

Thesis Title    A Critical Study of Bertrand Russell's  
                 Logical Atomism  
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Abstract

The purpose of the western philosophy as it is derived from Greek philosophy is the search for the ultimate reality. Western philosophers of all times had been trying to find out the real substance of the universe and the process of its change.

Following Kant's critique of philosophy, a large number of western philosophers are not sure of the problems the Greeks have raised. They remark that the study of the problems of metaphysics is impossible. Among these philosophers, Bertrand Russell is most outstanding and deserves a careful study.

The aim of this thesis, therefore, is to study Bertrand Russell's some points of view, especially as they are expressed in Logical Atomism and then seek to explain some philosophical problems in the light of his theory.

The conclusion of this thesis is that the existence of metaphysical substance is beyond our senses. There are no evidences to accept or to deny its existence. Consequently, problems of this kind cannot be solved, that is to say, the final conclusion is not possible. So philosophy should

rather concentrate in the criticism of the reliability of the knowledge of every science and in the analysis of the meaning of the language in use. This turning point is of great significance in the way that philosophy is to go side by side with other sciences.