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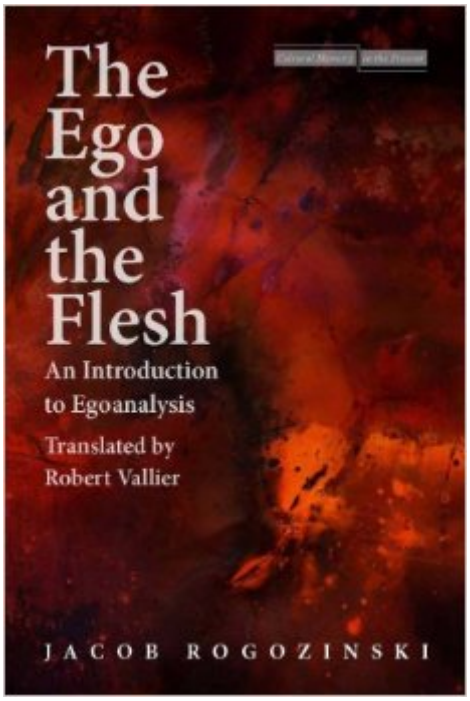

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Synopsis

Is our ego but an illusion, a mere appearance produced by a reality that is foreign to us? Is it the main source of violence and injustice? Jacob Rogozinski calls into question these prejudices that dominate current philosophy, psychoanalysis, and the human sciences. Arguing that we must distinguish the true ego from the alienated and narcissistic construct, he calls for an end to egicide, or the destruction of the ego. Ego and the Flesh offers a critique of the two masters of egicide, Heidegger and Lacan, along with a rereading of Descartes, who was the first to discover the absolute truth of "I am." The book's main purpose, however, is to provide an entirely new theory of the self, egoanalysis, which reveals a divided ego-flesh. Constantly striving to attain unity, the ego-flesh is haunted by a remainder, whose role sheds light on various enigmas: the encounter with the other, the passage from hate to love, the death and the resurrection of the I. For ego-analysis is no mere theory: it opens the way to our deliverance.

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What Jacob Rogozinski did in this short, but incredibly well put together text was perhaps one of the greatest strides in the modern development of psychoanalysis and the philosophical implications of the modern ego filled world. Beginning the text with an all out attack on Heidegger and Lacan who both, according to Rogozinski, were responsible for the 'egocide' of the modern era, Rogozinski traces the fate of the ego in the modern world, the demise of the ontological, linguistic, and 'wholly other' methods of analysis and replaces it all with a structural, Phenomenological analysis of the

ego-proper.He then continues into a Husserlian EpokhÃ¨ of his own (think, meditation) through which he discovers and works through what a proper reductive egoanlysis might look like, with striking results. For both analysts and philosophers alike -- this text will not disappoint.And I repeat, this text is arguably the most relevant work to come out in the field of Philosophy of Psychology since the printing of Husserl's 1925 lecture notes of Phenomenological Psychology. Do not let this one go by unnoticed.

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