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The role of corporeality in making present and fulfilling the covenant with God on the example of the sacrament of the Eucharist and marriage

Summary:

The purpose of the dissertation is to show the role of corporeality in realizing and making present the covenant with God. Central to the dissertation, therefore, remains the demonstration of the sacramental theology of the body, according to which the body has a sacramental character, since it is capable of transmitting God's grace and manifesting the supernatural reality. The exaltation of the human body and granting it a special dignity is already made evident in the incarnation of the Son of God and in His entire Work of Salvation. The covenant with God is made present in the sacrament of the Eucharist and in the sacramental marriage, for both the Eucharistic covenant and the marriage covenant reveal God's love for man, which reached its fullness in Christ's spousal love for the Church. Therefore, the role of corporeality in the realization of the divine-human covenant is shown in this dissertation using the example of these two sacraments. This is done by outlining the three dimensions that are common to the sacrament of the Eucharist and the sacramental marriage, such as the communion-forming dimension, the kenotic-sacrificial dimension and the ecclesia-forming dimension. The analysis carried out allows us to see the inner connection between the Eucharist and marriage. At the same time, it reveals the role of corporeality in realizing these three dimensions, and thus making the covenant with God present.

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