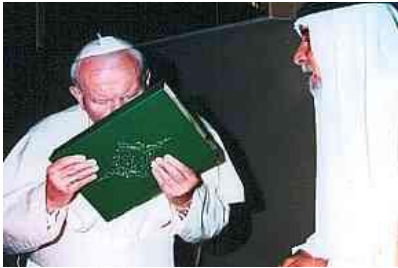


# 10 Reasons Catholics Cannot Be Considered Christian

## 1. CATHOLICS BELIEVE THAT MUSLIMS ARE SAVED.

The Church's relationship with the Muslims. "**The plan of salvation also includes**<sup>1</sup> those who acknowledge the Creator, in the first place amongst whom are **the Muslims**; these profess to hold the faith of Abraham, and together with us they adore the one, merciful God, mankind's judge on the last day. (Catechism of the Catholic Church # **841**)<sup>2</sup>



Pope kissing the Koran, the Muslim Holy Book

**A: Muslims do not believe that Jesus is the Son of God, nor do they believe in the Trinity**

It beseems not Allah that He should take to Himself a son. (Surah 19:35)

O People of the Book, **exceed not the limits in your religion** nor speak anything about Allah, but the truth. The Messiah, **Jesus**, son of Mary, **is only a messenger** of Allah and His word which He communicated to Mary and a mercy from Him. So believe in Allah and His messengers. And **say not, Three**. Desist, it is better for you. **Allah is only one God. Far be it from His glory to have a son.** To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is in the earth. And sufficient is Allah as having charge of affairs. (Surah 4: 171; emphasis added.)

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<sup>1</sup> All boldface and underlining added for emphasis unless otherwise stated.

<sup>2</sup> All references from the Catechism of the Catholic Church will be designated by a bold face number in parenthesis.

Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life:** no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. [John 14:6](#)

He that believeth on him is not condemned: but **he that believeth not is condemned** already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. [John 3:18](#)

In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that **God sent his only begotten Son** into the world, that we might live through him. [1 John 4:9](#)

For **there are three** that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. [1 John 5:7](#)

**B: Muslims do not believe that Jesus died on the cross.**

They killed him not, nor did they cause his death on the cross, but he was made to appear to them as such. (Surah 4:157)

And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became **obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.** [Philippians 2:8](#)

Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of *our* faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and **is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.** [Hebrews 12:2](#)

**C: Muslims do not believe that Jesus rose again but is dead.**

I said to them naught save as Thou didst command me: Serve Allah, my Lord and your Lord; and I was a witness of them so long as I was among them, but when Thou didst cause me to die Thou wast the Watcher over them. And Thou art Witness of all things. (Surah 5:117)  
This verse is a conclusive **proof that Jesus died** a natural death, **and**

**is not now alive** in heaven. (Commentary on Surah 5:117; Maulana Muhammad Ali; emphasis added.)

Who *is* he that condemneth? *It is Christ that died*, yea rather, that **is risen again**, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. [Romans 8:34](#)

But **now is Christ risen from the dead**, and become the firstfruits of them that slept. [1 Corinthians 15:20](#)

For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that **Christ died for our sins** according to the scriptures; And that he **was buried**, and that he **rose again the third day** according to the scriptures: [1 Corinthians 15:3-4](#)

#### **D: Muslims do not believe that Jesus is God.**

The likeness of Jesus with Allah is truly as the likeness of Adam. **He created him from the dust**, then said to him, Be, and he was. (Surah 3:58) **Jesus is no more than a mortal**, and that **it is an error to take him for God, as the Christians do**. (Commentary on Surah 3:58; Maulana Muhammad Ali)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and **the Word was God**. [John 1:1](#)

Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, **I am**. [John 8:58](#)


**I and my Father are one**. Then the Jews took up stones again to stone him. Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me? The Jews answered him,



saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that **thou, being a man, makest thyself God.** [John 10:30-33](#)



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## 2. CATHOLICS EXALT “MARY” TO THE PLACE OF GOD

