

Feminist Movement and the Christian Vision of Woman. A Theological and Moral Study

Summary

The last century was a time of righteous struggle of women against abuse, unfair treatment and degrading stereotypes of their dignity. Unfortunately, in the 1970s, the feminist movement began to be greatly influenced by radical ideologies promoting a new revolutionary vision of man. Woman was to be seen as a modern person. This concept began to be contrasted with the situation of women wishing to undertake the task of motherhood. Is the role of the mother, who creates "human capital", really a form of her degradation? This was the reason why the fight for women's equal rights often became just a pretext to fight the traditional family and motherhood, and to support sexual promiscuity. Therefore, we can talk about a clash of what the feminist movement proposes with the Christian vision of woman. Hence the title of the doctoral dissertation "Feminist Movement and the Christian Vision of Woman. A Theological and Moral Study". However, the aim of the dissertation is not to look for discrepancies between the feminist movement and the Christian vision of women, but to look for common elements that can meet what we call human capital.

The dissertation consists of five chapters. The first chapter deals with feminism in a historical perspective with its ideological foundations and broadly understood social activity. In the second chapter, as if in response to the ideological assumptions of feminism, a Christian vision of a woman is presented. The third chapter shows the discrepancies in understanding the dignity and vocation of a woman. In the fourth chapter the convergent elements in understanding the dignity and mission of a woman are taken into account. The last chapter indicates the ways and possibilities of valuing the dignity and mission of a woman.

There have been scientific studies taking into account various aspects of the traditionally understood feminist movement, but this work contains elements that may become a platform of understanding between the supporters of traditionally understood feminism and the preachers of new feminism. It is known that the driving force behind the development of feminism is the fight for equality of rights. The truth is not always the answer in the fight. It loses what is obvious and fundamental, that the difference in the roles of men and women is a consequence of natural biological differences. This is also the importance of this dissertation

and these elements may become a platform of understanding between the supporters of traditionally understood feminism and the heralds of new feminism. The use of these aspects became an opportunity to discover the thoughts of the papal teaching. This made it possible to rediscover the Christian dimension of woman's dignity and vocation and what is the complementarity of a woman and a man.