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**ST.ANDREW “THE FIRST CALLED” IN BUSQUE AND GEORGIA
AND THE ANALYSIS OF SOME BUSQUE RELIGIOUS RITUALS**

(ON THE BACKGROUND OF GEORGIAN MATERIALS)

The paper discusses the attitude of Basques and Georgians towards St. Andrew protokletos (“first called”) in some of their religious rituals. The analysis is carried out through making comparisons with the Georgian culture and religious traditions with the Basque.

The work consists of two parts. The first part describes the travelling and deeds of Saint Andrew in Basque and Georgia. The second part of the work gives analysis of some Basque-Georgian religious traditions. The work expresses the author’s personal opinion about the questions under discussion.