Catholics teach:	Catholic Catechism says:	The Bible says:
<p>Mary was sinless</p> 	<p>“<b>preserved free from all stain</b> of original sin” (966)          . . . was <b>redeemed from the moment of her conception.</b> Preserved immune from all stain of original sin. (491)          . . .enriched from the first instant of her conception. (492)          . . .<b>free from any stain of sin,</b> as though fashioned by the Holy Spirit and formed as a new creature. (493)          She was <b>preserved from all stain</b> of original sin and by a special grace of God committed no sin of any kind during her whole earthly live. (411)</p>	<p>For <b>all</b> have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; <a href="#">Romans 3:23</a>          Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that <b>all have sinned:</b> <a href="#">Romans 5:12</a>          . . .by the obedience of <b>one</b> (Jesus) shall many be made righteous. <a href="#">Romans 5:19</a></p>
<p>Salvation through Mary</p>	<p>Taken up to heaven she did not lay aside this <b>saving office</b> but by her manifold intercession <b>continues to bring us the gifts of eternal salvation</b> (969)          But while the most Blessed Virgin the Church has already reached that perfection whereby she exits without spot or wrinkle, the faithful still strive to conquer sin and increase in holiness. And so they turn their eyes to <b>Mary: in her, the Church is already the “all-holy.”</b> (829)          In a wholly singular way <b>she cooperated...in the Savior’s work or restoring supernatural life to souls.</b> 968</p>	<p>Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is <b>none other name</b> (speaking of Jesus, see v. 10) under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.  <a href="#">Acts 4:12</a>          Jesus saith unto him, <b>I</b> am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, <b>but by me.</b> <a href="#">John 14:6</a></p>
<p>Mary is a mediator between God and men.</p>	<p><b>The Blessed Virgin is</b> invoked in the Church under the titles of <b>Advocate, Helper, Benefactress,</b> and <b>Mediatrix</b> (969)</p>	<p>For <i>there is</i> one God, and <b>one mediator</b> between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; <a href="#">1 Timothy 2:5</a>          And to <b>Jesus the mediator</b> of the new covenant  <a href="#">Hebrews 12:24</a></p>

	 <p>Mary, Co-Redemptrix, Mediatrix of All Graces and Advocate</p>	<p>My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have <u>an advocate</u> with the Father, <u>Jesus Christ</u> the righteous:  <a href="#">1 John 2:1</a></p>
<p>Mary suffered with Jesus on the Cross</p> <p>(See illustration above. Notice the hands.)</p>	<p>Thus the Blessed Virgin advanced in her pilgrimage of faith, and faithfully <u>persevered in her union with her Son unto the cross</u>. There she stood, in keeping with the divine plan <u>enduring with</u> her only begotten Son the intensity of his suffering, <u>joining herself with his sacrifice</u> in her mother's heart... (964)</p>	<p>Opening and alleging, that <u>Christ must needs have suffered</u>, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ.  <a href="#">Acts 17:3</a></p> <p>Wherefore <u>Jesus</u> also, that he might sanctify the people <u>with his own blood, suffered</u> without the gate.  <a href="#">Hebrews 13:12</a></p> <p>For <u>Christ</u> also hath once <u>suffered for sins</u>, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: <a href="#">1 Peter 3:18</a></p>
<p>Praying to Mary</p> 	<p>This twofold movement of <u>prayer to Mary</u> has found a privileged expression in the Ave Maria (2676)</p> <p>(Prayers to Mary can be found in the Catechism of the Catholic Church #s 2675-2679)</p>	<p>But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, <u>pray to thy Father</u> which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. <a href="#">Matthew 6:6</a></p> <p>Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for <u>unto thee</u> will I pray. <a href="#">Psalms 5:2</a></p> <p>And they stoned Stephen, <u>calling upon God</u>, and saying, <u>Lord Jesus</u>, receive my spirit. <a href="#">Acts 7:59</a></p> <p>There shall not be found among you . . . a necromancer (to seek or ask the dead). For all that do these things <i>are</i> an abomination unto the LORD:  <a href="#">Deuteronomy 18:10-12</a></p>
<p>Every Catholic I have ever witnessed to has said, "We do NOT <u>pray</u> to Mary!" Dear Catholic, I am only using the terms used by your Catechism.</p>		

Catholics also call Mary the Queen of Heaven.

The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead *their* dough, to make cakes to the **queen of heaven**, and to pour out drink offerings unto other gods, that **they may provoke me to anger**.

Jeremiah 7:18

Also read **Jeremiah Chapter 44**. These are the only times the Bible uses this phrase and it is NOT talking about Mary.

