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- Understanding the deeper causes of the crisis
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The Church's offspring no longer comes from the families as in the past. The Church has lost its air sovereignty over the individual's body, mind and soul. In keeping with this, its members have a colourful composition that is itself interwoven with the plural society. The debates show that the sense of the Church is no longer clear. They raise the question about which possibilities have opened up for moving people to lead a Christian life. Michael N. Ebertz describes not only these existential caesuras, but also analyses the background and context of the Church's disempowerment – and outlines the direction of possible paths into a future.

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