

How do the adherents of a religion bear witness explicitly?

The adherents of a religion bear witness explicitly by re-presenting the explicit self-understanding decisively re-presented historically through their explicit primal source as being implicitly presented transcendently by ultimate reality itself, and as therefore *the* answer to the existential question about the meaning of ultimate reality for us. Thus Christians, for example, re-present God by re-presenting Jesus, through whom as they believe and attest, the God who is always already presented implicitly is re-presented decisively.

In this way, the adherents of a religion explicitly address the question that all of us ask, implicitly if not explicitly, of how we are to understand our own existence with others in the whole if we are to do so authentically and truly. Claiming thus to be authorized explicitly as well as implicitly by ultimate reality itself, they explicitly authorize all of us so to understand ourselves and to lead our lives accordingly, by joining them in bearing the same witness explicitly and also implicitly through the whole of our life-praxis.

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