

The Role of Qur'anic Exegesis in Promoting Social Welfare: A Literature Review of The Implementation of Justice Values in The Holy Verses

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Abstract

The Role Of Qur'anic Exegesis In Promotion Social Welfare: A Literature Review Of The Implementation Of Justice Values In The Holy Verses. The Quran, as the primary guide in Islam, encompasses practical and spiritual guidance for daily life. This study focuses on the role of the interpretation (tafsir) of the Quran in enhancing social well-being, with a specific emphasis on the values of justice embedded in the sacred text. The research aims to describe the role of Qur'anic interpretation in improving justice and social well-being, contributing to a deeper understanding of the practical implementation of justice values in daily life based on Islamic teachings. The study employs a literature review approach to analyze scholars' interpretations of Qur'anic verses related to justice and social well-being. The literature review involves a profound understanding of various interpretations to illustrate the relationship between Qur'anic interpretation and justice values. The impacts include the formation of a more just society, enhanced moral character, and increased awareness of social issues. Qur'anic interpretation plays a crucial role in guiding the implementation of justice values to enhance social well-being. Despite challenges, involving the community through education and leveraging the role of religious leaders can be key to overcoming obstacles. By identifying and leveraging these opportunities, it is expected that the implementation of justice values based on Qur'anic interpretation can have a positive impact on society.

Introduction Section

The Quran, as the main tenetline in Islam, has a central role in providing guidance for the life of Muslims. Apart from being a spiritual guide, the Quran also holds practical directions covering various aspects of life, including social and economic ones (Masduki & Warsah, 2020). The study of the interpretation or interpretation of the Quran is a very relevant aspect to understand the application of Islamic religious values in everyday life.

The focus of this study lies on the role of Qur'anic interpretation in improving social welfare. Social welfare is a goal pursued by various societies, and the Qur'an as an Islamic religious guide provides views and guidance on how to achieve this welfare based on the values of justice.

The relationship between social welfare and the concept of justice on which Islamic teachings are based shows that the implementation of the values of justice contained in the holy verses of the Quran is the main focus that needs further research. Through a review of related literature, this study aims to describe in detail how Qur'anic interpretation plays an important role in improving justice and social welfare, as well as how these values can be applied in everyday life.

In the process of literature exploration, this research will dive into various interpretations and interpretations of scholars related to Qur'anic verses related to justice and social welfare. In this way, it is hoped that it can be clearly illustrated how the understanding of these holy verses can influence people's behavior and policies in achieving social welfare goals in accordance with Islamic teachings.

The purpose of this study is to contribute to a deeper understanding of the role of Qur'anic exegesis in shaping the values of justice and social welfare, as well as to provide a more comprehensive view of the practical implementation of Islamic teachings in a social context.

Method

The research approach in this article applies the literature study method by conducting a thorough analysis of the literature relevant to the research topic. This approach provides a solid framework for investigating the theoretical basis and previous research on the role of Qur'anic exegesis in promoting social welfare: a literature review of the implementation of justice values in the scriptures

Discussion

a. The Quran's Link to Social Welfare

The relationship between the Qur'an and social welfare illustrates the fundamental link between the teachings of Islam and the pursuit of prosperity in society. The Quran, as the primary guide for Muslims, provides direction and principles that support the development of a just, secure, and prosperous society (Nurjaman, 2020). In this regard, the verses of the Quran emphasize values such as justice, togetherness, and social care as very important foundations in achieving prosperity (Alim, 2023). For example, the Qur'an considers that the fair distribution of resources and equal treatment of all members of society are the main keys to achieving common prosperity.

In this context, the Quran not only provides individual ethical guidance, but also details social principles that can shape the structure of an inclusive and equitable society. These values have a crucial role in creating a social environment that supports economic growth, education, and health, which ultimately contributes greatly to overall social well-being.

