

The wide spread sale of indulgences by the Catholic Church actually built St. Peters Basilica in Rome at the Vatican.

Greek Catholic or Greek Orthodox split from Roman Catholic Church in 1054 AD. They kept all the false doctrines of Rome excepting: They have: No Popes, Priests may be married and they have a cappella singing without musical instruments.

Pro-test-ant Re-formation

1384 John Wycliffe produced hand written translations of the bible into common english based upon Jeromes' latin Vulgate translation. He died a natural death, but 44 years later the Catholic Pope Martin V had Wycliffe's bones dug up and burned and then scattered over the river Swift.

Lutheran Church: on the eve of the Catholic holiday "all saints day" October 31, 1517 AD Martin Luther who was a Roman Catholic priest, nailed his 95 theses to the door of the church in Wittenburg, Germany showing where the 95 points conflict with scripture. It was not Luther's goal to start a new Church but rather reform the old one. Luther was especially opposed to the sale of indulgences, but, being educated by the Roman Catholics, he kept much of their false doctrine in his new religion.

Lutheranism is based upon the traditions of men, not the Word of God. If you read Luther's augsburg confession, you will see that he believed that God couldn't come to the earth as Jesus without Mary's permission. Lutherans call Mary the Mother of the Church, and in their sacrements and large catechism, they state that Jesus has given her the keys to the kingdom, and they believed that Jesus promised her the Gates of Hell shall not prevail against her. Nothing in the bible teaches the Church is our mother. God's children are not begotten by the Church but rather by the Word of God. Cf:

I Pet 1:23 Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

Creeds: They endorse the the doctrines and traditions of men found in the Nicene creed, the Apostles creed, Athanasian creed and the Augsburg confession.

Matthew 15:8 This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with *their* lips; but their heart is far from me. Mat 15:9 But in vain they do worship me, teaching *for* doctrines the commandments of men.

John 6:63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, *they* are spirit, and *they* are life.

John 12:48 He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day

Lutherians confess: “the Lutheran Church is one of the branches along with other denominations.”

There is no such thing as denominations, Jesus prayed we all be one.

John 17:20 Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; John 17:21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, *art* in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

1Corinthians 1:10 Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and *that* there be no divisions among you; but *that* ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

Luther taught we are justified by faith “alone”. He added the word alone to Romans 3:28 in his translation of the New Testament.

Romans 3:28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.

James 2:20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead? Jas 2:21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? Jas 2:22 Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect? Jas 2:23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God. Jas 2:24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only

The Lutherians baptize by sprinkling or pouring, they say one mode is just as valid as another.

John 3:23 And John also was baptizing in Aenon near to Salim, because there was much water there: and they came, and were

Act 8:38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him. Act 8:39 And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing

The Lutherians baptize children and say: "Children have inherited a sinful heart and the germ of sin in them will soon grow."

Mar 16:16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Ezekiel 18:20 The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him

Lutherians say the Lord's Supper is a sacrament through which forgiveness of sins is promised . There is no such thing as sacraments this is a catholic word not found in the Bible. Forgiveness is not through taking the Lord's Supper.

Lutherians observe the catholic holidays of Lent and Easter. Christ gave us 52 holidays a year the 1st day of the week.

Heb 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some *is*; but exhorting *one another*; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching

Act 20:7 And upon the first *day* of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight.

The church of England began in 1531-1539 AD under King Henry VIII. He passed the "Act of Supremacy" which made him the only supreme in earth of the Church of England". Thus Henry became the pope of England.

Colossians 1:18 And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all *things* he might have the preeminence.

Henry VIII then confiscated the wealth of the Catholic Churches amounting to sum 38,000,000 pounds.

Episcopalians say the church should be governed by one bishop who reigns over a diocese of several local Churches. A plurality of bishops or elders guided local congregations cf:

Tit 1:5 For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee: Tit 1:6 If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of riot or unruly. Tit 1:7 For a bishop must be blameless, as the steward of God; not selfwilled, not soon angry, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre;

Act 14:23 And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.

