

Christian apocalyptic texts in Islamic messianic discourse: the 'Christian chapter' of the Javidan-nama-yi kabir by Fadl Allah Astarabadi (d. 796/1394)

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Abstrak

In *Christian Apocalyptic Texts in Islamic Messianic Discourse* Orkhan Mir Kasimov offers an account of the interpretation of these Christian texts by Fadl Allah Astarabadi (d. 796/1394), the founder of a mystical and messianic movement which was influential in medieval Iran and Anatolia. This interpretation can be situated within the tradition of positive Muslim hermeneutics of the Christian and Jewish scriptures which was particularly developed in Shi'i and especially Ismaili circles. Fadl Allah incorporates the Christian apocalyptic texts into an Islamic eschatological context, combining them with Quran and hadith material. In addition to an introductory study, the book contains a critical edition and an English translation of the relevant passages from Fadl Allah's magnum opus, the *Javidan nama-yi kabir*.