

SYNTHESIS OF THE REFEREE'S REPORT

TITLE: Subordinating Trust to Text: A Hermeneutical Reversal

1. **What is the aim of the paper?** The author wants to show that the trust or suspicion in the hermeneutical interpretation of the texts do not rely on a conception of the human relationships but that, on the contrary, trust and suspicion in such relationships are based on the ability to interpret texts.
2. **Do you think it is an interesting and successful project?** No.
 1. **You believe that:**
 - a) **the paper should be rejected;**
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 - e) **the paper should be accepted in its current version.**

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I find it quite difficult to follow the main point of the paper because its structure has not been indicated in the introduction. There is some articulation between the four parts of the text but we discover it along the reading of the paper.

The author refers himself to various great references and to an important philosophical literature but I had the feeling that they were evoked more than analysed as such. It may be useful to evoke less references but to go deeper in it.

The starting point of the article is the presupposition that the common view about textual interpretation is that it relies on the human relationships of trust and suspicion. It may be interesting to elaborate that view in the introduction to make appear the pertinence of the opposite view that the author wants to promote.

A few expressions could appear quite strange even if we understand them quite implicitly, for example: "this origin is genealogical in nature" (p. 1) or "With Heidegger, I believe that humans meet the givenness of their own being in a way such that they cannot address this confrontation with a device that is derivative of it, such as scientific method or technology. They depend in this meeting on a particular gift that they have: the gift of interpreting and understanding texts" (p. 2)