

Abstract

The Institution of the Eucharist in context of the miraculous feeding narratives

The Diploma thesis “The Institution of the Eucharist according to Mark in context of the miraculous feeding narratives“ studies lexical, intertextual and biblical-theological relations between the Marcan account on the institution of the Eucharist (Mark 14:22–25) and two miraculous feedings (Mark 6:35–44, 8:1–10) during Jesus’ public ministry. The study exposes that in context of the Gospel of Mark all three indicated pericopes are in a key position and significance in Jesus’ mission a reveal an essential aspect of the revelation and of the coming of the Kingdom of God. Beside applying the method of continuous commentary of the mentioned texts the work applies a study of parallel synoptic pericopes, referential texts in the Old Testament and an analysis of biblical-theological themes in canonical relation. A special attention is given to different aspects of the Jewish celebration of the Pesach meal and its relations to the Christian Eucharist, which has its origin in Jesus’ Last Supper and finds an echo in both Marcan narratives on miraculous feeding of great amount of people as well.