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Some remarks about love in the psychoanalysis
of our times

We will locate the coordinates that trace psychoanalysis and its practice, in relation to the conditions and impasses of love life. We will take as a premise the reading of the contributions that emerge from the work of Freud and Lacan, as well as some essayists and writers of our times, outside the field of analytic practice itself, but in intersection with the interests of psychoanalysis.



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Love life is put into play in a particular way in the analytic dispositive, since one of the fundamental concepts of psychoanalysis, transference - among other features that we will work on during the seminar- in the experience of an analysis, is presented with the clothes of love, and this will necessarily "happen" in its stage. However, it will be a paradoxical love, since like love, it is a "promise of separation". We will question the scope and effects that this unprecedented modality of bonding has on the love experience of the subject. This "new love" that Freud called a "true love", and Lacan, a "new love", are presented as clinical vicissitudes of love life, pointing at the dimension of a love that would only emerge after the end of an experience of analysis.

We will also question the springs that lead the transference to find love in its double function as motor and obstacle and at the same time how the analyst uses this particularity in his/her interventions.

In the course of the seminar, we will use some clinical vignettes that will allow us to think about the possible analytic interventions in the field of what Freud identifies as one of the three sources of suffering to which we human subjects are exposed, that which comes from the relationship with our fellow men. Source of suffering, which as this syntagm inscribes in one of its terms, the "source", evokes the drive that is at its base.

It will be necessary to unfold the drive, also a fundamental concept, in the articulations and differences that can be established in this love-drive "couple".

In this journey it will also be necessary to place the emergence of love articulated to the myth of the murder of the father, that aspect of love articulated to desire, since at the source of love is the lack that it would try to plug. The latter is insufficient to encompass the totality of the phenomenon of love, since it does not account for the aspect of *jouissance*, precisely located by Lacan in the "I love you more than you, therefore I mutilate you", and particularly from the Seminar XX, Encore, where "love is in itself *jouissance*", and therefore will necessarily have to confront the dimension of the impossible, in the sense of what "does not stop not being written". Love, "treated" in the analytic experience, will then not be a vain love, and each one in its particularity will have to be able to cope with the cohabitation of two solitudes exiled from the Other.

In this new edition of our itinerary, we will include a brief passage through the articulation of love and trauma. Psychoanalysis and practitioners of analysis need to begin to reflect and draw some conclusions about the effects on love ties caused by the recent trauma of the Covid 19 pandemic.



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