

1517-2017 Reformation

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Romans 4:5

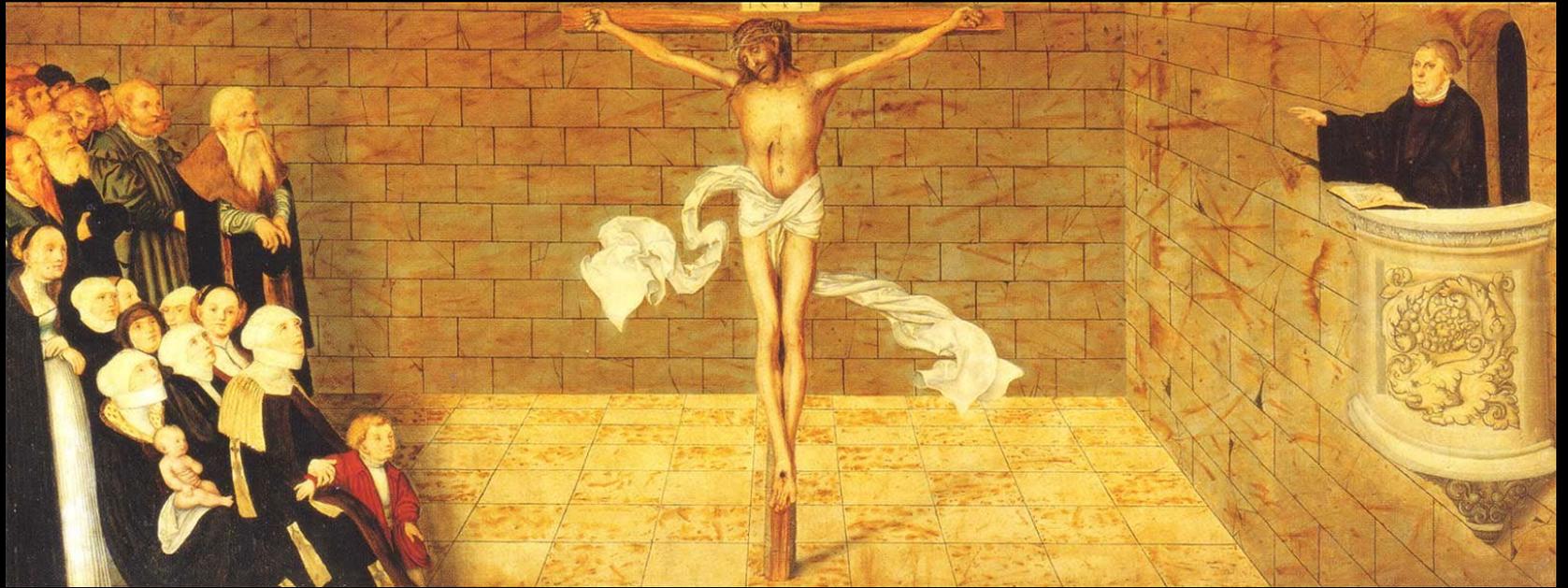
“Now to the one who works, his wage is not credited as a favor, but as what is due. But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited as righteousness.”

Reformation

- Authority of Scripture
- Salvation by Faith Alone
- Practical implications of that:
 - Expository preaching
 - Worship
 - Mass/Indulgences
 - Marriage
 - Family
 - Work



SOLA SCRIPTURA
SOLA GRATIA
SOLA FIDE
SOLUS CHRISTUS
SOLI DEO GLORIA



Life of Luther





With lightning striking all around him, Luther cried out for protection to the patron saint of miners:
“St. Anne, help me, I will become a monk!” The storm around him matched the conflict raging within his soul.

Augustinian Monastery Erfurt



“When I was a monk, I wearied myself greatly for almost fifteen years with daily sacrifice, tortured myself with fastings, vigils, prayers, and other rigorous works. I earnestly thought to acquire righteousness by my works.”

-Martin Luther

“ I tortured myself with prayer, fasting, vigils, and freezing; the frost alone might have killed me.”

- Martin Luther

Scala Sancta



Anfechtungen

- Alienation from God
- Psalm 22:1
 - “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”
- Romans 1:17
 - “For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, But the righteous man shall live by Faith.”

Romans 4:5

“But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited as righteousness,”

“Then I grasped that the justice of God is that righteousness by which through grace and sheer mercy God justifies us through faith. Thereupon I felt myself to be reborn and to have gone through the open doors into paradise.” -Martin Luther

“Learn Christ and Him crucified. Learn to pray to Him and...say ‘Thou Lord Jesus, art my righteousness, but I am thy sin. Thou hast taken upon thyself what thou wast not and hast given to me what I was not.’”

-Martin Luther

“When the devil throws our sins up to us and declares that we deserve death and hell, we ought to speak thus ‘I admit that I deserve death and hell. What of it? Does this mean that I shall be sentenced to eternal damnation? By no means. For I know One who suffered and made satisfaction on my behalf. His name is Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Where He is, there I shall be also.’”

-Martin Luther.



Indulgences



Catechism of the Catholic Church 1995

Indulgence - A remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven....An indulgence is partial or plenary according as it removes either part or all of the temporal punishment due to sin. Indulgences may be applied to the living or the dead.

