

Narrative as a theological research method within the framework of a hermeneutical epistemology

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Resumen

Hermeneutics has substantially contributed to the developments of Theology. Historically there has been an intrinsic link to its work that begins with approximations to Holy Scripture and offers further developments that seek to overcome textuality or literalness. In parallel, narratives as a research method also use hermeneutics as an epistemological approach perspective, giving meaning and rigor to interpretation and analysis. Thus, there is evidence of a common floor that allows weaving not only historical transfers but also routes of prospective action between theological hermeneutics and narrative hermeneutics. Regarding the above, this text seeks to approach theological work and narrative as scenarios that tend to reconstruct meanings that use hermeneutics to consolidate knowledge and approaches that constitute valuable inputs for the generation of knowledge. In this scenario, the aim is to analyze theology and narration from its episteme anchored in hermeneutics, and from there, to find common ground that allows narrative to be mediated as an input that, through its

own techniques, instruments and analysis processes, can question the theological task today. This is a way of overcoming logic that exclude the contributions of everyday life and verbalized expression in human settings, thereby allowing the tracking of important inputs for theological research in action-oriented reasoning.

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