

Il personalismo laico di Engelhardt tra ermeneutica e scetticismo

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Abstract: One of the main reasons to be interested in Engelhardt's work is that his ethical-epistemological skepticism is grounded in Hegel's *Sittlichkeit* and in hermeneutics. This allows him to have a flexible approach – not a positivistic lack of criticism – towards technology, which must be seen within the fundamental perspective of the intersubjective agreement between moral strangers: an agreement that can only be procedural, not substantive. The article however expresses also perplexities on his overly optimistic view of the market and on the one-sided historical judgment on the Protestant Reformation and its implications in the context of bioethics.

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