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Hans SCHWARZ, Science and Theological Interpretations of Scripture (From Barth and Bultmann to Welker and Theissen)

Whereas the dialogue between Christianity and the natural sciences in North America and Britain enjoyed an uninterrupted history, the attacks mounted by Germans Hegelians on the religion made such a dialogue there very difficult. As a reaction, theology concentrated upon the spiritual side of humanity. Barth was opposed to such a dialogue, seeing science and theology as parallel and for Bultmann, God was the wholly other. The paradigm shift from this type of attitude to that of Theissen is analysed, where evolution can be regarded both as a means for "accommodating the multiplicity of our experiences" and monotheism seen as a form of resistance to the principle of selection.

Jörg WEBER, Divine Mystagogy as Font of the Ecumenical Identity of the Church:

Perspectives of Christian Spirituality within German Society

The mystagocial identity of the Church, her image in so far as she is generated by sacred theology in a contemplation of her own divine personality and essence, is the sole mechanism through which we can find our own personal identity. The Church was seduced by the spirit of the Antichrist, leading to fragmentation and a plethora of Church mentalities. This paper rejects the preference for a specific denomination and argues in favour of oneness and the cessation of cult reasoning as a means of paving the way for a sacred mystagogy, which alone can beget the Church from the authypostatic grace of Jesus.

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Romania has been, for more than two thousand years ago, a part of Europe. Already in the first centuries of the Christian era, the Judeo-Christian and the Greco-Roman culture entered the territory between the Danube and Black Sea (the former Thrace and Dacia). So Patriarch Justinian could naturally say : « The Romanian people was born as Latin and Christian alike. » After many personal experiences and encounters during the last 40 years, I can testify that Romania truly was a bridge between diverse ethnical groups and cultures in Europe (Romanian, Germanic, Slavic, Hungarian).

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This article adress the issue of the biblical flood from a traditional theological perspective. It also take into account the modern biblical criticism on the subject as well as the parallels

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