



the early modern world: works in progress

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The Silenus of Alcibiades: conversion in the Enchiridion of Erasmus

For Desiderius Erasmus, the hermeneutics of conversion begins with cognitive conversion, a conversion of the faculty of understanding together with the assumptions concerning the relation between the intellect and the senses. Erasmus's account of *metanoia* in his *Enchiridion* (1503) and its application in his *Novum Instrumentum omne* (1516) provides a useful point of reference for an exploration of a momentous shift in sixteenth-century cognitive ecology.

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tea and coffee will be available 15 minutes before the start of the session

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