Episcopalians say the 12 great facts of the Apostles creede are to be obeyed cf:

2Ti 3:15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. **2Ti 3:16** All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: **2Ti 3:17** That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

Episcopalians say what the parents promise for the child at his or her baptism the child is bound to believe and obey.

A redicilous doctrine every bucket will sit on it's own bottom before God cf:

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Episcopalians say a person must obey the 10 commandments because his parents bound it upon him at baptism as well as the apostles creed.

Col 2:14 Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; **Col 2:15** *And* having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it. **Col 2:16** Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath *days*: **Col 2:17** Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body *is* of Christ

Episcopalians say infants are born in sin, inherited from their parents.

Sin is transgression of the law.

Rom 4:15 Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, *there is* no transgression.

We go astray like the prodigal son we are not born astray we are the offspring of God.

Act 17:29 Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.

Episcopalians say Christ died to reconcile God to man. The exact opposite is true Christ came to reconcile us to the Father

2Co 5:18 And all things *are* of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; 2Co 5:19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

In 1540 he chained a copy of his bible to the pulpit in every Church in England. This group has been called “the bridge Church” between Roman Catholic and Protestants. They kept the Catholic sacraments, creeds and most of the pomp and ceremony of the Roman Catholic Church while rejecting the pope.

Presbyterian Church began under John Calvin in 1536 AD

1525-1536 William Tyndale produced an English New Testament. He used Greek, Hebrew and Jerome's Latin Vulgate for his translation. The Catholics bought up most of Tyndale's first editions and burned them. Men who begin by burning books will end up by burning men. Tyndale used the proceeds from the Catholics for his first edition to finance the printing of his second edition in which he printed ten times as many bibles. Tyndale

was hunted by the Catholics and strangled and burned at the stake in 1536.

1535 Miles Coverdale came out with the first printed bible.

1537 Thomas Matthew & John Rogers completed a revision of Tyndale's earlier translation.

In 1539, Johannes Gutenberg invented the printing press. His first book was a two-volume Latin bible.

In 1560 the Geneva bible was published. It was a revision of the Great bible of 1539. It was written against Catholics by the reformers exiled in Geneva. It was the first bible to be written in printed verse. It was popular among the Puritans in the United States.

1568 the Bishops bible was a translation by scholarly bishops.

1611 The King James translation was published. It is also known as the authorized version. This is the most beautiful translation and is well known for its cadence and poetic style.

Baptist 1611 AD began in opposition to the Church of England.

Methodist 1739 AD John Westley began the Methodist Church.

Methodist say the Methodist church is a Church of Christ in which the pure word of God is preached and the sacraments duly administered.

Methodist is not in the bible.

Isa 62:1 For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp *that* burneth. Isa 62:2 And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD shall name.

Act 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Act 11:1 And the apostles and brethren that were in Judaea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God.

Act 11:26 And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.

Rom 16:16 Salute one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you.

Most Methodists clergy do not believe in the virgin birth of Jesus Christ.

Isa 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

Matt 1:22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, **Mat 1:23** Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

2Th 2:11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: **2Th 2:12** That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Methodist say the baptism of children is justified because Jesus said suffer the little children to come unto me.

Jesus was not teaching about baptism, this is scripture twisting.

2Pe 3:14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless. **2Pe 3:15** And account *that* the longsuffering of our Lord *is* salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you; **2Pe 3:16** As also in all *his* epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which

they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as *they do* also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

Methodist say women may engage in the ministry of preaching.

1Co 14:34 Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but *they are commanded* to be under obedience, as also saith the law.

1Ti 2:12 But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.

No member of the Methodist Church may preach without a license.

Act 8:3 As for Saul, he made havock of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed *them* to prison. Act 8:4 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word

1Pe 2:5 Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

**Episcopalian church came out of the church of England in 1739
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