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The Eucharist as the Bread of Life: Phenomenological and Existential Explorations

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For two millennium, Christians, as well as historians, theologians, and philosophers, have developed ways of understanding, appreciating, and living Christ's action of the eucharistic transformation of bread and wine into his body and blood. Many divergent yet mutually complementary ways of thinking about the meaning of the Eucharist have emerged. Of particular relevance for the issue will be Orthodox/Catholic, Protestant/Reformed, or Evangelistic explorations of the phenomenological and metaphysical analyses of eucharistic actions of consecration and reception of the Eucharist.

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