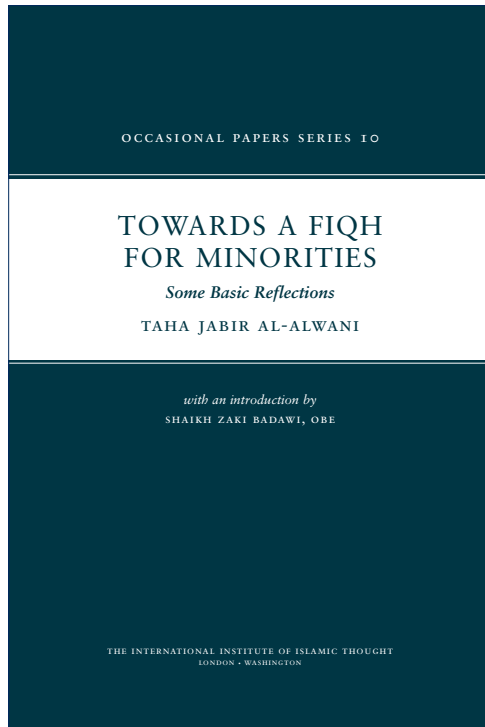


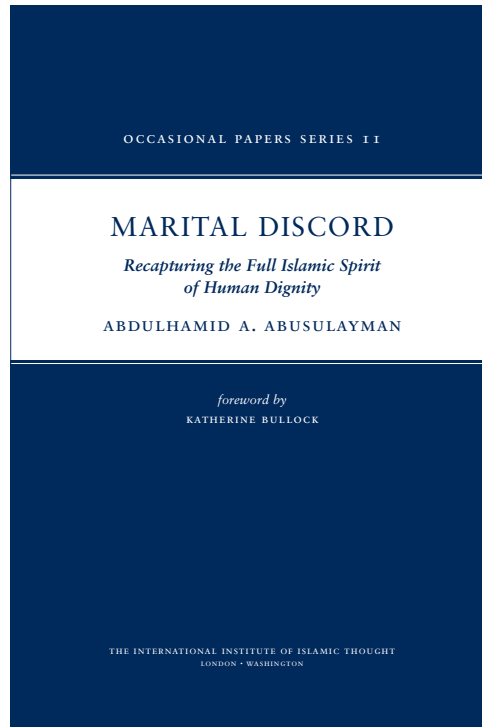
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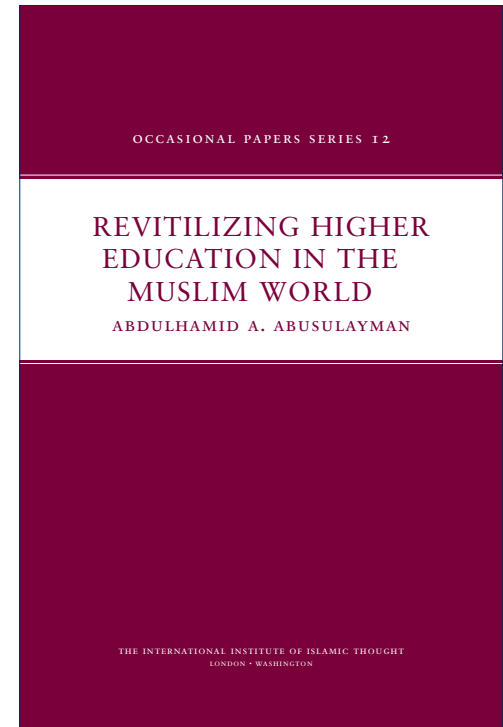
Towards a Fiqh for Minorities is a timely and important subject and a long awaited contribution to an area of fiqh that has become essential for the well being and development of Muslim communities living in the West. The author stresses that the problems of Muslim minorities can only be tackled with a fresh juristic vision based on the principles, objectives and higher values of the Qur'an in conjunction with the ultimate aims and intents (maqasid) of the Shariah. A must read.



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