

The Assumption and Restoration of Human Nature by the Son of God

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Abstract

The whole world was created for man, into which he was introduced as into a paradise, where he was to rule „as a lord and emperor of the whole visible world”. But not only this world is prepared as a palace for the man-emperor who would appear after that, but also the Kingdom of heaven was prepared for him, before him, because he had to look towards it from the beginning of his existence as the Saint shows Grigorie Palama: „Thus at the creation one thing was built first among the creatures, after the first another, after this again another, and after all man. He deserved so much honor from God, that all this visible world was made before him, for him. And the Kingdom of Heaven was prepared immediately after the foundation of the world, also for him, before him”.