

The problem of the Crucified in Nietzsche's critique of Christianity

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Abstract:

This article intends to make explicit the distinctions that Nietzsche establishes between Jesus Christ and “the crucified”, particularly in *The antichrist*, with the intention to defend the hypothesis that “the crucified” criticized by Nietzsche corresponds to a bad comprehension and not to the historical Jesus. In order to do that, we will hold that there is a discrepancy between the life, the deeds and the messages of Jesus and the paths taken in our civilization by Christianity. We consider that the first refers to a high valuation of the practice of an affirmative ethic, and to a relationship of love and immanence between God and men. On the other hand, the Christian moral, when it professes a devaluation of the world and of life and creates a normative doctrine, is contradicting Jesus own evangelic message.

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