Welcome All!

There are 17 short papers and reviews in PDF format at [http://religion.syr.edu/mooney.html]. (You can Google my site under “Religion Department, Syracuse University, Faculty, Edward Mooney,” if that’s easier.)

When you reach my web site, scroll down a bit and find the heading “Recent Papers.” The 17 hyperlinks under “Recent Papers” are a number of my short essays, reviews, longer essays, and reviews of my books and papers by other scholars -- materials I hope you find pertinent to our seminar discussions.

Here’s the list of hyperlinks that you’ll see on my web page.

1. “Death as Interpersonal”, the paper I read on Monday June 28; it includes a discussion of death, vocation, and the interpersonal dimension of “inwardness”
3. “Kierkegaard on moral vision”, my review of Patrick Stokes’ recent book, Kierkegaard’s Mirrors
4. “Who is the Kierkegaardian Author? my review of Joseph Westfall’s book on pseudonyms and non-pseudonyms. My best account of the topic (via Westfall’s account)
5. “Ferreira’ on Kierkegaard”, this review has a closing section in which I try [yet again] to demystify “subjectivity”
6. “Kierkegaard’s Ethical Sublime”, a section from my On SK that gives a very broad construction of ‘ethics’
7. “Julia Kristeva: Tales of Horror and Love”, has an interesting reading of how scenes in Kierkegaard’s Fear and Trembling can be sifted through Kristeva
8. “Keynote Address: Kierkegaard at the APA ?” – this is both a review of Steve Evans’ accomplishments and an account of what might be done in bringing out “the literary Kierkegaard”
10. “Love, that lenient interpreter”, my rather critical review of Garff’s biography, with a plea for getting past a “hermeneutics of suspicion” (at least in some of our writing)
11. “Kierkegaard in the Garden of Death” -- First of two longer papers on Kierkegaard and Death, this an expanded version of my St Olaf paper, found above. The other is
13. “Repetition and Philosophical Crumbs”, my introduction to the new Oxford World Classics translation of these works

15. “Hannay’s review of On Soren Kierkegaard”, appeared in Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews

16. “Furtak’s review of Evans” Rick Furtak’s Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews review of Evans’ Introduction to Kierkegaard

17. “Note to Utrech Participants”, a copy of the general note emailed earlier

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I hope that browsing in these essays will give you a sense of some of my approaches to Kierkegaard, and make it easier for you to focus some questions. I will not lecture but I’ll make short remarks. We’ll try to make this a true seminar, where as many as possible can participate.

You can email me [efmooney AT syr.edu] before the seminar and between its two sessions or catch me after or at breakfasts. The idea of the seminar is to probe a number of approaches to Kierkegaard’s thought; saving your questions and responses for the official hours will help discussion along.

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You may have questions about some of my Kierkegaard books. Please raise them! The books are:

• On Soren Kierkegaard: Dialogue, Polemics, Lost Intimacy and Time, Ashgate, 2007
• Kierkegaard’s Philosophical Crumbs and Repetition, ed., with introductory essay, Oxford World Classics, 2009
• The edited collection, Ethics, Love, and Faith in Kierkegaard: A Philosophical Engagement, Indiana University Press, 2008
• Selves in Discord and Resolve: Kierkegaard’s Moral-Religious Psychology from Either/Or to Sickness Unto Death: Routledge, 1996
• Knights of Faith and Resignation: Reading Kierkegaard’s Fear and Trembling, SUNY, 1991

Some off you may also be interested in

• Lost Intimacy in American Thought: Recovering Personal Philosophy from Thoreau to Cavell, Continuum Books, 2009; it deals with approaches to philosophy that are congruent with my approaches to Kierkegaard.

The seminar is slated to end at 4:00 -- I’m willing to keep going if you have energy.

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