Roles Of Freedom Of Religion: In Supporting The Formation Of Openness Attitude Among The Southern Of Thailand Society

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Abstract

Freedom of religion, *al-Hurriyyah al-Diniyyah*, is the important principle that is rarely studied by the researchers. Freedom of religion is proven to be an important element in creating a peaceful life among the religious believers by expressing the openness attitude towards the other believers. Therefore, this study is focusing on the relationship between freedom of religion and the open attitude in terms of theory and practicel among the religious believers especially in the Southern Thailand society. For that reason, the combination of qualitative and quantitative methods was applied in the study. The findings show there is a significant relationship between the understanding of the freedom of religion and the openness attitude of both religious believers towards the other religious believers. That relationship holds a positive level as higher level of the understanding of freedom of religion will result in higher level of the open attitude among the religious believers.
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