Mary is surely blessed among women, and all generations indeed call her blessed. Yet she would be the first to proclaim unto the ungodly Catholic Church that she is NOT the queen of heaven, nor is she to be venerated as they have perverted her blessed state.

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### **3. CATHOLICS PRAY FOR AND COVET INTERCESSION FROM THE DEAD.**

It is a **holy and wholesome** thought to **pray for the dead** that **they may be loosed from their sins** she [*i.e. the Church*] offers her suffrages for them. Our prayer for them is capable not only of helping them, but also of making **their intercession for us** effective. (958) [brackets added]

## A Typical Prayer to a dead “saint”



### Unfailing Prayer to St. Anthony

O holy St. Anthony, gentlest of Saints, your love for God and Charity for his creatures, made you worthy, when on earth, to possess miraculous powers. Miracles waited on your word, which you were ever ready to speak for those in trouble or anxiety. Encouraged by this thought, I implore of you to obtain for me (request). The answer to my prayer may require a miracle, even so, you are the Saint of Miracles. O gentle

and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the Sweet Infant Jesus, who loved to be folded in your arms; and the gratitude of my heart will ever be yours.

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A typical catholic apologist argues in favor of praying to the dead.

In this paper, I will address two objections. First, it is argued that Scripture forbids us to have any **contact with dead people**, and thus praying to Saints is forbidden on those grounds. Also, some argue that it is **not efficacious to pray to saints**, because it is impossible for them to hear our prayers.

The following is the online definition of necromancy:

Necromancy: The practice of supposedly communicating with the spirits of the dead in order to predict the future.

Necromancy forbids us from communicating with those spirits **in order to find out our future**. The means of doing this is magical and superstitious, using such things as seances. Catholicism condemns such things. *[Which must be why the Catholic Church overwhelmingly applauds such wickedness as Harry Potter, et.al.]*The Catholic uses no magic at all. He just **prays for the Saints intercession for us**. [Brackets added comment]

(<http://matt1618.freeyellow.com/prayers.html>)

First of all let us address the issue of necromancy. The King James Dictionary defines necromancer simply as, "One who inquires of the dead". This is what the King James translators intended to express when they used the word 'necromancer'. The Hebrew here used is actually two words; *darash*, which means simply to seek or enquire, and *muth*, which means dead. The Hebrew phrase (וּדְרַשׁ אֶל־הַמֵּתִים) does not speak of any fortune telling but only of consulting of the dead.

Secondly the above apologist claims praying to the dead to be efficacious.

What saith the Scriptures?

**For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD:** and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee. [Deuteronomy 18:12](#)

And as it is appointed unto men **once to die**, but **after this** the judgment: [Hebrews 9:27](#)

For the living know that they shall die: but **the dead know not any thing**, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten. Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any *thing* that is done under the sun. [Ecclesiastes 9:5-6](#)

The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence. [Psalms 115:17](#)

**I have not** eaten thereof in my mourning, neither have I taken away *ought* thereof for *any* unclean *use*, nor **given ought thereof for the dead: but I have hearkened to the**



voice of the LORD my God, and have done according to all that thou hast commanded me. [Deuteronomy 26:14](#)

They joined themselves also unto Baalpeor, and ate the sacrifices of the dead. [This verse refers to idolaters. Note Baalpeor, a false god.] [Psalms 106:28](#)

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#### **4. CATHOLICS TEACH THE INSUFFICIENCY OF THE BLOOD AND SACRIFICE OF JESUS CHRIST UNTO SALVATION.**

Purgatory – The Final  
All who die in God's grace and **imperfectly purified**, are eternal salvation; but **after purification**, so as to achieve to enter the joy of heaven.



Purification  
friendship, **but still** indeed assured of their **death they undergo** the holiness necessary **(1030)**

For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now **once** in the end of the world hath he appeared to **put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.**  
[Hebrews 9:26](#)

And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: [Hebrews 9:27](#)

Purge me with hyssop, and **I shall be clean**: wash me, and **I shall be whiter than snow.** [Psalms 51:7](#)

Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, **they shall be as white as snow**; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. [Isaiah 1:18](#)

Much more then, being now **justified by his blood**, we shall be saved from wrath through him. [Romans 5:9](#)

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. [1 John 1:7](#)

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. [1 John 1:9](#)

The blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin and all unrighteousness. There is no second chance, no postmortem cleansing of sin. **The doctrine of purgatory is a hellish lie of the devil** penned by men.

