

Encounter with S.Kierkegaard's existential thought

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The purpose of this paper is to clarify the historical and objective fields of vision which have been developed by the author's various papers on thought of S.Kierkegaard. Broadly speaking, this paper aims at clarifying, in relation to the objective and historical situations of the 1960's and the 1970' in Japan, the various phases which are contained in the researches on thought of S.Kierkegaard. The outline in general is as follows:

(1) In the first place, the author deals with the historical significance of thought of Kierkegaard in the flourishing era of the acceptance of, what is called thought of existence from around the middle of 1970's in post-war Japan. Thereby the author reveals the same phases of acceptance of thought of Kierkegaard in the prosperous era of thought of Sartre, who blared the trial of existentialism.

(2) In the second place ,the author inquires into the meaning of the historical change in which the thought of existence began to be showing signs of decline in the wake of high technology principle in Japan which was advocated on a national scale from the latter 1970's. Following upon it the author mentions the change of the phases of thought of Kierkegaard. Together with it the author has a full discussion for a new phases of thought of existence in relation to structuralism.