Magie peněz. K apotropaickému aspektu antických mincí

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Magic of coins. Contribution to the apotropaic aspect of ancient coins

Ancient coins were used not only as means of payment in the economic sphere, but they also played their role in the invisible parallel world of deities, daemons and supernatural powers with which the ancient humans were constantly confronted. Besides their economic, political and ideological functions, the magical qualities also mattered in process of creation of the coin image. Coins were used as objects protecting from effects of various negative energies and evil supernatural powers. Based on written and archaeological sources, the religious-magical aspects of coins and their use as the protective amulets or the so-called Charon's obol are discussed here.

• apotropaic; magic; Charon's obol; coin image; amulet.

• apstropajský magis Cháránů obelos minsomý obraz talisman

• apotropaický; magie; Chárónův obolos; mincovní obraz; talisman.