



The Sickness Unto Death

By Deceased Soren Kierkegaard, Anti Climacus

Createspace, United States, 2014. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Anti-Climacus introduces the book with a reference to Gospel of John 11.4: This sickness is not unto death. This quotation comes from the story of Lazarus, in which Jesus raises a man from the dead. However, Anti-Climacus raises the question: would not this statement still be true even if Jesus had not raised Lazarus from the dead? While the human conception of death is the end, the Christian conception of death is merely another stop along the way of the eternal life. In this way, for the Christian, death is nothing to fear. The true Sickness unto Death, which does not describe physical but spiritual death, is something to fear according to Anti-Climacus. This sickness unto death is what Kierkegaard calls despair. According to Kierkegaard, an individual is in despair if he does not align himself with God or God's plan for the self. In this way he loses his self, which Kierkegaard defines as the relation's relating itself to itself in the relation. Kierkegaard defines humanity as the tension between the finite and infinite, and...



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