DEMONOLOGY OF THE BODY

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I. DESCRIPTION

Being human is being in the state of conversion. Being human is also being - and not merely having - your body. Thus body is an integral part of the process of conversion. Body is a greatest gift that we have received and can offer in the act of self-giving. As a sign of unity and grace, body becomes as if a sacrament. These are fundamental assumptions of the theology of the body. Yet to understand body in its glory we have to see the body in its misery. Theology of the body cannot be understood without demonology of the body, John Paul II has to be confronted with Rene Girard and Witold Gombrowicz.

II. CONTENTS

Seminar 1: Body and self (Love and responsibility)
Seminar 2: Body and marriage (Man and Woman He Created Them)
Seminar 3: Body and solidarity (The acting Person)
Seminar 4: Body and the devil (Deceit, Desire and the Novel)
Seminar 5: Body and God (Cosmos)

III. METHODOLOGY

   Seminar discussion Commentary of texts

IV. EVALUATION

   Participation in the discussion