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THE WORK OF A CENTURY: THE CRITICAL EDITION OF BERNARD BOLZANO'S EDIFYING LECTURES

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This article presents the first part of the critical edition of Bernard Bolzano's edifying lectures (Erbauungsreden), which the philosopher gave at Prague University between 1804 and 1813. These lectures, which were held each Sunday and on public holidays during the academic term, were addressed to both students and to an interested public in Prague. These lectures, which are now published in a complete critical edition – some of them for the first time –, are not only of interest from a philosophical and theological point of view, they are also important from a general intellectual and cultural perspective.