

Written in Hell: An Explosive Document which the Roman Catholic Bishops Do NOT Want You to See

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In an earlier paper, [Why Christians should Never Pray to the Virgin Mary](#), we set out detailed proof that the Roman Catholic Church is really a disguised form of the old Babylonian religion. The paper covered a wide range of issues, notably the exercise of supernatural power by the Roman Catholic clergy, the occult nature of many aspects of Roman Catholic theology, and the pagan roots of Marian worship. If you have not read that paper it is strongly recommended that you take the time to do so. It was addressed, not just to sincere and well-meaning Catholics – who have been utterly deceived by the false version of Christianity taught by Rome – but also to born-again Christians who have been tricked into believing that the Ecumenical Movement is consistent with the Word of God

The Ecumenical Movement seeks to unify all branches of Christianity under a streamlined, non-biblical set of ‘Christian’ precepts. In reality the movement, which has been operating for decades, is an elaborate programme designed by Rome to lure true Bible-believing Christians into accepting the false theology taught by the Papacy. One of the best-known vehicles for Ecumenical indoctrination is the Emerging Church movement.

Our task in this paper – by exposing a little-known and seemingly confidential document once used by the Jesuit Order – is to present in a concise form and in her own words the main heresies and false doctrines taught by the Roman Catholic Church. No doubt some readers will have viewed our earlier papers about Rome with a measure of scepticism, believing perhaps that we cherry-picked the evidence which suited our purpose. However, the plain statements in this document are so compelling that they should convince even the most hardened sceptic that Roman Catholicism is a sworn enemy of Bible-based Christianity .

Masters of Deception

As masters in the art of deception, the highest levels of the Roman Catholic leadership know how to package their message so that, by and large, its non-biblical components are never seen to clash too strongly with the Word of God. The vast majority of Roman Catholics take on trust everything that Rome tells them but fail conspicuously to do what the LORD himself has asked them to do, namely to check and compare everything they are being taught by Rome with the truths set out in his Holy Word. If something conflicts with the Bible, then it is false and must be rejected. This ought to be a simple and straightforward matter, but sadly a Roman Catholic who studies the Bible regularly, in a prayerful and sincere manner, is about as rare as a silver dollar.

The Vatican has taken care for many years to disguise the dark heart of the Roman Catholic faith and to present a benign and caring face to the world. However, two centuries ago the Catholic leadership was both more strident and more uncompromising in the way it stated its position. Since the vast majority of Roman Catholics in those days were either illiterate or very poorly educated, it was a fairly simple task to keep them in line. There was little or no need for subtlety or for what is described today as a seeker-sensitive approach. The Roman church didn't have to worry about alienating Protestants since it had not at that stage embarked on its ecumenical agenda. They viewed Protestants, not as 'separated brethren' to be won over by deception and sweet words, but simply as enemies to be destroyed.

This legacy has left us with a number of valuable documents which reveal what the church of Rome is really like, without the sugar-coated platitudes and ambivalent rhetoric which characterise her 'public' teachings today. In our earlier paper, [Why Christians should Never Pray to the Virgin Mary](#), we quoted extensively from two high-ranking Roman theologians of bygone times – Alphonsus Liguori and John Henry Newman – since their writings revealed far more about the pagan and idolatrous foundations of Catholic theology than just about anything the Vatican has released in the last forty years.

A Truly Disturbing 'Confession of Faith' from 1828

We have since come across an astonishing document, published in English in 1828, which, in a very concise form, sheds remarkable light on the true nature of the Roman Catholic Church – *Formulary for the Renunciation of Protestantism* (See **Appendix A**).

We know that the dogmas outlined in this document are still part of mainstream Catholic theology since, as she often boasts, the Roman Catholic Church never changes. A dogma is never amended or annulled, but simply presented a little differently as occasion demands. In light of this, and given the very disturbing nature of its contents, this is without doubt a document that the Vatican bishops and theologians do not want to become more widely known, especially among Christians. Its brazen statement of Catholic supremacy, laced throughout with blasphemous proclamations and pagan beliefs, is truly breathtaking.

Before we examine it more closely, we should note that the words *execrable* and *execrate*, which occur several times in the document, have the same meaning today as they had in 1828. The definitions given in the *American Dictionary of the English Language* by Noah Webster, 1828, were as follows:

Execrable: adjective - see Execrate

Execrate: transitive verb. Literally, to curse; to denounce evil against, or to imprecate evil on; hence, to detest utterly; to abhor; to abominate.

