

The Pauline “New Creation” in the Philosophical and Theological Thought of the Twentieth Century

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The aim of his research project is to examine remarkable interpretations of the Pauline doctrine of the “New Creation” (*kainē ktisis*) in the philosophical and theological contemporary thought. He notably wants to investigate the theoretical meaning of the notions of “new” and “newness”.

First and foremost, the purpose of his research is to outline the pivotal elements of the biblical semantics of the “new” and the Pauline doctrine of the “*kainotēs*”, with particular attention also to how it was interpreted by Patristic and Medieval Christian thought. The main intent of the research is to intertwine this Biblical, Pauline and Christian legacy with contemporary reflection. Consequently, an in depth-study of contemporary thought is addressed, so as to highlight that the category of “newness”, as it emerges from the Pauline legacy, involves a renewed way of understanding the human experience, the time and the history. Among others, Martin Heidegger, Rudolf Bultmann, Paul Tillich, Romano Guardini and Emmanuel Falque are taken into consideration.