L'emploi des pronoms je, nous et vous dans le discours de controverse religieuse en France après les guerres de religion

The use of the pronouns *je*, *nous* and *vous* in the discourse of religious controversy in France after the Wars of Religion

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Abstract: This study explores the *ethos*, the representation of the Other and argumentation in the discourse of religious controversy between Catholics and Protestants in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries in France. During the period following the Wars of Religion, which is characterized by a regulated coexistence of the two religions in accordance with the Edict of Nantes (1598), a significant increase in the number of publications relating to religious controversy is observed, as the fight is displaced to a discursive level. The corpus for this study is composed of several publications by the Protestant Philippe Duplessis-Mornay. Using the framework of Discourse Analysis, our study makes a systematic survey of the personal pronouns in the texts written by the author in order to analyze his discursive strategies. The purpose of this study is to contribute to exploring a new corpus for discourse analysis as well as to further our understanding of religious controversies.

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