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## John Wyclif's philosophy and political theology and their influence on Jan Hus and Jerome of Prague

### *Abstract*

*This tract is a brief discussion of the theological and political consequences of John Wyclif's philosophical innovation of real universal. Its champion, Jerome of Prague, went to the stake for its defence. By claiming that the object of divine dominion is natural being, Wyclif placed the spiritual world in the soul of real persons living as members of a community: receiving spiritual reality from their ancestors at copulation and passing it on to their offspring's. It is sustained by mutual exchange and reciprocal service. The tract is a rational reconstruction of Wyclif's arguments and conclusions found in his tracts on divine and civil dominion and De mandatis divinis, copied and spread by Czech scriptors.*