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SUMMARY

The aim of teaching according to Thomas Aquinas

Among the medieval teachers and orators a special place is taken by St. Thomas Aquinas. His preaching and teaching involves basically the knowledge of wisdom – that is the knowledge of ultimate causes of reality. Looking for the causes of the world, according to Aquinas, evolves itself into indicating the ultimate aim of everything, especially that of man. The aim of all beings, which is also understood as the first cause, is identified with God. Religious faith is one of the ways of knowing God. Thanks to this faith it becomes possible to know the essence of God, correspondently to the human way of existence and knowing in temporal lifetime. Accordingly, the teaching task consists in proclaiming the truth about God as the ultimate end of man, as well as in preparing and empowering him, on the path of faith, to receive the contents of God's revelation.

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