

## **Abstract**

Dissertation "A thought journey of a philosopher-disident Bohumír Janát" deals with the life and work of a Christian philosopher and spokesman of Charter 77. The work is not divided into two parts, but each chapter includes both his personal and professional life as well as analysis of Janát's texts. The work begins with Janát's childhood and his studies at the Faculty of Arts at Charles University in Prague and continues with the period from graduation until the year 1989 when his texts already contain motifs he was developing for the rest of his life. Year 1988 was particularly important as at this time he was the spokesman for Charter 77. The third section is the period from 1989 to Janát's death in November 1998 when he produced most of his work.

The work is especially pointing out that Bohumír Janát was always a critic of present, he ran against the spirit of the time - during and even after a totalitarian regime ended in November 1989. He saw the coup as a revelation of God's power, not as a revolution. He hoped for a change in the mindset of the nation, for a turnover to the sphere of ethics and spiritual deepening. Post-revolutionary development, however, was a deep disappointment for him. His inspiring thinkers were S. Dunne, H. D. Thoreau, T. G. Masaryk and F. Nietzsche, whose philosophy served Janát as a basis for criticism of modern and postmodern thinking. Janát's basic themes, in addition to critical works, were hope, truth, home, Faust theme. An important thesis for him was Masaryk's "Jesus, not Caesar." He also brought the term "metaphysical decision" to philosophy, which is archetypal conflict of faith and disbelief.