

ABSTRACT
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“Representation of the concepts “Debt and Duty” in the context of
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Research topic: “Representation of the concepts “Debt and Duty” in the context of language and religion”.

The aim of the research: To analyze the content, structure and linguistic representation of the contexts “debt and duty” in the linguistic aspect within the framework of the anthropocentric paradigm in the context of language and religion and to determine the conceptual content of the concepts “debt and duty” in the space of language and religion.

Research objectives: According to the purpose of the study, the following tasks were set:

- to identify the humanistic and moral significance, the features of meaning and use, the indicator of the spiritual value of the concepts of “debt and duty” in the relationship between language and religion;

- to determine the frames, semantic components and logical models of the concepts of “debt and duty” in the unity of language and religion, as well as to explore the spiritual essence of the ethnos and its linguo-cognitive, ethno-linguistic features;

- to define the lexical-semantic groups of the concepts of debt and duty, to show their internal structural and content features and to describe their spiritual-cultural, humanistic-moral, suggestive characteristics;

- to analyze linguo-cognitive, linguo-cultural, ethno-linguistic, axiological characteristics of the concepts of “debt and duty” in poetic figurative texts in linguo-cognitive and linguo-philosophical aspects.

Research methods: In the process of collecting material based on the unity of language and religion, the methods of systematization, grouping, classification, description were used; in the process of determining the content of the concept - the method of conceptual analysis; methods of interpretation, comparison of the contexts of language and religion, comparison, descriptions, explanations.

The main findings of the dissertation to be defended:

1. The humanistic-moral significance of the concepts “debt and duty” in the context of language and religion manifests itself in the form of subjective and objective obligations (categories of extraversion and introversion), and the concepts “debt and duty”, with their peculiarities of shades of meaning and spheres of use in the semantic aspect, are units in the human mind, consisting of numerous cognitive indicators and having suggestive characteristics, conditional meaning and moral value.

2. The spiritual value of the concepts “debt and duty” shows on the basis of such frames in the life of an ethnic group as “civil responsibility”, “personal obligation”, “unwritten law”, “pangs of conscience”, “honor”, “human responsibility” and on the basis of such frames of religious knowledge as “the favor of God”, “the will of Allah”,

“Sharia law” and “religious obligation”, that the religious knowledge of an ethnos is connected with its spiritual essence in linguo-cognitive units.

3. It is revealed that from the language units “mindet”, “borysh”, “nesie” and the phrasal verbs with “alu/beru” in the lexical-semantic content of the concepts “debt and duty”, the semantics of the lexeme “borysh” is used equally with the concept “debt and duty”, the lexeme “mindet” is a part of the concept “duty”, and the language units “nesie” and the phrasal verbs with “alu/beru” are included in the structure of the concept “debt”, and their differential features in the meaning content are determined.

4. The concepts of “debt and duty” are verbalized in poetic texts in ethnolinguistic, linguocultural, axiological, cognitive aspects, and one can see in their semantic, cognitive side the main humanistic-moral binary pairs (turning debt into duty and duty into debt), and in material-objective space – concepts with a dominant spiritual meaning, having their own (oppositional) features.

The scientific novelty is defined by the following :

– in Kazakh linguistics, for the first time, the semantic-content and cultural-cognitive aspects of the concepts of "duty and obligation" in the context of language and religion are considered in a comprehensive and special way;

– the concepts of “debt and duty” in the context of language and religion are analyzed in the ethnolinguistic and linguocognitive aspect, the features of their lexico-semantic content are determined;

– ethnoculturological, ethnolinguistic features of the concepts “debt and duty” in the ethnic knowledge of the Kazakh people are revealed and spiritual and cultural, humanistic-moral, axiological qualitative characteristics of the concepts “debt and duty” in language texts are shown;

– Spiritual-cultural, humanistic-moral, suggestive, structural-content models and stylistic-pragmatic features of the concepts of “debt and duty” in language and religion are defined.

Justification of the novelty and significance of the results obtained:

As an object of study, the features of the representation of the concept of “debt and duty” in the context of language and religion are selected and analyzed in the field of the anthropocentric paradigm. The study contributes to the improvement of the theoretical and practical content of the branches of the anthropocentric paradigm in Kazakh linguistics and to the formation of the theoretical base of theolinguistics. The materials and results of the study can be used to write textbooks and teaching aids, as well as in theoretical and practical, seminar classes in such subjects of universities as ethnolinguistics, linguoculturology, linguoaxiology, cognitive linguistics, theolinguistics, mytholinguistics, introduction to religious studies, history of religion.

– the concepts of “debt and duty” in the context of language and religion were first considered in Kazakh linguistics, and the semantic-content, cultural-cognitive aspects of the concepts were analyzed from a linguo-cognitive, linguo-philosophical point of view;

– an analysis of the etymology of the lexemes “debt and duty” was carried out, the features of the linguistic and religious meaning of these lexemes were considered;

– on the basis of concepts, the relationship between the concepts of debt and duty in the Kazakh traditional culture with religious concepts, as well as their ethnic characteristics and national value, is shown;

– structural and semantic units of the concepts “debt and duty” are identified and the views of the Kazakh people on “the picture of the world” are determined, as well as semantic, cultural, cognitive, suggestive characteristics in linguistic and poetic texts.

Compliance of the obtained results with the directions of development of science and state programs:

The main idea of the study contributes to the improvement of the theoretical and practical content of the branches of the anthropocentric paradigm in Kazakh linguistics and to the formation of the theoretical base of theolinguistics, ethnolinguistics, linguoculturology and other areas. The main practical conclusions of the dissertation, its results and language materials (language and religious texts, materials describing the components of the concept) can be used in the educational process for the training of specialists. The results comply with the requirements aimed at solving the problems specified in the State obligatory standard for all levels of education, approved by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and in other state regulatory and legal documents, as well as the Law “On Education” of the Republic of Kazakhstan in connection with the development of educational systems and with the training of competitive specialists.

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