Can be Hermeneutics a Current Method in the Study of Religion History?

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Abstract

In this academic article, we articulate the relation between hermeneutics as a method and History of Religion as a study filed. In introduction, the word *hermeneutics* is explained both from an etymological point of view and from a mythological one. Throughout history, theologians and historians used this concept in their research. In special, the author Mircea Eliade, as an historian, used in his studies about religion the method of hermeneutics. We present in a creative way the most important critics on this system of analysis and complete with an open conclusion about using or not hermeneutics as a method in the study of religion history.