Insight & Beyond: Lecture 1, Part I: Introduction.

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• Bernard Lonergan’s biography and philosophical career.

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• Lonergan’s philosophical influences: Aquinas, the Social Encyclicals, Hegel, Marx.
• Abiding concern with the philosophical problem of human history.

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• Lonergan’s early studies of Aquinas and their relevance to “insight”
• Reconciling the question of history with the problem of divine grace and human freedom.
• Not only a new philosophy of history, but also a new philosophy of nature.
• In Aquinas’s analogical explorations of the doctrine of the Trinity, Lonergan discovers the importance of insight.

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• Development of the book Insight and its publication.
• Relevance of Insight to 20th century theology.
• Insight as a prologue to Lonergan’s thought on ethics, human existence, and personal relations