The Church formulated her doctrine of faith on Purgatory especially at the Councils of Florence [1439-1445 AD] and Trent [1545-1563 AD]. (1031) [Brackets added; dates taken from Catechism pg. 721]

Where was purgatory before the 13<sup>th</sup> century when the Catholic Church invented it in order to perpetrate the sale of indulgences?

This teaching is also based on the practice of **prayer for the dead**, already mentioned in **Sacred Scripture**: "Therefore [Judas Maccabeus] made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin." (1032)

God committed the keeping of His Word to the Jewish people.

What advantage then hath the **Jew?** or what profit *is there* of circumcision? Much every way: chiefly, because that **unto them were committed the oracles of God.** [Romans 3:1-2](#)

The apocryphal books were **never** accepted as canon by the Jewish scribes, were **never** part of the Hebrew Tanak and so are **NOT** "Sacred Scripture" as the Catholic Catechism claims. Even noted Catholics of the past did not accept these added books as doctrinal.

Jerome (340-420) rejected the Apocrypha:  
"As the Church reads the books of Judith and Tobit and Maccabees but does not receive them among the canonical Scriptures, so also it reads Wisdom and Ecclesiasticus for the edification of the people, not for the authoritative confirmation of

doctrine." (Jerome's preface to the books of Solomon)  
[<http://www.jesus-is-lord.com/apocryph.htm>]

The book of 2 Maccabees (as well as the rest of the Apocrypha) is NOT part of God's immutable, infallible Word.

Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which **all that are in the graves** shall hear his voice, And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the **resurrection of life**; and they that have done evil, unto the **resurrection of damnation**. [John 5:28-29](#)

I said therefore unto you, that ye shall **die in your sins**: for if ye believe not that I am *he*, ye shall **die in your sins**. [John 8:24](#)

Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able. When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, **I know you not** whence ye are: Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets. But he shall say, I tell you, **I know you not** whence ye are; **depart from me**, all ye workers of iniquity. [Luke 13:24-27](#)

For the **wages of sin is death**; but the **gift of God is eternal life** through Jesus Christ our Lord. [Romans 6:23](#)

For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth **no more sacrifice for sins**, [Hebrews 10:26](#)

When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, **It is finished**: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.  
[John 19:30](#)

Purgatory does not exist! Save your candles!

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## **5. CATHOLICS TEACH THAT THE POPE IS GOD ON EARTH AND INFALLIBLE.**

**Pope:** The successor of St. Peter as Bishop of Rome and Supreme Pontiff of the universal Catholic Church. The pope exercises a primacy of authority as **Vicar of Christ** and **shepherd of the whole Church**; he receives the divine assistance promised by Christ to the Church when he **defines infallibly a doctrine of faith or morals**. (Catechism of the Catholic Church; Glossary.)

The Pope is also referred to as the **Holy Father**.

## **BLASPHEMY!**

### **God is the Holy Father**

Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for ***thou only art holy***: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest.  
[Revelation 15:4](#)

**Holy Father**, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are. [John 17:11](#)

### **The Holy Ghost is the Vicar of Christ**

And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you **another Comforter**, that he may abide with you for ever; [John 14:16](#)

## Jesus Christ is the Shepherd of the whole Church

**I am the good shepherd:** the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. [John 10:11](#)

Catholics believe:



Only the pope can interpret the Bible

The Bible says:

But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and **ye need not that any man teach you:** but as **the same anointing teacheth you of all things,** and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.  
[1 John 2:27](#)

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, **rightly dividing the word of truth.** [2 Timothy 2:15](#)

Catholics believe:

The pope has “**full, supreme, and universal power** over the whole church, a power which he can always **exercise unhindered.**” (882)

The Bible says:

For the husband is the head of the wife, even as **Christ is the head of the church:** and he is the saviour of the body.  
[Ephesians 5:23](#)

And he [Jesus] 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. [Colossians 1:18](#)

Catholics believe:

The pope enjoys “**supreme, full, immediate, and universal power** in the care of souls” (937)

The Bible says:

Therefore as the **church is subject unto Christ**, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in every thing. [Ephesians 5:24](#)  
Casting all your care upon him; for **he careth for you**. [1 Peter 5:7](#)

