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Text Coherence in Stories of Jesus

(peace be upon him)

in Quran

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In this study entitled, "Text Coherence in Stories of Jesus (peace be upon him) in Quran", the researcher tries to investigate a new field of linguistics to discover the miracles of the Quran .As there is no a complete theory of this science, the researcher depended on a theoretical approach .Through depending on that approach, the researcher tried to benefit from the other researchers' views who wrote in this field. Then, the researcher applied this approach to the stories of Jesus-peace be upon him-in Quran.

This research consists of an introduction, a preface, five chapters and a conclusion. The introduction includes demonstration of the topic, the reasons for selecting it, the method of tackling it, the previous studies and the research elements and content .The preface includes declaring the text and showing the syntax of the text and some of its issues .In addition, the researcher deals with the term "Cohesion" and the symbols of the study. The researcher also shows the pivotal characters in the story.

The first chapter is considered the main source of an idea which is that Quran is only one text. Thus, the researcher considered that the verses of the story- distributed in the Quran verses-as one great text consisting of a number of sub-texts. Those sub-texts are the positions of the story in Quran .After that, the researcher analyzed these texts to their minor components which are the sentences. The researcher managed -through this methodological basis- to give each sentence in the text a serial number.

The second chapter is about "reference" and its role in the text Cohesion of the story. This chapter consists of four sections. The first one deals with the reference issue. Then, the other four ones are about the structure of reference in one text of the story texts. The researcher chose only three texts and the reason for choosing them -rather than others- is declared. In addition, the researcher showed the reference structure of these texts. Through searching, it was found that the intensity of the reference connectors and

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then the intensity level of text Cohesion. Those three texts were taken from six hundred and seventy two reference elements.

The third chapter is about "ellipsis" in the story verses and its effect on the text Cohesion. This chapter consists of five sections and a commentary. The first section is about the ellipsis issues according to the ancient and the modern . The other four sections are an application of the story verses. The second section is about the noun ellipsis, the third section is about the verb ellipsis, the fourth section is about the particles' ellipsis and the last one is about the ellipsis of sentences and scenes. In addition, the commentary is about the most important observed points related to the ellipsis patterns in the story verses.

The fourth chapter is about "junction" and its effect on the story text Cohesion. This chapter consists of three sections. The first section deals with the junction issues. It includes the concept of junction and how the ancient and the modern dealt with it. Also, it shows two main kinds of junction which are junction through an article and the direct junction (without an article). Then, each one was illustrated separately in an applied section. The article junction was in the second section and the direct junction was in the third section.

The fifth chapter is about "repetition" and its effect on the story text Cohesion. This chapter consists of three sections .The first section is about the repetition issues and its definition by the ancient and the modern. Moreover, the researcher provided his view and suggested a suitable definition. The researcher also showed the benefits of repetition and its kinds. These kinds reach to sixteen kinds in the story verses and product about one thousand Cohesion relationships. Those kinds are divided into two main categories: the repetition in one text and the repetition in more than one text .Each category is discussed in a separate section.

The conclusion is about the most important research findings.