In short, they are more than just terms of disapproval, but of hatred and revulsion. Though not in common usage today, they bitterly express one's utmost contempt for another person or persons.

Step-by-Step Examination of a Document Written in Hell

We will now look at each proposition in turn and see how this so-called confession of faith, which dates from the early 19th century, assembles itself step by step into a creed which could only have originated in hell. It was intended for use by Hungarians who were converting from Protestantism to the Roman Catholic faith:

“1. We believe and confess that we have been brought from heretical ways and faith to the true and saving faith of Roman Catholics, by the singular care of our high spiritual and temporal magistracy, solely and wholly in consequence of the active diligence and help of Messieurs the Jesuit Fathers, and that we do of our own free will, and without any compulsion embrace the same, and we desire both with our mouths and tongues to make this known publicly to the whole world.”

Note the direct involvement here of the Jesuit Order. It is highly unusual for this secretive organisation to stand in the front line. Normally the Jesuits prefer to work through an intermediary or at a distance from the events they want to influence. Their explicit association with the ‘confession’ would suggest that they did not intend it to be seen by the general public. Confessing converts were likely required to repeat the text as it was recited aloud in their presence, but did not thereafter receive a copy.

“2. We confess that the Pope of Rome is the Head of the Church, and incapable of error.”

The implication is clear: No man is infallible; only God is infallible; therefore the Pope must be a god. The doctrine of Papal Infallibility was not officially announced by the Vatican until 1870. However, as is evident from this document, the Jesuit Order – which controls the Roman Catholic Church – was using it as an instrument of coercion long before that time. They knew it induced the same kind of unthinking loyalty and blind subservience in new converts that the guru-disciple relationship does today among members of a cult.

“3. We confess and believe, that the Pope of Rome is the Viceregent of Christ, and has full power according to his pleasure, to forgive and retain the sins of men, to cast into hell, and to excommunicate.”

This reinforces the thrust of proposition #2. The Pope is portrayed as a god-on-earth, with total power over the individual. If he chooses, he can condemn one’s soul to hell for eternity.

“4. We confess, that all that the Pope has lately established, whether from the Scriptures or not, also whatsoever he has enjoined, is true, godly, and saving; and that every man ought to hold it in higher veneration than the law of the living God.”

This astonishing proposition puts the Pope’s authority on a par with that of the living God. His word is divine and even supersedes the Bible itself. Men are enjoined to venerate it more than holy scripture.

“5. We confess, that the most holy Pope ought to be honoured with goodly honour, and indeed with the deepest reverence, such as belongs to the Lord Christ himself.”

Since the Pope is a god-on-earth he must be revered as such at all times, as though he were Christ himself.

“6. We confess and affirm, that the Pope ought to be obeyed by all, in all places, as their most holy Father; wherefore every heretic who lives in opposition to his institutions, ought, without any exception, without any mercy, to be cast not only far out of sight by fire, but body and soul into hell.”

This is the fifth proposition in succession to assert that the Pope is a god-on-earth, with unconditional authority over all men. All who oppose him are heretics and deserve “without any exception” to be destroyed.

“7. We confess, that the reading of Holy Scripture is the origin of all factions and sects, as also a fountain of blasphemy.”

This proposition is designed to reinforce the belief that the Pope’s authority is utterly beyond question. Should anyone dare study the Bible to determine whether the Pope is acting in accordance with God’s will, he is condemned as a blasphemer and a heretic. Unless a person is given express permission to do so, possession and reading of the Bible is forbidden.

“8. We confess, that to invoke departed saints, to venerate their holy images, to bow the knee before them, to appoint processions to them, to adorn them, to burn lamps before them, is godly, holy, useful, and wholesome.”

This proposition approves and encourages the veneration of idols and the invocation of the dead, both of which the Bible categorically condemns as idolatry and witchcraft.

“9. We confess, that each priest is much greater than Mary the Mother of God herself as she brought forth the Lord Christ once only and brings him forth no more: but a Roman priest not only offers and creates the Lord Christ, when he will, but also always, even after he has created him, he swallows him entirely, at his pleasure.”

This proposition gives a rank and status to a Roman Catholic priest which exceeds that of a goddess and is not dissimilar to that of a wizard or a magician. He has the power to conjure up Jesus at will and to eat him at his pleasure.

“10. We confess, that to read masses for the dead, to distribute and ask alms is useful and wholesome.”

This proclaims that the Catholic Church has the power to influence the destiny of all who have departed this earthly realm. It obliges the convert to accept that the mysterious influence which the priests exercise over him in life will continue after he dies.

