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Abstract

This study is divided into an introduction, preface, six chapters and the conclusion. Finally, the study is appended with two appendixes, many tables and illustration pictures.

-**Introduction:** shows the reason of choosing this thesis, the scientific method which was taken by the researcher in his study, the most important previous studies and references related to this subject.

-**Preface:** « entrance to the afterlife », deals a brief hint about the oldest religious books in the appearance, which are "Pyramid texts", "Coffin texts" and Book of the dead.

-**Chapter one:** « the book of Amduat - its origination and development », deals history of origin of the book and its different appearance forms, but deals also the naming, introduction of the book, the general structure of component it, the most important features of its development in the new kingdom and distribution of its hours on the walls of tombs of valley of kings.

- **Chapter two:** « study and publish the earliest royal copy of the Amduat book - the tomb of king Thutmose I », deals the first development stages of the book through the studying of the earliest royal copy, which was found in tombs of King Thutmose I and Queen Hatshepsut, as it touched on finding the oldest fragments of plaster that were discovered by the researcher.

- **Chapter three:** «Book of litany of Re» (the development of the concept of night journey through texts and forms) », speaks about studying« litany of Re» in terms naming, the book's introduction and the most important forms of component it and The most important development features of the book within the walls of the tombs of the Valley of the kings.

- **Chapter four:** «the development of attributes of book «heavenly Cow» (publishing and studying scene of heavenly Cow from the new kingdom Ostraca: CG 25019, and from the Late Period papyrus: JE 29675) », deals book of «heavenly Cow », The most important features of its development.

-**Chapter five:** « Afterlife's books that appeared at the end of the 18th Dynasty until the end of new kingdom », this chapter speaks about studying the various books of afterlife that have emerged since the end of the Eighteenth Dynasty until the end of new kingdom and the distribution of parts and hours of these books on the walls of valley of king's tombs .

- **Chapter six:** «Development of afterlife's books at the Late Period» ,contains publish and study of some coffins from the Late Period and the aspects of comparison between them, the texts and similar scenes at the new kingdom and also re-study two papyri from the Late Period.

- **Conclusion:** contains the most important results of this study.