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The Personality of Al-Mutawakkil in the Poetry of Ibn Al-Jahm and Al-Buhturi: A Comparative Artistic Study

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Abstract

This study examined the characteristics of the Abbasid caliph "Al-Mutawakkil on Allah" (247 AII) via the poetry of two of the most well-known Arabic poets, "Abu Ubadah Al-Buhturi" (284 AII) and "Ali bin Al-Jahm" (249 AH).

Employing a descriptive and analytical comparative approach. The research was divided into two sections: the first was objective and focused on identifying the themes and interpretations that cach poet offered regarding the character of «Al-Mutawakkil»>, while the second section addressed the creative side of those interpretations by discussing the processes of formulation and patterns of poetic formation in the poets' colleges.

Thus, the study attempted to reveal each poet's vision to Mamdouha (Al-Mutawakkil), as well as to show, to the greatest extent possible, the places of distinction and uniqueness of each poet, as well as how to form their poetic images and the sources from which they received, and then detail in the description of the structural, narrative, and rhythmic structure in the poets' colleges. The study concluded with a summary of the key findings, followed by a list of sources and references.