The Qur'anic perspective on social welfare also includes spiritual and moral aspects (Ismail, 2015). The concepts of good relations between individuals, social responsibility, and concern for others are reinforced in the teachings of the Quran, forming a moral basis that adds value to the quality of social life (Rahman dkk., 2020). Thus, the Qur'an's interrelation with social welfare reflects that the tenets of Islam are not only relevant in the spiritual dimension, but also as a whole form the basis for the realization of a resilient, just, and prosperous society.

b. The Role of Tafsir Al-Quran

The role of Quranic exegesis involves a broad and significant dimension in understanding Islamic teachings, providing deep insight into the sacred text of the Quran that is the primary source for Muslims. Tafsir of the Quran not only provides linguistic explanations of the text, but also incorporates historical interpretations and contexts that help Muslims understand the meaning and application of the teachings in everyday life (Anisa & Khoiruddin, 2024).

Primarily, the role of Qur'anic exegesis lies in the function of understanding and explaining sacred texts in order to be interpreted correctly (Sunarsa, 2019). The mufasssir, or exegetes, have the important task of detailing the meaning and message contained in each verse of the Quran (Syakhrani & Ashidiqi, 2023). This helps Muslims understand Allah's teachings and instructions more clearly and deeply, so that they can be applied in various aspects of life.

Furthermore, the interpretation of the Quran also serves as a spiritual and ethical guide (Yusoff dkk., 2022). By detailing the verses of the Quran, tafsir helps Muslims understand the moral values, ethics, and principles of life contained in the sacred text. It forms the basis for the development of character and behavior in accordance with the teachings of Islam, supporting the formation of individuals and societies of good character.

The role of Qur'anic exegesis is also closely related to answering contemporary challenges. Along with the times, tafsir helps to link the teachings of the Quran with the realities of modern life (Hidayat, 2015). The mufasssir provides interpretation and application of Islamic teachings in the present context, guiding Muslims to face social, economic, and political challenges by referring to the values of the Quran.

Not only that, the interpretation of the Quran plays a role in facilitating intercultural and interreligious dialogue (Anurogo & Napitupulu, 2023). Through the interpretation of Quranic verses, tafsir opens the door to understanding the similarities and differences between Islamic thought and other thought, creating better understanding among different communities.

c. Implementation of Justice Values in the Holy Scriptures

The application of the principles of justice contained in the holy verses of the Quran becomes the main basis for the understanding and implementation of Islamic teachings in a social context. A firm and profound guide to the importance of justice in all aspects of life is revealed in the verses of the Qur'an. Justice, as a central value in Islamic teachings, is reflected in various forms and situations, including in the affairs of individuals as well as society.

First, the Quran highlights the principle of justice in the distribution of resources and possessions (Amelia dkk., 2023). The scriptures give direction on how to administer the equitable distribution of property rights and wealth among members of society. The concepts of zakat and almsgiving, emphasized in the Quran, are considered as means to achieve economic justice and reduce social inequality.

Furthermore, the verses of the Quran emphasize fair treatment of individuals and groups in various situations (Prianto, 2023). Islamic teachings affirm the importance of providing equal and non-discriminatory treatment to all individuals, regardless of ethnicity, color, or social status (Gozali, 2024). This principle is reflected in a number of verses that teach respect for human rights and social justice.

In the context of Islamic law (sharia), the Quran gives instructions regarding the exercise of justice in legal proceedings (Gallantry dkk., 2023). The scriptures affirm the urgency of giving appropriate punishment and fair treatment before the law. This principle encourages the creation of a legal system that emphasizes fairness and truth.

In addition, the Quran also highlights justice in social and political relations (Nurchaya & Akbarizan, 2023). The concepts of deliberation and justice in decision making, as well as the implementation of fair policies, are reflected in the scriptures. The hope is that the implementation of these values of justice can form a stable and prosperous society.

Overall, the application of the values of justice found in the holy verses of the Quran covers various dimensions of social life. This confirms that justice is not just a concept, but also a practical guideline that Muslim individuals and communities should apply in every aspect of their lives. The holy verses of the Quran become a rich source of inspiration to achieve justice in all aspects of life.

d. Impact of Implementation of Justice Values

Applying the principles of justice outlined in the tafsir of the Quran has a significant impact on daily life and can contribute positively to changes in social structure. By implementing the values of justice contained in the interpretation of the Quran, society has the potential to experience more just, equitable, and sustainable change.

