The Personality of Patriarch Nicholas I the Mystic of Constantinople and his Work

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Abstract

Patriarch Nicholas I, also called the Mystic, was a leading religious figure of the tenth century. Our historical study is constructed with three parts, namely *The Life of Patriarh Nicholas, The Writings* and *Conclusions* or *The Importance of Patriarch Nicholas I in the context of its time*. The written work of Patriarch Nicholas I is not a complex one, but it is a critical analysis of hi stime. Also, within it, Patriarch Nicholas I left us an image with the issues of the Church in which Constantinople was involved. The way he led the Church in this period of great trials for Byzantine society, his involvement in state affairs, all these made Patriarch Nicholas I the Mystic to be unique in Church history.