Nontraditional Sources of Seerah

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ABSTRACT

The primary sources of the Seerah of the Holy Prophet (S.A.W.S) are also named the traditional sources because they contain the original matter. All ancient and modern seerah writers are of the view that the original and decisive sources of the seerah are two: Qur'an amd Hadith. All the later seerah writers like Bladhuri, Yaqoobi, Mas'udi, Ibni Athīr, Ibn-i Kathīr, Mughlataī etc. are considered the mere reporters of the ancient Imams and take their most traditions from them. Their traditions ought to be taken for further affirmation. Some times we accept the traditions of the later writers because of being narrated from an original source. Although these are not the original sources but practically they are considered to be original. The nontraditional sources are categorized according to their topical analysis and division. article evaluates the traditional and nontraditional sources.

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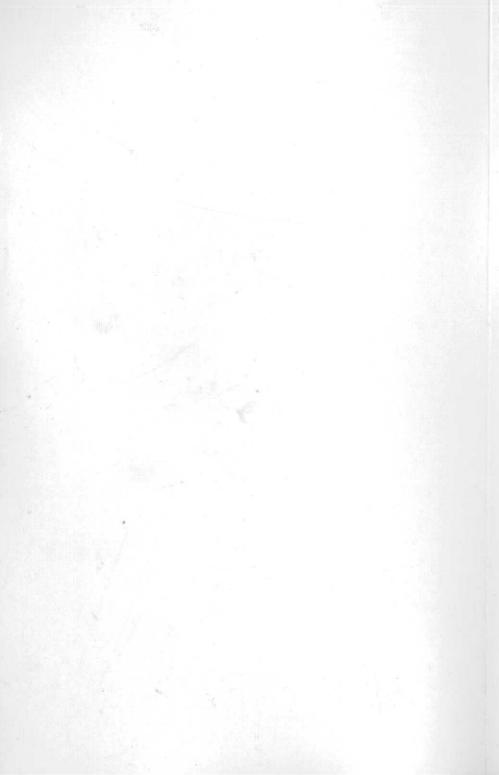
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