SUMMARIES

THE EUCHARIST IN THE CZECH AND GERMAN PRAYERS OF MILIČ Z KROMĚŘÍŽE

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Johann Milič von Kremsier (z Kroměříže), one of the most important forerunners of Hussitism, was the most popular and influential preacher among them. This is why his prayers — never analysed so far either in the German or English language — reveal not only their author's ideas, eloquence and convictions but also something of the sentiments which had been moving masses in Prague at that time. In particular, they elucidate one significant element of the growing movement of Bohemian Utraquism. The analysis of Milic's notion of Eucharist shows that a considerable prominence was given to the corporality of the redeeming Christ as an expression of an intensifying search for a closer relationship between the individual and God rather than an exclusive resentment against privileges and corruption of the Church.