“11. We confess, that the Pope of Rome has power to alter the Scriptures, and at his pleasure to add or take from them.”

Incredibly the Pope’s powers are hereby increased even further, to the point where he can change the Word of God at his pleasure. Hubris of this magnitude is a clear mark of a person or persons in total rebellion against God.

“12. We confess, that the souls after death are cleansed by the fire of Purgatory – and that the mass offering of the Priests is their only hope of delivery from it.”

This refers again to the alleged power of the Roman Catholic priests and their ability to control one’s destiny after death. It also introduces one of the most satanic deceptions ever devised by man, the utterly unbiblical concept known as purgatory. It denies the unconditional salvation that is in Christ and supplements it with the sacramental, ceremonial powers of the priestcraft.

“13. We confess, that the use of the Eucharist under one kind is good and safe, but under both kinds is heretical and damnable.”

This proposition reminds the convert that the priest has the power to conjure up Christ at his pleasure by turning ordinary bread and wine into human flesh and human blood. If the convert does not believe that the priest has the power to manifest and control Christ in this way, he will be condemned to hell.

“14. We confess and believe, that whosoever receives the Eucharist under one kind receives the whole Christ, both body and blood, with his Divinity and bones – but whosoever receives it under both kinds eats only so much bread.”

This continues with the theme of the previous proposition, reinforcing the belief that the priest can exercise a mysterious power over Christ himself.

“15. We believe, that there are seven true and genuine sacraments.”

This proposition is a condensed form of a complex idea, namely that the priest is able, through his special mystical abilities, to conduct seven prescribed rituals and ceremonies which can summon and direct supernatural power.

“16. We confess, that God takes pleasure in images, and is known by men through the intervention of them.”

This proposition takes up a theme first expressed at #8 above. It is designed to reinforce the role of idolatry in the life of the convert and to convince him that all such practices are pleasing to God. This proposition completely erases the second commandment from the Bible and thereby achieves one of Satan’s greatest goals. The LORD has made it perfectly clear throughout the Bible that, not only does he not hear prayers addressed to him via idols and images, but he utterly abhors them.

“17. We confess, that the Holy Virgin Mary, should be considered both by angels and men as higher than Christ the Son of God himself.”

It would hardly seem possible to add to the blasphemies and obscenities that appear in this short document. Here the Son of God is assigned a spiritual rank below that of a created being. As incredible as it may seem, the Jesuits esteem the Virgin in much the same way that a pagan worships a goddess. They claim not to worship her, but only to ‘revere’ and ‘venerate’ her. But this is a great deception since they actually **pray** to her, which is worship in the full sense of the word. Proposition #17 makes it perfectly plain that the Virgin is a Roman Catholic goddess and that she is higher than Christ himself.

“18. We confess that the Holy Virgin Mary is the Queen of Heaven, and reigns together with the Son – and that after her pleasure the Son must do all things.”

The Roman Catholic Church has long sought to replace Christ with a goddess. Here the new convert is being asked to do so from the moment he converts to the Roman Catholic faith. In our earlier paper, [Why Christians should Never Pray to the Virgin Mary](#), we examine this vile blasphemy in greater detail.

“19. We confess that the bones of the saints possess great virtue, on account of which they should be revered by men, and chapels built to them.”

Like goddess worship, necromancy is an important element in witchcraft. The body parts of deceased witches and wizards were believed to possess a magical potency. That such objects should be “reverenced by men” is unsurprising in the context of witchcraft, but utterly grotesque from a Biblical perspective. Nevertheless the Roman Catholic Church approves of such practices and even builds chapels over the bones of dead ‘saints.’

“20. We confess, that the Roman Catholic faith is infallible, divine, saving, ancient and true: but that the Protestant faith (which we from our hearts renounce), is false, erroneous, blasphemous, execrable, heretical, pernicious, seditious, impious; whilst on the other hand the Roman religion is complete and perfect in all interpretations, under one only form, good and wholesome; we execrate therefore all other religions which these disputatious and impious heretics profess under a double form [*Lutheran and Calvinist - editor*]. We execrate our parents who have brought us up in this heretical faith; we execrate also every one that ever made the Roman Catholic faith doubtful or suspected by us. Likewise also the Communion that offered to us the execrable cup. Yea, we execrate ourselves, and declare ourselves execrable, inasmuch as we have been partakers of that execrable heretical cup, of which we ought not to have tasted.”