Catholics believe:

The Roman Pontiff [i.e., the Pope] ... enjoys this **infallibility** [i.e., the infallibility of Christ mentioned in #890] in virtue of his office...This **infallibility extends as far as the deposit of divine Revelation itself**. (891)



The Bible says:

As it is written, **There is none righteous**, no, not one: [Romans 3:10](#)

Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that **all have sinned**: [Romans 5:12](#)

We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark

place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. [2 Peter 1:19-20](#)

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## **6. CATHOLICS BELIEVE THAT SCRIPTURE IS INSUFFICIENT**

This catechism aims at presenting **an organic synthesis** of the **essential and fundamental contents of Catholic doctrine**, as regards both faith and morals, in the light of the Second Vatican Council and the whole of the Church's Tradition. Its **principal sources** are the **Sacred Scriptures**, the **Fathers of the Church**, the **liturgy**, and the **Church's Magisterium**. (11)

**All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.** [2 Timothy 3:16-17](#)

Preach the **word**; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and **doctrine**. [2 Timothy 4:2](#)

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. [2 Timothy 3:15](#)

Biblical references are a valuable working-tool in catechesis. (19)

Really? Now the Holy Scriptures are a tool for the catechism.

**Thy word** have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee. [Psalms 119:11](#)

The law of his God *is* in his heart; none of his steps shall slide. [Psalms 37:31](#)

And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. [Deuteronomy 6:6-7](#)

Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed *thereto* according to **thy word**. [Psalms 119:9](#)

We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error. [1 John 4:6](#)

To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not **according to this word**, *it is* because *there is* no light in them. [Isaiah 8:20](#)

Sacred Scripture is written principally in the Church's heart rather than in documents and records. (113)

This leaves the Church wide open for error.

The Bible says, "The heart *is* deceitful above all *things*, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" ([Jeremiah 17:9](#))

Blessed *is* he that readeth, and they that hear **the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein**: for the time *is* at hand. [Revelation 1:3](#)

**These things have I written** unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; **that ye may know** that ye have



eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God. [1 John 5:13](#)

Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God. [Hebrews 10:7](#)

Jesus said to the devil, "it is written...it is written...it is written." Matthew 4:4,7,10.

Catholics have added books to the sacred canon of Scripture (see section on purgatory above).

For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, **If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:** [Revelation 22:18](#)

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## **7. CATHOLICS BELIEVE AN UNSCRIPTURAL BAPTISM.**

**Holy Baptism** is the basis of the whole Christian life, the **gateway to life** in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. **Through Baptism we are freed from sin** and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission: "Baptism is the sacrament of regeneration through water in the word." (1213)

Baptism is a bath that purifies, justifies, and sanctifies. (1227)

Baptism is a symbol.



But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer *it to be so* now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him. [Matthew 3:14-15](#)

Therefore **we are buried with him by baptism** into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

[Romans 6:4](#)

Baptism does NOT save but is a symbol of salvation through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. (1 Peter 3:21) One is not regenerated by baptism but by the blood of Christ.

Much more then, being now **justified by his blood**, we shall be saved from wrath through him. [Romans 5:9](#)

Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but **by his own blood** he entered in once into the holy place, **having obtained eternal redemption for us.** [Hebrews 9:12](#)

For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: How much more shall **the blood of Christ**, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, **purge** your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? [Hebrews 9:13, 14](#)

Wherefore **Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood**, suffered without the gate. [Hebrews 13:12](#)

Infant baptism is unscriptural.

The Church and the parents would deny a child the priceless grace of becoming a child of God were they not to confer **Baptism shortly after birth.** (1250)



The Pope baptizing an infant

Infants cannot “believe” therefore they should not be baptized.

Then Peter said unto them, **Repent, and be baptized** every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. [Acts 2:38](#)

He that **believeth and is baptized** shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. [Mark 16:16](#)

And Philip said, **If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest** [i.e. be baptized]. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. [Acts 8:37](#)

Notice that belief and repentance must come before baptism. To top it off, Catholics restrict the post-belief or post-repentance baptism that Scripture demands.

Every person **not yet baptized and only such a person** is able to be baptized. (1246)

This is why the Catholic Church so violently persecuted the Anabaptists who after coming to the Truth forsook their infant baptisms and were re-baptized. Hence the name Anabaptists.

