

## INSAN KAMIL: THEOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES

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### ABSTRACT

*Insān Kāmil* is the symbol of one in attaining the perfect soul to reach the wonderful place in the eyes of Allah. Allah has sent a Prophet as a role model for man. All his life and very aspects of life he engaged in have been recorded or written by his companions. The concept of Perfect Man (*al-Insān al-Kāmil*) has been developed in many ways in Islamic thought. In a layman term (*‘awwÉm*), Perfect Man indicates simply the highest type of human being, personified in the Prophet Muġammad, whose moral standard and action was correspond with Qur’Énic teachings. But, in the highest level, the idea relates to ontologically and cosmology also in the theology perspectives as proposed by the classic scholars like Ibn ‘ArabĒ, Al-JĒĒ, Imam Al-GhazzĒĒ and so forth. In addition, there is also a term used by the psychological humanistic approach which externally resembles almost the same meaning with the term. In Islam, the clear way and guidance has been served for youngster to follow in order to portrait such good example in personality and human aspect of life. The youth have been presented by a role model who is known as *Insān Kāmil* that they can follow and imitate. In the realization of this matter, this paper will study about the definitions and concepts Insan Kamil by Muslim educators through theological and psychological perspective and applied a concept of *Insān Kāmil* in the development of youth.

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