

The dissertation of Petr Jandjsek analyzes Christologies of the three contemporary Jesuit theologians: Jacques Dupuis, Roger Haight and Jon Sobrino. In terms of method it calls their approaches “from below”. Epistemology used by their Christologies proceeds from human, particular, historically-grounded experience toward its revealing source. Given that the three Christologies were subjected to a critique from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the dissertation raises questions regarding the innovative features of their Christologies as well as their limits. It is argued that they can complement the so-called “Christologies from above”, which proceed “from God”, from the divine revelation that has been given to the human beings and requires obedience. In this dissertation “theology from above” is exemplified by the work of Joseph Ratzinger. The dissertation identifies common sources of the Christologies in question. They are found in the Ignatian spirituality, the theology of Karl Rahner and the experiences gained in the missionary work. In conclusion, it is suggested that the three Christologies are legitimate interpretations, however limited, of the pastoral theology of the Second Vatican Council.