The main impact of the implementation of the values of justice emphasized in the interpretation of the Qur'an is the establishment of a more just and balanced social environment (Fatihin, 2017). In this context, individuals in society are expected to apply justice in their interactions with others, including in economic, educational, and daily interactions. This is expected to create a harmonious atmosphere among community members and reduce inequality.

In addition, applying the values of justice in daily life can also strengthen moral and ethical principles (Romlah & Rusdi, 2023). Societies that refer to justice, as interpreted in Quranic commentaries, tend to have values such as integrity, honesty, and high social responsibility. This contributes to the formation of a strong character and forms a solid moral basis in society.

The application of justice values can also bring changes in people's mindsets and behaviors related to relevant social issues (Silitonga, 2020). Through a deep understanding of Quranic exegesis, society can become more sensitive to injustice and social inequality (Idris, 2022). Thus, they can be motivated to actively participate in efforts to improve and build a more equitable society.

In the context of changing social structures, applying the values of justice derived from the interpretation of the Quran can be a driver of positive change. Societies that prioritize justice tend to encourage the formation of more inclusive and equitable policies and regulations (Kusumawiranti, 2021). As a result, there can be changes in social structures that support equality and common well-being.

e. Challenges and Opportunities

The emergence of challenges in applying the values of justice based on the interpretation of the Quran can be caused by complex factors involving various social, cultural, and economic aspects. Some of the possible obstacles to implementing these principles of justice involve resistance to change, structural inequalities, and diverse interpretations of the Qur'anic text.

One of the main obstacles is resistance to change, especially if the application of the values of justice requires a transformation in a longstanding social or economic system (Takdir, 2018). People who are accustomed to certain structures may experience discomfort or uncertainty related to such changes (Prasetya dkk., 2021). Therefore, it is necessary to instill widespread awareness and support for the values of justice as a priority to overcome this resistance.

Structural inequalities, both in economic aspects and access to education and opportunities, can also be barriers (Khaerani, 2017). The implementation of justice requires a thorough effort to address existing disparities and ensure that all levels of society can benefit from such change (Sulaiman, 2021). Therefore, structural improvements and inclusive policies are needed so that the values of justice can permeate all levels of society.

Moreover, diverse interpretations of the text of the Quran can also be challenging. The existence of different understandings of certain verses can create differences of opinion in how to apply the values of justice in a practical context (*Urgensi Pembelajaran Pendidikan Agama Islam Berbasis Multikultural Di Sekolah | Jurnal Pendidikan Islam*, t.t.). Therefore, a dialogue and interdisciplinary approach involving scholars, scholars, and other stakeholders can help equalize perceptions and reach agreement regarding the implementation of justice values.

Despite a number of challenges, improvement opportunities are also available. Education and public awareness regarding the teachings of the Quran and the values of justice can be a strong foundation. A well-rounded education program can help build a better understanding of the concepts of justice in the Quran, so that people can be more engaged and support the implementation of those values.

In addition, the active involvement of religious and civil society leaders can be key to addressing the challenges of implementing justice values. Through cooperation and dialogue between various parties, more effective implementation strategies can be formulated and implemented. Encouraging community participation in the change process is also an important opportunity to ensure that the implementation of justice values reflects the needs and aspirations of the entire community.

By identifying challenges and seizing these opportunities, it is hoped that the implementation of justice values based on the interpretation of the Quran can be more effective and have a greater positive impact in creating a just, harmonious, and sustainable society.

Conclusion

Based on the discussion above, it can be concluded that the vital role of Qur'anic interpretation in guiding the implementation of justice values in order to improve social welfare. By understanding and practicing the teachings of the Quran, society has the potential to form a more just, balanced, and harmonious environment. The application of the principles of justice, including the distribution of resources, equal treatment, and legal justice, has a positive impact on changes in social structure.

The suggestion from this paper is the importance of increasing public awareness of the teachings of the Quran and the values of justice. A thorough education of the concept of justice in Islam can be a solid foundation for positive change. In addition, the active participation of religious and civil society leaders is considered crucial to overcome the challenges of implementing justice values. Thus, this collaborative effort is expected to be able to produce effective and sustainable changes in forming a just and prosperous society.

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