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**David Hoehner in**  
**A Theological Critique of Modern Exegetical Practice** calls for a more theologically rich understanding of the task of Scriptural interpretation. He begins by outlining a Trinitarian description of revelation and discussing what this means for our understanding of Scripture.

**Denis Kondyuk in Some Observations Concerning the Theology of the Psalms from a Structural-Canonical Perspective** presents current trends in Old Testament hermeneutics using the Psalter as a case study. He starts with an analysis of the historical grounds of the current hermeneutical situation moving to a description of methodology based on canonical criticism as it was presented

by Brevard Childs and developed for the Psalter by Gerald Wilson.

**Gennady Golob in Free Will: Pro and Con** reflects on the possibility and conditions for the manifestation of human free will. The basic classification of ancient and contemporary concepts of free will are presented and analyzed scientifically and theologically.

**Konstantine Prokhorov in On Christian Pacifism** analyzes the classical Christian viewpoints on the military, presenting the wide spectrum of ethical

problems related to the national requirement of performing military service, participation in war and the death penalty.

**Vladimir Kharlamov in Theosis in Patristic Thought** examines the intricate complexity of the

emergence and development of theosis in patristic theology, acknowledging the initially marginal, rhetorical, multidimensional, and often contextualized role of this concept prior to its theological consolidation in Pseudo-Dionysius the Areopagite and Maximus the Confessor in the sixth and seventh centuries.

**Victor Shlenkin in The Issue of Authority in Eastern Orthodox Tradition** seeks to answer the following questions: What is the nature of Tradition? Does it have a textual basis? Who has the right to express and explain it, applying Tradition to the settling of many issues of church life? How practical is their reasoning?