Salvation baptism is blasphemy against the blood of Christ and the work of the Cross.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> Please understand that baptism is important as it is commanded by our Lord (See Matthew 28:19), but it does not save nor does it deliver from sin.

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## **8. CATHOLICS BELIEVE THEY MUST CONFESS THEIR SINS TO A PRIEST.**

Disclosure or **confession of sins to a priest is...essential...**By the priest's sacramental absolution God grants the penitent "pardon and peace." (1424)  
**Confession to a priest** is an **essential** part of the sacrament of Penance. (1456)

One who desires to obtain reconciliation with God and with the Church, **must confess to a priest.** (1493)

**The bishop and his priests forgives sins** in the name of Jesus Christ. (1448)

**Only priests ... can forgive sins in the name of Christ.** (1495)

For *there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus*; [1 Timothy 2:5](#)

I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, **I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD**; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah. [Psalms 32:5](#)

If we confess our sins, **he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins**, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. [1 John 1:9](#)

"We should confess our sins to God, trusting Him to forgive us on the basis of Christ's blood which was shed for our sins. As we trust Him, we will find that as His word says, *He who is just can be trusted to forgive our sins and cleanse us from every wrong.* The idea however, of confessing to a priest in place of confessing to God, is never found in the Scriptures." (Answers to My Catholic Friends, Chapter 9)

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as **God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.**  
**Ephesians 4:32**

Whom God hath set forth *to be* a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; **Romans 3:25**

#### The Sacrament of Penance

By this sacrament, sins committed after baptism are forgiven through absolution by the priest.

To receive the Sacrament of Penance worthily, a person must examine his conscience, be sorry for his sins, purpose firmly not to sin again, confess his sins to the priest and perform the penance the priest gives him.

In future confessions, Helen must tell every sin she committed since her last confession.

*Roman Catholicism replaces repentance with the sacrifice of penance.*

#### **Who does the Bible instruct believers to go to when they sin?**

"My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate (someone who pleads your case) with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: and he is the propitiation (which means God was satisfied with Christ's perfect sacrifice) for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world." (1 John 2:1-2)

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Little Helen is growing up, and it is time for her to go to confession.

My child, you must say five Hail Marys!



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## **9. THE BLASPHEMY OF THE EUCHARIST.**



The liturgical action called the Eucharist is also traditionally known as the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, pg. 877)

The Eucharist is thus a sacrifice because **it re-presents (makes present) the sacrifice of the cross.** (1366)



The sacrifice of Christ and the sacrifice of the Euchrist are *one single sacrifice*: “**The victim is one and the same**...only the manner of offering is different. (1367) [italics in original]

It is by **the conversion of the bread and wine into Christ’s body and blood** that **Christ becomes present** in this sacrament. (1375)

**Holy Communion separates us from sin.** The body of Christ we receive in Holy Communion is “given up for us,” and the blood we drink “shed for the many for the forgiveness of sins.” For this reason the Eucharist cannot unite us to Christ without at the same time cleansing us from past sins and **preserving us from future sins.** (1393)

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.** [1 John 1:7](#)

And from Jesus Christ, *who is* the faithful witness, *and* the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and **washed us from our sins in his own blood,** [Revelation 1:5](#)

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee. [Psalms 119:11](#)

For if we sin willfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, **there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,** [Hebrews 10:26](#)

When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, **It is finished**: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost. [John 19:30](#)

The Communion was instituted as a remembrance of Christ not as a mystical re-sacrifice. **All sacrifice for sin is over.** The body and blood of Christ was

offered **once for all**. No change in the bread and wine happens as Catholics claim.


At the heart of the Eucharistic celebration are the bread and wine that, by the words of Christ and the invocation of the Holy Spirit, **become Christ's Body and Blood. (1333)**

There takes place a **change of the whole substance of the bread into the substance of the body** of Christ our Lord and of the whole substance of **the wine into the substance of this blood**. This change the holy Catholic Church has fittingly and properly called **transubstantiation. (1376)**




For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the *same* night in which he was betrayed took bread: And when he had given thanks, he brake *it*, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: **this do in remembrance of me**. After the same manner also *he took* the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink *it*, in **remembrance of me**. [1 Corinthians 11:23-25](#)

Jesus' sacrifice for sin, almost 2000 years ago at Calvary, was **perfect**. There is nothing you or any church can do to improve on it.



