Abstract

The first theoretical part of the thesis deals with the question: What is queer theology and brings new perspectives. At the same time, the theoretical part of the thesis elaborates on the themes that emerged from the research interviews: the image of God, identity, corporeality and non-acceptance. The second part of this thesis concern with qualitative research. The research deals with the issue of queer clergies in the Czech Republic and their journeys of faith and acceptance. In the research interviews, which are developed through an interpretative phenomenological analysis (IPA), the aim is to gain insight into the lived experiences of faith and acceptance of these unique respondents. The aim of this thesis is to enrich the academic and lay communities with new perspectives of queer theology and to get closer to the respondents. To find aspects of their journeys that are causing distress and to seek ways out that would be helpful to avoid them from the position of the church and social environment as well as from the family background.

Keywords

Queer theology, theology, queer, clergy, faith, acceptance, guilt, authenticity, truth, church, identity, expectations, heteronormativity, internalized homophobia, fear, mercy, love, God, Jesus, self-acceptance, hate, society, pressure, relationship.