Relationship between Perceived Parenting Style, Perceived Parental Acceptance-Rejection (PAR) and Perception of God among Young Adults

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The present study aimed to identify relationship between perceived parenting style, perceived parental acceptancerejection (PAR) and perception of God among young adults. Participants were young males and females (N= 50 each) of Rawalpindi, Pakistan who completed three protocols, Perception of God Inventory, Parental Authority Questionnaire and Parental Acceptance-Rejection (PARQ: Adult version). Maternal authoritarian perceived parenting was found to be positively related with authoritarian perception of God in males whereas paternal authoritarian perceived parenting was negatively related with friendly perception of God in females. Perceived paternal authoritative parenting was positively related with friendly perception of God in males and perceived maternal permissive parenting was negatively related with protective perception of God in males. Further, overall perceived parental rejection (mothers & father) was negatively related with benevolent and protective perception of God. There was a negative relationship between the perceived hostility/aggressive, parental indifference/neglect, undifferentiated rejection and the benevolent, friendly and protective perception of God.

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