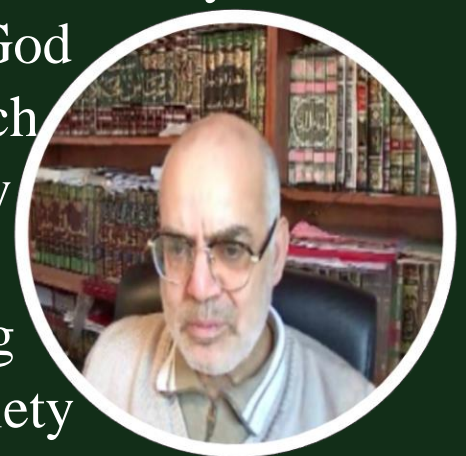
Professor Biazar Shirazi, the first president of the University of Islamic Religions and a member of World Forum of proximity of Islamic Schools of thoughts; started his speech with a verse from the Quran and then said about the importance of Quran: “Quran is a book that is sent to all

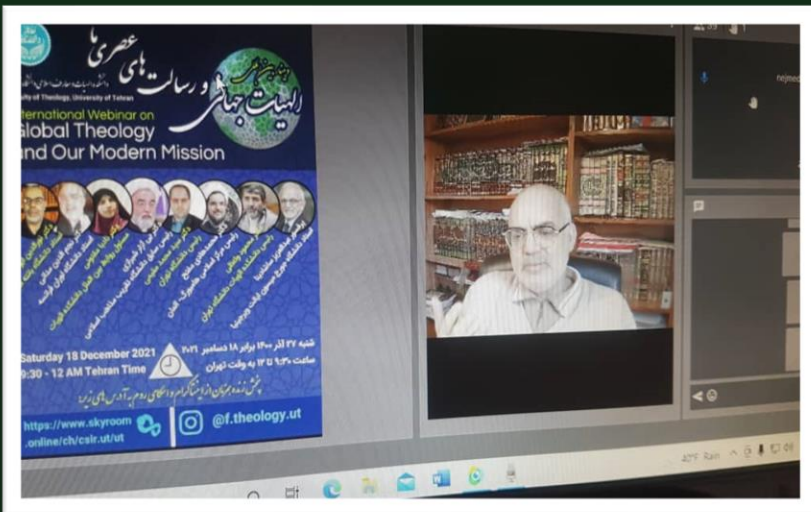


people. And its purpose is to bring religions closer together. The Prophet Muhammad had two miracles, the Quran and making unity between humans. From the beginning, when the Prophet established the constitution, he named it a single nation, which included Jews and Christians too. Muslims should defend monasteries, mosques and churches because the name of God is mentioned in all of them. In the Quran, God mentions Moses, Jesus, and Mary to teach us how to be united. What is emphasized in the Quran so much is to follow the religion and avoid division.

He adds that even in non-common points and when there is a dispute, we should have justice and he refers to the story of Imam Ali in the battle of Saffin.

Another participant in the conference, Professor Najmuddin Madani, a professor at the University of Lorraine in France, mentioned: Knowing God is either through reason or conscience which has been proved in terms of argument by philosophers and scholars. Proving God through conscience means to have a strong heart connection with God. Nowadays, society has taken away the strong connection of young people with God. And our great challenge is to restore theology. We should not underestimate this issues.





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