




Explaining the Structural Model of Marital Satisfaction Based on Spirituality with the Mediating Role of Happiness in Married Women

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

This paragraph could be strengthened by integrating more recent global statistics on marital dissatisfaction or divorce trends to justify the continued relevance of this topic.

Please clarify if this refers to spirituality as a clinical intervention or as a naturally occurring personal resource. The conceptual boundary is important for theoretical clarity.

A sample size of 120 is not typically considered large for SEM, particularly when testing models with multiple latent variables and indicators. Please justify this claim or revise accordingly.

The AVE value for marital satisfaction is 0.517, which is only slightly above the minimum cutoff. Discuss this more critically, especially in terms of potential issues with item loadings.

The authors conclude no multicollinearity based on $VIF < 10$, which is technically correct, but it would be more appropriate to use a stricter threshold (e.g., $VIF < 5$) in psychological research. Consider addressing this.

The discussion should interpret the practical implications of the significant path from spirituality to happiness to marital satisfaction. For instance, how might this influence couple counseling?

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

This definition is presented without a scholarly reference. Please provide a source, or reframe it using a well-established theoretical model (e.g., Pargament's theory of spirituality).

The last paragraph of the introduction poses a research question but lacks an explicit hypothesis. Please clearly state the study's hypothesis to align with standard SEM reporting protocols.

The reporting of skewness and kurtosis is helpful, but the authors should also provide justification for assuming multivariate normality or clarify that PLS-SEM does not require it.

This is a vague summary of model results. Please include specific path coefficients and R^2 values for each endogenous variable for scientific clarity.

While the mediation effect is statistically significant, it would be valuable to report the direct effect of spirituality on marital satisfaction (with coefficients and p-values) to clarify whether the mediation is partial or full.

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

2. Revised

Editor's decision after revisions: Accepted.

Editor in Chief's decision: Accepted.