A TALK BY LUCAS LAZZERATTI

CO-SPONSORED BY THE HONG KIERKEGAARD LIBRARY AND ENDURING QUESTIONS

THE DAEMON OF NEGATIVITY IN KIERKEGAARD

KIERKEGAARD'S CONCEPT OF "THE DAEMONIC"
REVEALS HIS EDUCATION UNDER GERMAN
IDEALISM AND ROMANTICISM. RESONATING WITH
SOCRATES' DAEMON, THE MODERN CONCEPT OF
"THE DAEMONIC" OPPOSES TRENDS OF
RATIONALISM PECULIAR TO THE ENLIGHTENMENT.
KIERKEGAARD USES THIS IDEA TO SHOW THE
POWER OF A NEGATIVITY THAT IS DISTINCT FROM
CERTAIN IDEALISTIC TENDENCIES. SEARCHING FOR
A FRESH DIALECTICS OF EXISTENCE, KIERKEGAARD
FINDS THE DAEMON OF NEGATIVITY, WHICH
BECOMES ONE OF THE MAIN TOOLS OF HIS
PHILOSOPHICAL PROJECT.

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