

man = past actualities (history)
+ future possibilities (politics)

5. we might replace world without end by 'man without end'. After all, this is the true interrogation mark behind all our mental or technical efforts. Nobody who writes an article, does research, recites a lesson, reads / a paper, can fail to seek his orientation in the future. And the speaker who fails to talk people into their future, usually fails to have any orientation himself. One century ridiculed the meaning of speech as invigorating orientation. It lowered language to the level of a tool. It thought of thought as a timeless mind and ~~as~~ language purely as expression of thought. This 19th century stumbled right into the WorldWar. And rightly so. Since it declined to be orientated by its great grandchildren and preferred being directed towards massman production.

Manuscript of Eugen Rosenstock-Huessy, found at Four Wells, Norwich Vt.
5 pp. Date uncertain. My guess: between 1936 and 1939, 1938?
Typewriting by Lise van der Molen, Winsum, The Netherlands. 21. 9. 1988