This proposition requires the new convert to curse and revile the Protestant faith and even to denounce his parents for having reared him in it. Extremist language of this kind provides a rich breeding ground for later acts of bigotry and persecution.

“21. We confess, that the Holy Scripture is an imperfect and a dead letter, so far as it is not interpreted by the Pope of Rome, and which it is permitted to be read by every layman.”

To make absolutely sure that the new convert has grasped the basic message – that the Pope is god-on-earth and that the Bible is a barrier to understanding Christianity – this sickening proposition confirms that it is illegal for lay Roman Catholics to read the Bible except under clerical supervision.

“22. We confess, that one mass said by a Roman priest is much more beneficial to the soul, than a hundred sermons of Protestants; and, therefore, we execrate all their books in which these heretical and blasphemous doctrines are contained. We execrate all the good works performed by us while we lived in that heretical faith, inasmuch as they will profit us nothing before God in the last judgment. All this we do out of a sincere and steady mind, declaring by a public recantation of this heretical faith, in the presence of _____ that the Church of Rome in the above-mentioned, and all other articles, is true; moreover we also swear, that so long as we have blood in our bodies, we will persecute this execrable Protestant faith, in private and in public, by violence, and by fraud, by words and by deeds, and even with the sword. Lastly, we swear before God, and the angels, that neither through fear nor favour will we ever renounce this our change, nor ever again turn from the saving Roman Catholic and holy Church, to the execrable Protestant heretical doctrines.”

The entire confession rises to a deafening crescendo in this final pronouncement. The new convert is required to pledge himself to the destruction of the Protestant faith, if necessary by violence and bloodshed. In typical fashion, it approves “fraud, by words and by deeds” toward this end – the Jesuits teach that duplicitous and criminal acts which advance the cause of the Roman Catholic Church are not sinful.

We have no doubt that some readers will be stung by these revelations and will doubt the authenticity of the attached document. If so, then why not check the source online? – the link is provided at the end of **Appendix A**. Many of the beliefs expressed in the document can be found in other Roman Catholic writings, penned by senior theologians and Vatican-approved Doctors of the Church. Our earlier paper, [Why Christians should Never Pray to the Virgin Mary](#), provides plenty of leads for readers who are anxious to establish the facts to their own satisfaction.

In our experience, few Roman Catholics have any interest in matters of this nature. As the Bible says, the End Time will be characterised by so-called Christians who will not tolerate sound doctrine, who will scoff at scripturally-based evidence, and who will listen only to what pleases them.

But born-again Christians need to recognise the danger! The church of Rome is pouring huge resources into the Ecumenical Movement in order to infiltrate, undermine and eradicate true Biblical Christianity. She hates Protestantism and is determined to destroy it. The ecumenical document, *Evangelicals and Catholics Together* (1994), which was signed by many leading figures in the Evangelical church, was a gross betrayal of true Christianity and a clear sign of the approaching End Time.

Indistinguishable from Witchcraft

In higher levels of witchcraft occult power is generated, not just by contemptuously rejecting what the Bible teaches, but by taking its principles and precepts and turning them upside down, by mocking and abusing them, and thereby cursing and reviling its Holy Author. As we have seen from our step-by-step analysis, the Roman Catholic ‘confession’ is actually a rebellious manifesto. Again and again it rejects what the Bible plainly teaches. As the LORD said, “rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft” (1 Samuel 15:23).

Specifically, the document displays many of the hallmarks of witchcraft by

- putting a man in place of God;
- putting human words before God’s words;
- putting a woman above Christ;
- promoting goddess worship;
- promoting necromancy;
- promoting priestly magic;
- dismissing the Bible as a dead letter;
- promoting the veneration of idols and images;
- obliging God to comply with the will of man;
- approving of lying and bloodshed in the cause of Rome;
- replacing the saving blood of Christ with priestly intervention.

Even the Freemasons – who admit to worshipping Lucifer – would have difficulty compiling a document that expressed the same amount of blasphemy in a thousand words. And yet the confession of faith is grounded firmly in longstanding Roman Catholic dogma!

If you are a Roman Catholic, then please reflect thoughtfully and prayerfully on the opinions expressed in this paper. If you are a born-again Christian whose denomination or local church is sympathetic to the Ecumenical Movement or the Emerging Church Movement, then please, *please* alert your fellow believers to the awful dangers facing born-again Christians in the world today.

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APPENDIX A

Formulary for the Renunciation of Protestantism - Hungary, 1823 –

Start of confession:

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End of confession

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