

Abstract

In the following work I will try to describe, as a title prompts, the relation between extremism and Catholicism, including ways of Christian rhetoric which are used by some extremist organizations. I am mainly focusing on a grouping with a function in Czech republic after 1989, although I am trying to see this topic in the most possible spread point of view. It means my effort in surveying this part of extremism partly according to its development.

I have tried to analyze an opinions of groups individually and creating more general view for the structure of extremist and radical organizations, as well, using some elements of catholic faith during their lectures. Next to this view I am trying to distinguish two main styles in Christianity and extremism – political (those groups has especially political ambitions) and radical-catholic (organizations aiming for “purity” of a society in a way of traditional church values, but using elements of anti-system during their work).

Further research, based on this background, about ways of using a Christianity in these organizations leading to destroy their own interests. My attention is also dedicated not only to my understanding of this faith, in a view of these groups, but I am trying to imagine their conceptual values, to demonstrate reasons of targeting these organizations as an extremist, or radical.

Beside my interest I will focus on a Roman Catholic church, as well, which reflection in extremist area makes a notional end to this study.

From earned experience I am also trying to find out a level of used Christian elements within activities of extremist subjects in Czech republic - if it has a crucial part or not. This includes a study about an influence to a church itself.