



## The Manifestation of Ṣabr (Patience) in Mystical Exegesis

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### Abstract

*Ṣabr* (patience) is one of the most fundamental ethical and spiritual concepts in Islamic teachings, which plays a vital role in human spiritual development. This concept holds a lofty position not only within the domains of *Sharī'ah* and theology but also in the profound depths of mystical teachings, where it is recognized as one of the essential *maqāmāt* (spiritual stations) on the path toward God (*ṭarīq ilā Allāh*). The present article aims to provide a comprehensive examination of *ṣabr* from the perspective of major mystical exegesis, including *Ibn 'Arabī's Tafṣīr*, *Makhzan al-'Irfān fī Tafṣīr al-Qur'ān*, *Rūḥ al-Bayān*, *Bayān al-Sa'ādah*, *Laṭā'if al-Ishārāt*, and *Kashf al-Asrār*. The main research question is: "How have mystical exegetes explained, categorized, and interpreted the concept of patience in Quranic instances, and what are the differences between their approaches?"

The significance of this study lies in unveiling the deeper, esoteric dimensions of *ṣabr* beyond its lexical and outward meanings, thereby offering a more holistic understanding of the status of this virtue in the mystical journey (*sulūk*).

This research seeks to fill the gap in the lack of researches that focuses solely on the inward and spiritual (mystical) dimensions of the concept of *ṣabr*. By clarifying the hidden and deeper dimensions of patience, beyond its lexical and outward meanings, and presenting a more complete picture of the status of this virtue in mystical journey, this research distinguishes itself from purely ethical or jurisprudential studies and fills the gap of the inward and epistemic approach.

Through a "thematic classification of *ṣabr* in mystical exegesis", this study introduces

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