

## PHILOSOPHY

***Olga N. Dyachenko***

*(Kursk state university. Kursk, Russian Federation)*

### **To the question of the essence of human primordial nature in the Middle ages**

It is presented the results of a study of the problem of the essence of the human's first nature, to which medieval philosophers repeatedly refer. Definition and understanding of the properties characteristic of man before the fall meant for the Middle Ages to approach the resolution of the main contradiction of philosophical anthropology developing within the theocentricity: between the essence of human primordial nature and the purpose of its life, that is, the possibility of restoring as it was conceived by God. The author turns to the analysis of primary sources, the works of Western mystics and philosophers. Based on the study, it was concluded that, unlike the thinkers of scholasticism, who sought to comprehend human primordial ontological nature, starting from the mystics, medieval philosophers place emphasis on the psychological and epistemological components of human dispensation.

Key words: God, man, essence, human nature, first nature, Middle Ages.

*April 8, 2019*

---