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Metaphysical Implications of the Religion Chapter in Hegel's Phenomenology of Spirit

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Contemporary commentators on Hegel's Phenomenology of Spirit either ignore the chapter on religion completely or view it as a necessary historical transition, a stage on the way to genuine philosophical thinking.

I want to interpret the religion chapter not only as a transition, but also as an essential interruption of the narrative flow of Hegel's phenomenological description of the "experience of consciousness" becoming conscious of its absolute nature. The religious self-consciousness exemplified by revealed religion interrupts the narrative by forcing us to consider seemingly unanswerable metaphysical questions about ourselves: our nature and the content of our self-consciousness as finite human beings. In this light, religion persists as the essential opening of finite consciousness to its metaphysical ground – its "Anderssein."

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