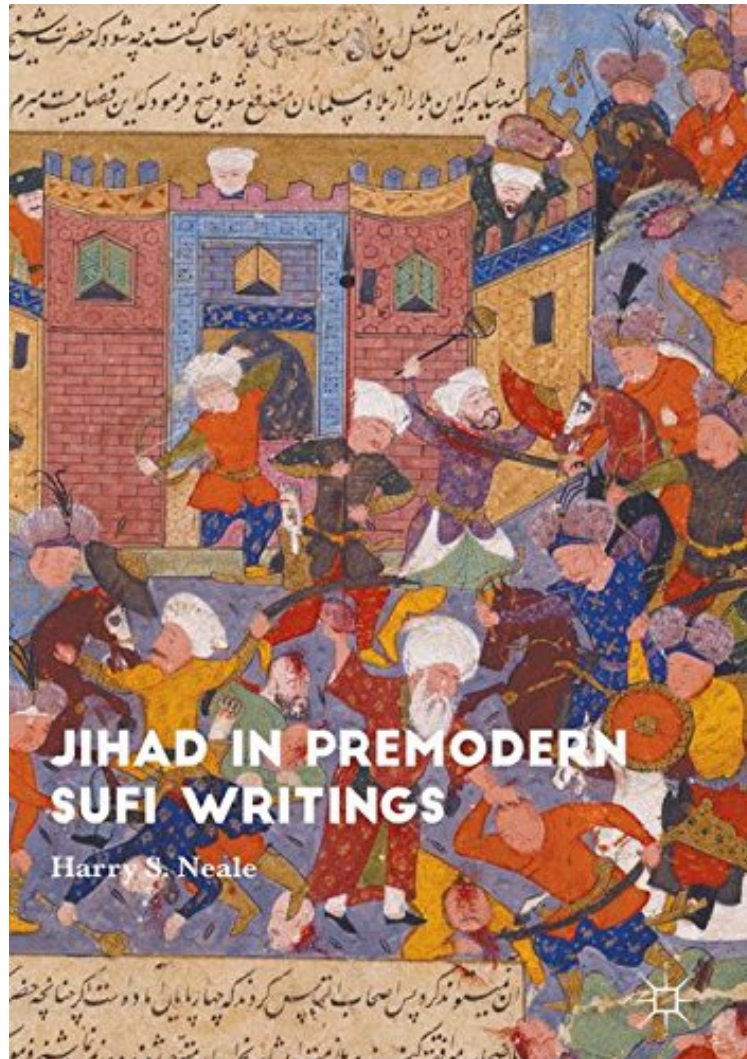


Jihad in Premodern Sufi Writings

Harry S Neale

DOC | *audiobook | ebooks | Download PDF | ePub



[Download](#)

[Read Online](#)

#3372777 in Books 2016-12-02Original language:EnglishPDF # 1 8.30 x .60 x 6.001, .0 #File Name: 1137567481168 pages | File size: 53.Mb

Harry S Neale : Jihad in Premodern Sufi Writings before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Jihad in Premodern Sufi Writings:

This book is the only comprehensive study in a European language that analyzes how Sufi treatises, Quranic commentary, letters, hagiography, and poetry define and depict jihad. Harry S. Neale analyzes Sufi jihad discourse in Arabic and Persian texts composed between the eleventh and seventeenth centuries, providing access to many writings that have hitherto been unavailable in English. Despite the diversity of practice within Sufism that existed throughout

the premodern period, Sufi writings consistently promulgated a complementary understanding of jihad as both a spiritual and military endeavor. Neale discusses the disparity between contemporary academic Sufi jihad discourse in European languages, which generally presents Sufis as peaceful mystics, and contemporary academic writing in Arabic that depicts Sufis as exemplary warriors who combine spiritual discipline with martial zeal. The book concludes that historically, Sufi writings never espoused a purely spiritual interpretation of the doctrine of jihad.

From the Back Cover This book is the only comprehensive study in a European language that analyzes how Sufi treatises, Quranic commentary, letters, hagiography, and poetry define and depict jihad. Harry S. Neale analyzes Sufi jihad discourse in Arabic and Persian texts composed between the eleventh and seventeenth centuries, providing access to many writings that have hitherto been unavailable in English. Despite the diversity of practice within Sufism that existed throughout the premodern period, Sufi writings consistently promulgated a complementary understanding of jihad as both a spiritual and military endeavor. Neale discusses the disparity between contemporary academic Sufi jihad discourse in European languages, which generally presents Sufis as peaceful mystics, and contemporary academic writing in Arabic that depicts Sufis as exemplary warriors who combine spiritual discipline with martial zeal. The book concludes that historically, Sufi writings never espoused a purely spiritual interpretation of the doctrine of jihad.