In fact, the Bible, God's Word, says that we are not to crucify the Son of God afresh and put Him to an open shame. (Hebrews 6:4-6)

But through the mass, Satan thought up a way to show Jesus as a continually dying Savior, or a "DEAD CHRIST."



Jesus said His sacrifice was finished, and God's Word says it is never to be repeated. By participating in the mass, you are calling God a liar! The mass is an abomination in the eyes of God.


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## 10. CATHOLICS IGNORE THE SECOND COMMANDMENT.

Consider the chart below:

Catholic Ten Commandments	Actual Ten Commandments	Scripture source Exodus 20:2-17
1. I am the Lord your God: you shall not have strange gods before me.	1. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.	I <i>am</i> the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before me. <a href="#">Exodus 20:2-3</a>
[OMITED] 	2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.	Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that <i>is</i> in heaven above, or that <i>is</i> in the earth beneath, or that <i>is</i> in the



<p>Pope John Paul II bowing before image of queen of heaven</p>		<p>water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God <i>am</i> a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth <i>generation</i> of them that hate me; And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.  <a href="#">Exodus 20:4-6</a></p>
<p>2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.</p>	<p>3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.</p>	<p>Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.  <a href="#">Exodus 20:7</a></p>

<p>3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.</p>	<p>4. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.</p>	<p>Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day <i>is</i> the sabbath of the LORD thy God: <i>in it</i> thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that <i>is</i> within thy gates: For <i>in</i> six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them <i>is</i>, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.</p> <p><a href="#">Exodus 20:8-11</a></p>
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<p>4. Honor your father and your mother.</p>	<p>5. Honor thy father and thy mother.</p>	<p>Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee. <a href="#">Exodus 20:12</a></p>
<p>5. You shall not kill</p>	<p>6. Thou shalt not kill.</p>	<p>Thou shalt not kill. <a href="#">Exodus 20:13</a></p>
<p>6. You shall not commit adultery.</p>	<p>7. Thou shalt not commit adultery.</p>	<p>Thou shalt not commit adultery. <a href="#">Exodus 20:14</a></p>
<p>7. You shall not steal.</p>	<p>8. Thou shalt not steal.</p>	<p>Thou shalt not steal. <a href="#">Exodus 20:15</a></p>
<p>8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.</p>	<p>9. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.</p>	<p>Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour. <a href="#">Exodus 20:16</a></p>
<p>9. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife. 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.</p> <p>(Catechism of the Catholic Church pg. 496,497.)</p>	<p>10. Thou shalt not covet anything that is thy neighbors.</p>	<p>Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor</p>

		<p>his ass, nor any thing that <i>is</i> thy neighbour's.  Exodus 20:17</p>
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Notice Commandment number two and the Catholic removal of the admonition against images. While the Catholic bible retains verses 4 thru 6, the Traditional Catholic Catechetical Formula removes it from the list making the forbiddance of images a minor byword in the pages of Scripture which the Pope has the power to change anyway. (See point 5 above.)

The Ten Commandments aside, what do Catholics believe about images?

The incarnation of the Son of God has ushered in a new “economy” of images. (1159)

The **beauty of images** moves me to contemplation. (1162)

All the signs in the liturgical celebrations are related to Christ: as are **sacred images of the holy Mother of God and of the saints** as well. (1161)



Following the divinely inspired teaching of our holy Fathers and the tradition of the Catholic Church...the figure of the precious and life-giving cross, **venerable and holy images of our Lord and God and Savior, Jesus Christ, our inviolate Lady, the holy Mother of God, and the venerated angels, all the saints** and the just...**are to be exhibited** in the holy churches of God, on sacred vessels and vestments, walls and panels, in houses and on streets. (1161; cont.)



Notice the phrase “teaching of our holy Fathers and the tradition of the Catholic Church”. This is because idols and images are strictly FORBIDDEN in Scripture. So the Catholic Church has made “the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.”

That is Jesus speaking in Mark 7:13.

The Catholic Church has indeed made the Word of God of none effect. Dear deceived Catholics, please hear the Word of God.

Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into **an image made like to corruptible man**, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. [Romans 1:22-23](#)

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.** [Acts 17:29](#)

Neither shalt thou set thee up **any image; which the LORD thy God hateth.** [Deuteronomy 16:22](#)

My people **ask counsel at their stocks, and their staff declareth unto them:** for the spirit of whoredoms hath caused *them* to err, and **they have gone a whoring** from under their God. [Hosea 4:12](#)

And the residue thereof he maketh a god, *even* his graven image: he falleth down unto it, and worshipping *it*, and prayeth unto it, and saith, Deliver me; for thou *art* my god. [Isaiah 44:17](#)

Little children, **keep yourselves from idols.** Amen. [1 John 5:21](#)



The Bible is full of admonition against images and idols. And yet the Catholics erect statues of the queen of heaven (this is not Mary but a false goddess) in their yards and bow down to images. All over the world Catholics are worshipping idols. Do you have an image of “The Blessed Virgin” (actually a false goddess) in your yard? WHY?

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## CONCLUSION:

I have barely scratched the surface on these 10 Catholic doctrines. While these arguments are in no way exhaustive, the succinctness with which I have addressed them is more than sufficient to demonstrate the error and unbiblical teaching in the Catholic religion. Many other doctrines remain which would disqualify a practicing Catholic from Biblical Christianity. Any single one of those I have addressed would do the same.

Christianity is a lifestyle not a system of works and commitment to a false religious façade. Behind this façade is death, for the devil himself stokes the fires of Catholicism having deceived billions past and present.

Catholics are trapped in a system of rituals couched in Biblical jargon. If Catholics believe the things listed they are not Christian but part of an ancient Babylonian mystery religion. Catholicism can be traced back not to the first century Church established by Jesus Christ, but it's foundations are much older, lying in Babylon, erected by Nimrod, he who sets his face against God.

Satan knew Jesus would leave heaven and be born of a virgin to become the Saviour and mediator between God and man... so he devised a wicked plan to confuse the people into putting their trust in a counterfeit virgin that *Satan* created.

After Noah's flood, the survivors multiplied and built the great city of Babylon.



Satan found his "Virgin" – a beautiful witch named Semiramis... and he used her to put untold millions into hell.

Semiramis became the Queen of Babylon and married Nimrod. Historically he was called the husband of his mother.



Satan used them both to create a satanic cult so powerful that it spread around the world and multitudes looked to Semiramis as their goddess mother.

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This lie has been exemplified in the Catholic dogma. By calling "Mary" the "New Eve" and the "Mother of God"<sup>4</sup> {See: **411**, **726**, **2618**} they have sealed this demonic triangle; thus making their "Jesus" the husband of his mother. Whether the individual Catholic understands this or not this is only the propagation of an ancient pagan religious system that is an abomination in the sight of God.

<sup>4</sup> Jesus Christ is the second Adam (1 Corinthians 15:45-47) and God


Do not set your face any longer against God. The Bible calls all men to repentance. Not penance through a priest, but real repentance. This is a change of direction, a return to He who has created you. Repent today. Flee the false Catholic religion which has prepared you for the fires of hell, and run to God who is able to save you. Do not fear your church or priest or the pope.

But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him. [Luke 12:5](#)

There remains only one answer for the Catholic.

My people, **go ye out of the midst of her**, and deliver ye every man his soul from the fierce anger of the LORD. [Jeremiah 51:45](#)

And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her**, my people, that ye **be not partakers of her sins**, and that ye **receive not of her plagues**. [Revelation 18:4](#)

Jesus is "not willing that any should perish, but that <b>all</b> should come to <b>repentance</b> ." (2 Peter 3:9)	
Jesus hates this false religious system. It has blasphemed His Holy Name, His Holy Word, and has deceived billions of people.	
He calls her <b>THE MOTHER OF ABOMINATIONS</b> (Revelation 17:5) and has promised to utterly destroy her, and all those with her.*	
But He loves you enough to warn you, and call you to Himself. Jesus says:	
* <b>"Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues."</b> (Revelation 18:4)	

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Jesus saith unto him, I am **the way**, **the truth**, and **the life**: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

## John 14:6

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, **Christ died for us**. Much more then, being now **justified by his blood**, we shall be **saved from wrath through him**. For if, when we were enemies, **we were reconciled to God** by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be **saved by his life**. And not only *so*, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom **we have now received the atonement**. [Romans 5:8-11](#)

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