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PSYCHOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF RELIGIOUS ORIENTATION AND HUMANS ABNORMAL BEHAVIOR

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Objective: The study is to clarify psychological effects of two kinds of religious orientation (Extrinsic / Intrinsic) on tendency to addiction.

Method: Participants were 80 addicted people that attended in addiction treatment center. Alport's Religious Orientation Scale was administered on participants. Data analyzed with Chi Square formula.

Results: Analysis of data showed that eighty percent of addicted people are extrinsic religious oriented. Also seventy five percent of addicts were less educated and under high school.

Conclusion: Addicted with extrinsic religious orientation apply the religious to access their goals and when they do not access their goals, they disappointed, get anxiety and depression and try to make a defense about the event. The intrinsic religious oriented people tend to religious for developing in personality, life, attitude and cognition and like to reach the optimal goal that is cognition of God and this is a factor that makes hopeful and not disappointing from bad event and not reaching to goals. But in extrinsic religious oriented people, when they do not reach to goals, disappoint soon and want to make defense that one of the defense is addiction.