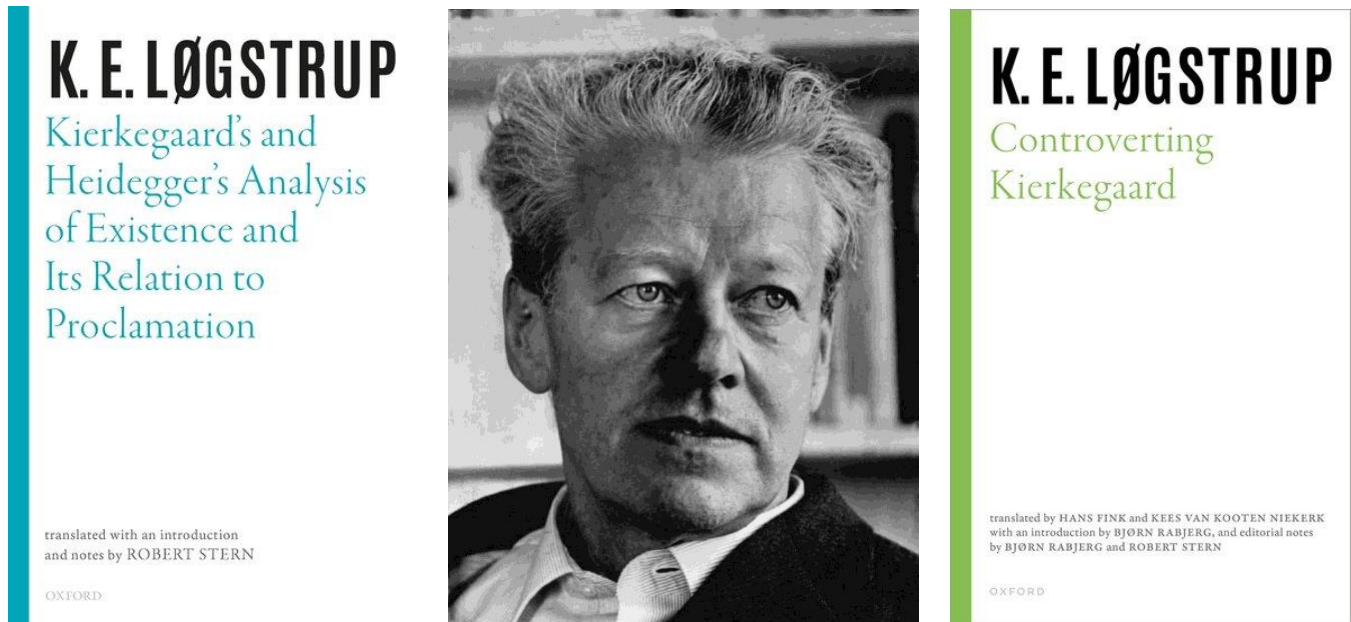


Fall 2026: Løgstrup's Critique of Kierkegaard

An Online Reading Workshop on the Writings K.E. Løgstrup



American researcher Dr. Michael Au-Mullaney and the Løgstrup Research Center are collaborating on a weekly online reading workshop on the writings of 20th century Danish philosopher-theologian K.E. Løgstrup. The workshop is in English, online, and open to interested readers everywhere. This term, we will read two works by Løgstrup that deal with his critiques of Søren Kierkegaard and some of Kierkegaard's 20th century interpreters:

- *Kierkegaard and Heidegger's Analysis of Existence and its Relation to Proclamation*, a series of lectures delivered in Germany in which Løgstrup began to formulate his concept of "the ethical demand" as a response to Kierkegaard's concepts of being lost in the crowd vs. living authentically before God, being under an infinite demand before God, the question of taking over concrete existence, and the nature of guilt.
- *Controverting Kierkegaard*, where Løgstrup challenged Kierkegaard's understanding of Christianity and gave the first robust account of his concept of "sovereign expressions of life," which permeated the rest of his writings.
- We will also read a small selection of texts by Kierkegaard, K. Olesen Larsen, and Johannes Sløk that shed light on opposing views.

Participation is free and informal, anyone is welcome to join. The level of discussion should be suitable for both faculty, researchers, graduate students, advanced undergraduates, as well as anyone interested in the study of theology or philosophy.

Meeting date and time: Tuesdays, 14:00-16:00 CET (Central European Time), 1. September–8. December.

Registration will be capped at 30 participants. Registration closes 1. September.

To register, please email Micheal Au-Mullaney at: michael.au.mullaney@gmail.com

Zoom Room: <https://bit.ly/4u4Kh4G>

**Løgstrup Reading Workshop, Fall 2026: Løgstrup's critique of Kierkegaard
Kierkegaard and Heidegger's Analysis of Existence and its relation to Proclamation &
Controverting Kierkegaard, with select responses to critics.**

1. Sept 1: Søren Kierkegaard, excerpt from *Fear and Trembling*, "Problemata, Preliminary Expectoration/Foreløbig Expectoration" (FT 27-53/FB 123-147) (provided as PDF)
2. Sept 8: Søren Kierkegaard, excerpts from *Concluding Unscientific Postscript to Philosophical Fragments* (Hong: pp. 525-534/Online Danish version: s. 477-485: <https://tekster.kb.dk/text/sks-ae-txt-root#ss477>)
3. Sept 15: *Kierkegaard and Heidegger's Analysis of Existence and its relation to Proclamation*, Part I.1-3, (KHA 3-30/KHE 9-44)
4. Sept 22: *Kierkegaard and Heidegger's Analysis of Existence and its relation to Proclamation*, Part I.4-5, (KHA 31-51/KHE 45-71)
5. Sept 29: *Kierkegaard and Heidegger's Analysis of Existence and its relation to Proclamation*, Part II, (KHA 55-88/KHE 72-118).
6. Oct 6: K. Olesen Larsen, excerpt from "The Infinite Demand & Love for the Neighbor" & an excerpt from Johannes Sløk, 'Tre Kierkegaard-tolninger' (distributed as PDF)
7. October 13: *Controverting Kierkegaard*, Forward & Part 1 (CK 1-25/OK 11-25)
8. Oct 20: *Controverting Kierkegaard*, Part 2 (CK 26-48/OK 41-70)
9. Oct 27: *Controverting Kierkegaard*, Part 3.1-4 (CK 49-78/OK 71-107)
10. Nov 3: *Controverting Kierkegaard*, Part 3.5-10 (CK 79-99/OK 107-131)
11. Nov 10: *Controverting Kierkegaard*, Part 3.11-13 (CK 100-116/OK 132-153)
12. Nov 17: *Controverting Kierkegaard*, Part 4 (CK 117-135/OK 154-178)
13. Nov 24: Gregor Malantschuk, "Løgstrups Opgør med Kierkegaard" (PDF)
14. Dec 1: Excerpt from Johannes Sløk, *Teologiens elendighed* part 3 (PDF).
15. Dec 8: K.E. Løgstrup, "The Trampoline's Reply" (PDF)

Texts:

- K.E. Løgstrup, *Kierkegaard and Heidegger's Analysis of Existence and its Relation to Proclamation*, Oxford University Press, 2020. ISBN: 9780198855996
- K.E. Løgstrup, *Kierkegaards og Heideggers eksistensanalyse og dens forhold til forkyndelsen*, Klim, 2013. ISBN: 9788771292695
- K.E. Løgstrup, *Controverting Kierkegaard*, Oxford University Press, 2023. ISBN: 9780198874768
- Danish version: K.E. Løgstrup, *Opgør med Kierkegaard*, Klim, 2013. ISBN: 9788771291551
- PDFs of selected excerpts to other texts distributed via email