

Rudolf Nehmer (1912-1983), Reconciliation, 1948



100 EUR

Signature: Rudolf Nehmer

Period : 20th century Condition : Bon état

Material: Paper Length: 30 cm Width: 45 cm

Description

Rudolf

Nehmer (1912 Bobersberg - 1983 Dresden),
The Reconciliation, 1948. Woodcut on
yellowish wove paper, 20 cm x 15 cm
(image), 45 cm x 30 cm (sheet size), signed
"Rud.[olf] Nehmer" in pencil lower right and
inscribed "Matth. 5,24" lower
left.

- The wide

sheet margin somewhat wavy in places, the image in excellent, vibrant condition.

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This

woodcut is part of Nehmer's best-known series, his pictorial interpretation of the Sermon on the Mount (Matth. 5:1-7:29), created shortly after the end of World War II. The print illustrates the verse: When you offer your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar, and go and be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift (Matthew 5:24).

With the

hand on the heart, the reconciliation offered with the arm is accepted with emotion and sealed with a handshake. The former adversaries look into each other's eyes, seemingly unable to understand why they had quarreled in the first place. About the artist

Rudolf

Nehmer studied from 1932 to 1934 in

Dresden at the private art academy founded
by Ernst Oskar Simonson-Castelli under

Woldemar Winkler and, after a brief
interlude at the art academy, was a student in

Willy Kriegel's studio until
1936. After his first one-man show in 1935
at the Kühl Art Exhibition in
Dresden, which was progressive until the

Nazi era, Nehmer was represented at
the major German art exhibitions in the
following years. In 1938 he stayed in
Worpswede. From 1941 he was a soldier on
the Western Front and in Denmark,

in 1945. After the war, he had his
first solo exhibition in 1945. Nehmer was a
co-founder of the artists'
association 'Das Ufer - Gruppe 1947' and in

returning to Dresden from British captivity

1951 a founding member of the artists'
cooperative 'Kunst und Zeit'. He had
numerous solo and group exhibitions in the
GDR, culminating in a retrospective at the
Galerie Neuer Meister on the
occasion of his 60th birthday.