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**The Meaning of Being**

**Essential Points**

* What is the question?

 What is the meaning of Being?

 The obscurity of the question due to the hiding of Being

 Being is not *a* being

* The clue

 Being is always the being of an entity

 Dasein as the focus of the inquiry

 Ontic and ontological distinguished

 Being as an issue for Dasein

 An existential analysis, looking for the categories of existence: The existentials; fundamental ontology

* Phenomenology

 Disclosing Dasein's existence in its everydayness

 The hermeneutics of existing

* Being-in-the-world

 Dwelling

 The ready-to-hand and the present-at-hand

 Revealed in the ready-to-hand: Nature, others, and the for-the-sake-of-which

 The genesis of objectification and the possibility of science

 The worldhood of the world

* The “who” of Dasein

 Being-with as an existential

 Dasein as not differentiated from the “They”

 Distantiality and averageness

 The disburdening of Dasein

 The possibility of inauthenticity

* Modes of disclosure

 Attunement revealed in moods

 Thrownness and facticity

 Anxiety as a disclosure of Dasein's having to be

 Falling-away-from-oneself and into the They

 Understanding

 Grasping possibilities; projection into the future

 Interpretation and the hermeneutic circle

 Discourse

* Falling-away

 Idle talk: Listening to and taking part in what-is-said

 Curiosity: distraction

 Ambiguity: Understanding as “They” understand

* Care

 The Being of Dasein

* Death

 Grasping Dasein as a totality

 Dasein as Being-toward-death

 Anticipation and authenticity

* Conscience, guilt, and resoluteness

 Conscience is the call of authentic Dasein to Dasein lost in inauthenticity

 A summons to Being-guilty

 Anticipatory resoluteness as authentic existence

* Temporality and the meaning of care

 Meaning as that wherein understandability maintains itself

 Time as the meaning of Dasein's Being