

## **Summary**

*The Secularization in the Czech Republic as a Theological Problem.*

The theme of the thesis is the secularization in the Czech context, namely in relation to the theoretical solving of the problem from the aspect of sociology of religion and theology, as well as the empirical exploration. In the first part it surveys the development of the concept in respect of the specific culture and sociopolitical events; it attends the theme in the light of sociology of religion, in particular with Thomas Luckmann and Peter L. Berger, whose findings I consider the most useful for the theological grasping of the problem. The thesis copes with the *secularization theory*, which was determining the discussion on the secularization across the sciences for a long time. Further on it deals with the theme of the secularization in the world theology. It concentrates exclusively on its protestant part, especially in the German area. Special attention is paid to Ulrich Barth. In the second part the thesis deals with the analysis of the religious scene on the basis of special sociological research and on the census. It examines and confirms the allegation that the Czech Republic is the most secularized European country, and he endeavors to outline possible historical preconditions of this fact. In the third part the thesis presents the reflection of the secularization in the Czech theology, starting with the conception by Tomáš Halík, who had pursued the secularization among Czech theologians the most. The thesis surveys the discussion on the secularization of the Czech protestant theologians since its beginning, and in conclusion it tries to present some solutions, how to understand the secularization as a challenge.

## **Key words**

secularization, secularization theory, pluralism, Czech Republic, society, Christianity, church, religion, religiosity, belief, atheism