

Variations in FT

From logic to method

ie logic as grounding ideal of permanent system

method as grounding ideal of ongoing succession of ever better sy
foundational function of right first premisses
foundational function of method itself: what scientist really
relies on

The turn to the human subject

metaphysical statements as logically first

cognitional operations as methodically first

from concepts to insights of the self-evident,
objectivity as the fruit of immediacy, of necessary truths

objectivity as the fruit of authentic subjectivity

from the intellectual to the personal

questions for reflection sublate answers for intelligence

questions for deliberation sublate answers for reflection

love as the effective ground of realizing values

realizing values as the effective ground of pursuing truth

pursuing truth as the effective ground of trying to understand

trying to understand as the effective ground of attention to data

love in encounter, in the community, the ongoing community, history

Dialectic and horizon

horizon: in general, what is beyond horizon is what one does
know about and still less does one care about it

succession of horizons: infancy, early language, practical
religious development,

development of l., literary development of l., systematic
artistic d.,

development, scientific, scholarly, interiority

dialectic: the inadequacy of common sense; its successive
corrections by differentiations of consciousness which
yield new horizons

obstacles: failures to attend, to understand, to reflect,
to deliberate, to love

surmounting obstacles: inverse: love then deliberate then
reasonable then intelligent then attentive

dialectic to dialogue: since love is the key, the inter-
personal situation embodying incarnating alternatives of
dialectic are the concrete expression of dialectic open
to love

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with progress

but
I think
not identical

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Latourelle

What was FT

Reasonableness of faith a) in facto esse, b) in fieri

Bouillard: dialogic, from within faith, to those outside

Apologetics

I Pet, Apologists, Irenaeus, Tert., Hipp., Epiphanius, Aug
Interdenom controversies, Enlightenment, Atheism (Condor. Feuerbach)

DAFC, Faith and FAct, Broadcast answers

deals in commonsense fashion with particular current issues

sets forth issues currently raised

assumes what would be commonly assumed

seeks to be persuasive on this basis

FT: organized procedure in cumulative succession of stages

Cahill: Perrone

Gregorian, 40 yrs ago: de vera religione, div leg, eccl., inspirat

key distinction: fact and content of revelation

content of revelation: presupposes faith, spnt

fact of revelation: not necessarily ^{revelation of} spnt, Trinity, Incarn, Or Sin S cr

tailored to question: reasonableness of faith in fieri

essentially logical minds: (tailored to them too)

arguing objectively to objective institution

not testimony of SpS on meaning of SScr: turning to Gpd

but God's miracles and prophecies pointing out divine legate

= God was in Xt reconciling world unto himself

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From logical to methodical ideal

Rahner Schriften VI

TI VI 114: increasing specialization; no ground for a judgement that is both objective and personal

115: exegete might, dogmatic theol, Rahner himself, cannot make scientific judgement on exact meaning of Mt 16 18

117: student cannot be 'an expert on Jewish theology Of the time of Jesus, a Qumran specialist, a form-historian, a historian of ancient religions, and many other things besides...

if honest, he will realize that he is and will remain a pitiful amateur -- will he not, unconsciously perhaps but effectively - take the leap of faith (may I add: not take the leap, expect proof, and since it is lacking, apostasize) dogmatic theologian no better off

118: Today's student not from old background, already firm in faith, needs a foundation for his career as priest and apostle

120: level of intelligence of theol students dropping

121: theol students not given training suited to their pastoral ministry

122: 'Theology is becoming more and more * "scientific"; it develops in accord with immanent laws of science 'in itself'; it branches off into ever new subjects and is concerned with many matters which previously were left to practice and * experience; it proliferates its own subject matter so that it cannot be taken in by one person on his own; in short, the study of theology at the present moment is structured as if it were intended to train future professors of theology.'

N. B. Conclusion is not ~~drop~~ ^{drop} theology but old FT

Newman: first shoot round corners and then try to convert people with syllogisms

Students: no one ever converted by FT

Answer: conversion via apologetics adapted to individuals; this is general systematic, scientific approach

Instatur: it no longer is science, out of date notion * of science

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Geffré p 11: credibility property of all dogmas without first examining critically and theologically the key dogma of revelation

p 12: assumes abstract distinction between fact and content of revel adds distinction between credibility of fact of revel

assent of faith to truths revealed conceives revel in abstract: communication of truths to be believed for ~~for~~gets that the very fact of revelation is the content of the good news of the gospel

never joins up rationality credibility that is proved lived credibility of believer

judgement of credibility depends on free and existential option of believer. To vindicate the faith is a matter of showing the meaning of Xtianity for the consciousness of someone already involved morally in a historical situation

Walgrave p 82: not proof of ~~the~~ truth of Xtian message no more than reasons that can justify acceptance of faith as a moral option for a serious conscience

once only objective undeniable facts: miracles and prophecies now relegated to intellectual limbo, or allowed to appear only on fringe of real argument

principal reason for change: better understanding of faith

Fries change in attitudes from common Xtian culture, where disagreement was apostasy etc, to contemporary issue, viz ~~xxx~~ create a basis for discussion, open doors, to listen and ask questions

old view: truth being defended is unassailable fortress; does not ask whether points of agreement, does not see possibility that other side might pose some valid qq

old procedure: articulate both positions ~~x~~ in neat formulas and theses so as to be handled more easily; ... disregard faith of opponent; opposed believer made part of antagonistic conceptual picture

Segundo

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Shift to human subject -- Die anthropologische Wende^o

Significance o Blondel

Geffré p 13 (37) ff

Walgrave p 82 (27)

Boumillard

Fries

No attempt to deal with epistemological gnoseological issues