

Love and Belief in a Just World and Marital Commitment in Financial Infidelity in Iranian Couples

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The introduction lacks a clear definition of "financial infidelity." Adding a precise definition early on would help set the stage for your study.

"In summary, less honesty about financial issues may have consequences for couples in romantic relationships." This sentence is somewhat vague. Specify the types of consequences and provide supporting citations.

"In this study, the value of Cronbach's alpha was estimated for self-sacrificing love (0.96), playful love (0.77), friendly love (0.66), realistic love (0.67), erotic love (0.70), and romantic love (0.77)." Provide a brief interpretation of these Cronbach's alpha values and their implications for the study.

"Descriptive statistics (i.e., frequencies, mean, percentages, and standard deviations) were used to describe the data." It would be beneficial to include specific statistical methods used for inferential statistics.

"Demographic findings demonstrated that..." Consider adding a table summarizing the demographic characteristics for clarity.

The correlation matrix should include significance levels for all correlations to aid in interpretation.

"The results revealed that the model did not have a proper fit." This statement needs more detail. Explain what fit indices were used and the threshold values for determining model fit.

Authors revised the manuscript.

1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

"The type, amount, and method of this infidelity differ from individual to individual." This statement would benefit from specific examples or scenarios to illustrate the variability in financial infidelity.

The paragraph discusses the lack of research on financial infidelity but does not sufficiently highlight the study's unique contributions. Clearly state how this study fills the identified research gaps.

The description of the sampling method needs more detail. Specify how participants were randomly selected and any stratification used.

"The participants included 253 (84.3%) women and 47 (15.7%) men." Discuss the potential impact of this gender imbalance on the study's findings.

The description of the questionnaire should include more information on its validity and reliability in different populations, not just the ones cited.

The figure caption should provide more detail about the contents of the figure, including the sample size and key variables.

"The results of the present research study confirmed the effect of the components of belief in a just world on marital commitment." Compare these findings with previous research to provide context and support your discussion.

"In other words, from among the love styles, only the romantic love style could increase the marital commitment of couples." This statement would benefit from a deeper exploration of why other love styles did not have a significant effect.

"Another finding of this study indicated the negative effect of marital commitment on financial infidelity." Discuss potential mechanisms or theories that might explain this relationship.

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2. Revised

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