
Summary

The study presents an attempt at the critical reflection of spiritual situation of the modern age. The aim of the study is analysis of a fundamental connection between three relevant philosophical categories that are also categories of human authentic life: fate, freedom and choice. Fate is grasped here as a challenge to human freedom and a moment of conjunction of these two dimensions is a powerful force that can be expressed in the concept of metaphysical decision. This moment is postulated as a moment of absolute solitude in which an unconditioned choice between two principal perspectives of life happens: to see the meaning of life *sub specie aeternitatis* or to see it *sub specie mortis*. The study brings arguments for refusing the political concept of liberty as intellectually inconsequent and for necessity to think of liberty in metaphysically religious sense. In conclusion an idea is indicated that the prevalent metaphysical decision of modern thinkers for secular eschatology, for postmodern relativism and for mortal, non-transcendental, earthly final life represents a kind of resignation which is not the best way for philosophy and human culture at all.