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Wer ist mein Nächster? Verantwortung und Schöpfung als  
philosophisch-theologische Paradigmen. Hans Jonas und Jürgen  
Moltmann im Dialog

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**Abstract (English)**

In this diploma thesis the author discusses the concepts of creation and responsibility as theological and philosophical paradigms as they are understood by Jürgen Moltmann and Hans Jonas. The leading question in this effort is "'Who is my neighbor?'". My claim is to question the understanding of 'who' in terms of a non-anthropocentric manner. In the first part Hans Jonas and especially his magnum opus 'The Imperative of Responsibility' is subjected to critical scrutiny. The foundation of his ethics in ontology is an important part of it, which gives an insight to his concept of subjectness of non-human nature and furthermore some anthropological implications. Jonas demands a foundation of new ethics, especially over the course of the stated ecological crisis. In the second part I am concerned with Jürgen Moltmann's ecological theology of creation 'God in Creation', which founds a very broad understanding of creation and creation community. Focussed on the qualities of being subject and object, the relationship between humans and creation is questioned, also in view of Moltmann's contribution to eschatology, which broadens the perspective of the question "'Who is my neighbor'" to a level of theological temporality. The third and last part is an attempt to put Jonas and Moltmann into dialogue under the pursuit of reflecting the concepts of creation and responsibility as correlated ones and questioning the relationship between humans and nature, the self-understanding of humans and the tension between ethics and eschatology. In the third part I'll bring some important results of the thesis together, interpret them and suggest new questions.