HERMENEUTICS OF WITNESS

AS A PROGRAM OF INTERPRETATION OF WAR

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Abstract. The article attempts to create preliminary features of the hermeneutics of witnessing as a program for interpreting the war aimed at finding new paradigmatic conditions and methods for conceptual description of the war which make it possible to overcome its inevitability. The author proposes a martyrologic perspective of understanding the witnessing which justifies the possibility of an auctor-witness position. Based on the works of R. Girard, J. Agamben and A. Badiou, the author gives a descriptive reconstruction of the paradoxical of the witness of the war.

The hermeneutics of witnessing as a reflexive practice puts forward a number of requirements for a position of interpretation, such as not only cognitive, but also social interest directed towards the universal normative horizon and manifested in the concomitant affective side of the interpreter as auctor-witness to the event of the war.
**Key words:** witness, the paradox of a witnessing position, war in Ukraine, hermeneutics of witnessing.

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