

social compass

Note on the 1970/4 issue of SOCIAL COMPASS , International review of socio-religious studies .

Subject : Sociology and Theology

The 4th issue of Social Compass 1970 dedicated to Sociology and Theology comprises a certain number of articles which have been requested of sociologists of religion . These articles will view the role of theology and will eventually study certain specific problems , such as the theology of roles in the Church , theological thinking on development , sociology of dogmas etc . A certain number of sociologists have been contacted on this subject and many have already assured their collaboration .

There will also be a presentation of various research works in a chronicle : on the protestant faculties of theology in California , on the works of the faculty of theology in Louvain , etc.

Finally we would like to present a series of brief accounts on the way in which theologians and sociologists reciprocally view their role . This would form a document susceptible to be discussed by the following and to furnish a basis for reflection in a field (still particularly) and in which stands taken are very diverse .

Of the theologian it is asked : From the ~~theologians~~ point of view what is the role of sociology in the sciences of religion ?

Of the sociologist it is asked : From the sociologist's point of view what is the role of the theology in the sciences of religion ?

These two questions are willingly left very general so that each one can express himself in full liberty and without being hindered by too rigid a framework .

Practical indications : 1. Maximum lenght : 1500 words or 5 pages , double spacing.

2. Language : in French , English , German , Spanish , Italian , Portugese , Dutch . They will appear in English or in French.

3. Date : for the 15th March 1970.