

Boekbespreking — Compte rendu

Johann von STAUPITZ, *Sämtliche Schriften, Abhandlungen, Predigten, Zeugnisse*, Bd.1, Lateinische Schriften, I: *Tübinger Predigten*. Bearbeitet von Richard Wetzel (Spätmittelalter und Reformation, 13). Berlin-New York, De Gruyter, 1987 (XIII-637, 2 facs.). Ganzleinen DM 258.

In the same year 1979 that the project *Spätmittelalter und Reformation* of Tübingen University under the direction of Prof. Heiko A. Oberman published the first volume of Gregory of Rimini's *Lectura super Primum et Secundum Sententiarum*, the said Institute started also to publish the *Opera omnia* of another theologian of the Order of St. Augustine, Johannes von Staupitz (c.1468-1524), vicar general of the Observant Congregation of Saxony, and superior of Martin Luther. It was the second volume of the section: Lateinische Schriften, which contained the original Latin text and a contemporary German translation by Christoph Scheurl of Staupitz's *Libellus de exsecutione aeternae praedestinationis* (1517). The publication of both series, Gregory of Rimini and Johann von Staupitz, comprehending each seven volumes, were announced by the editors as to be completed in 1982.

Unforeseen circumstances however must have been the reason why the planned limit could not be reached. Gregory's series was completed by volume 7: *Indices* in 1987, whereas in that same year only the second volume of the Staupitz series was published. Anyhow two other volumes are announced to appear in 1988, so we may hope that the course of this publication will proceed now somewhat quicker. Johannes von Staupitz's Latin works, the first volumes of the set, have now been completed with the *Tübinger Predigten*, which were carefully elaborated by Richard Wetzel. These sermons, ordered by and dedicated to Johannes Brüheim, prior of the Augustinian community at Tübingen between 1488 and 1495, were written by Staupitz in this monastery in the years 1497-98. They constitute a commentary on Job, but not on the entire book. In the 34 sermons and a sketch of sermon 35, Staupitz only deals with the first two chapters. Obviously they are a part of a work, which never has come to an end. The sermons have been preserved in one Ms only, codex Clm 18760 of the Bayerische Staatsbibliothek München, which belonged to a Benedictine monk of Tegernsee, Wolfgang Seidel (1492-1562), who lived with the Augustinians of Munich from 1532 till 1548, and from 1555 till 1562.

Although not being a complete commentary on Job, these sermons are of great importance for the study of Staupitz's evolution from scholasticism to the views of modern age. Explicit quotations, and

above all the implicit ones, from the Bible, theologians and profane authorities (see "Bibelstellen" and "Autoritäten und Quellen", p. 491-523) with painstaking accuracy mentioned by the editor and his collaborators, demonstrate Staupitz's profound erudition. Glancing through these sources it strikes e.g. that Giles of Rome, the leader of the old Augustinian school, is quoted over 280 times, and Gregory of Rimini, the initiator of the new school, only once. In the *Libellus de exsecutione aeternae praedestinationis* quotations from and allusions to Gregory's works are 20, while Giles' name is mentioned only 56 times. In this last work we find references to all 34 Tübingen sermons, except to sermon 14 and 17.

Among the authorities St. Augustine clearly occupies the first place, but also Gerson, Gregory the Great, Peter Lombard, Thomas Aquinas and Aristotle are frequently mentioned.

Staupitz's intention with these sermons was not in the first place to write an exegetical treatise, rather he intended an ascetic-pastoral work, as he himself declares at the end of sermon 14: "Neque enim de Job ut de singulari persona singula dicere intendo... sed magis volo de eo loqui, ut personam cuiuslibet temptati gerit quem propter deum temptatio arripuit" (263).

The sermons already were edited in 1927 at Leipzig by Georg Buchwald with many corrections by Ernest Wolf, but a much more critical and better elaborated text was necessary in the frame of this project. It has been excellently done by Richard Wetzels, for which he deserves our high esteem.

As usually in this series "Spätmittelalter und Reformation" the printing is perfect.

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