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[Adhere to it], turning in repentance to Him, and fear Him and establish prayer and do not be of those who associate others with Allah. [Or] of those who have divided their religion and become sects, every faction rejoicing in what it has.

(QS. Ar-Rum 31-32)

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abides forever.

(I John, Chapter 2:15-17, KJV)

They said belief in Holy Books or Scriptures, but deciding every cases by using Law of Nations.

(Abdul, Writer)

The children of Adam are limbs of each other

Having been created of one essence.

When the calamity of time afflicts one limb

The other limbs cannot remain at rest.

If thou hast no sympathy for the troubles of others

Thou art unworthy to be called by the name of a man.

(Sa'adi Shirazi, Persian poet)

ABSTRACT

Kurds, internationally, is recognized as one of ethnics in Middle East who has been living for a long time with their nomadic lifestyle. Kurdistan itself came as the dream of independent land for all Kurds. Unfortunately, this concept was only an imagination. Their struggle into their dream was faced by the failures since the beginning of their movements in 20th century. Turkey, Iran, Iraq, and Syria are places for them to live now and those governments have already become the subject of Kurdish struggle. During World War I and II, Kurdish elites and Aga tried to consolidate their movement by establishing Kurdish parties.

In Iran, Kurds struggled to have their own land where self-rule or self-government guaranteed for them was done for the first time. In fact, every movement of Kurds has never come to the victory in Iran. In line with their movements' condition, Iranian regime tended more to do arbitrarily toward Kurdish existence and identity. Discrimination over discrimination toward Kurds happen in almost every aspect of lives, like in politics, economic, culture, education, and social, until today. In 2004, *Partiya Jiyana Azad a Kurdistane* (PJAK) existed to answer the discrimination toward Iranian Kurds' identity and their elites toward government's policies. Moreover, their presence as Kurdish national party movement in Iran will continue the struggling of separatist Kurdish people in Iran.

Key words: Iran, Kurds, Kurdish movement, separatism, *Partiya Jiyana Azad a Kurdistane* (PJAK).

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