

**The dialogue and its role in consolidating the principles of peaceful coexistence
(Christian-Islamic dialogue as a model)**

Dina Mohammed Al Kurdi

M.A. Researcher- Comparative religions

Abstract:

Dialogue is one of the basic facts of human existence. There are the educational, raising up, cultural and civilized types of dialogues. All these types require to connect with others, who are different intellectually, socially or religiously, it is the only method of communication between individuals, groups, countries and nations allowing the human civilizations progress.

Dialogue is of extreme importance in clarifying the true image of the other party point of view, especially in the scientific purposeful dialogue that doesn't involve fanaticism and extremism.

Dialogue is the first and fundamental step toward peaceful coexistence in societies, that can be defined as respect, acceptance and appreciation of the cultural, religious and intellectual diversity among individuals. This definition means, above all a positive attitude in acknowledging the right of others to enjoy their rights and freedom.

The purpose of this research is to highlight the importance of religious dialogue in consolidating the principles of peaceful coexistence in multi-religious societies. Through the following points:

- 1- The linguistic and idiomatic definition of dialogue.
- 2- The legality of the dialogue in the New Testament and the Quran.
- 3- The importance of dialogue and its conditions.
- 4- Christian-Muslim dialogue and its role in consolidating the principles of peaceful coexistence in society.