Indulgences

“As soon as the coin in the coffer rings,
Another soul from purgatory springs.”

- Johann Tetzel

95 Theses



- Thesis 1 - When our Lord and Master Christ Jesus said 'Repent,' He willed the entire life of the believers to be one of repentance
- Thesis 32 - Those who believe that they can be certain of their salvation because they have indulgence letters will be eternally damned, together with their teachers.

- Thesis 52 - It is vain to trust in salvation by indulgence letters, even through the indulgence commissary, or even the pope, were to offer his soul as security.
- Thesis 53: They are enemies of Christ and of the pope, who bid the Word of God be altogether silent in some churches, in order that pardons may be preached in others.

- Thesis 54: Injury is done the Word of God when in the same sermon, an equal or a longer time is spent in pardons than on this Word.
- Thesis 62: The true measure of the church is the most holy gospel of the glory and grace of God



Reaction

- Writing, disputations, tracts
 - *Bondage of the will*
 - *Babylonian Captivity of the Church*

Ex Libris Montis Capon. Dan. cap. 17. 1796.

Bulla contra Erro

res Martini Lutheri
et sequentium.



*Montis Capon
Bibliotheca*

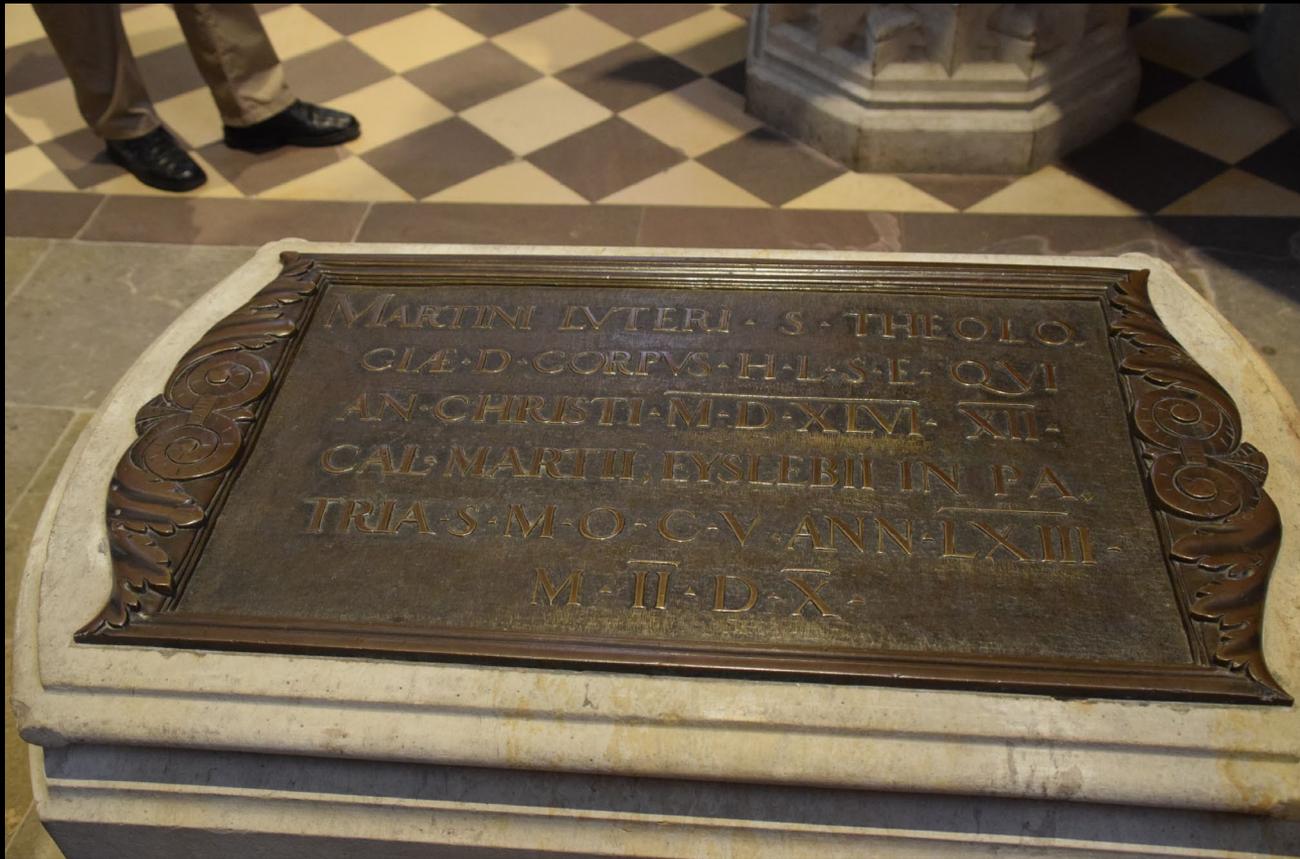




“Since then your Majesty and your lordships desire a simple reply, I will answer without horns and without teeth. Unless I am convicted by Scripture and plain reason - I do not accept the authority of popes and councils, for they have contradicted each other - **my conscience is captive to the Word of God**. I cannot and I will not recant anything, for to go against conscience is neither right nor safe. [Here I stand, I cannot do otherwise]. God help me. Amen.”



“We are beggars, this is true.”



Deeply committed to the Word

- Divine inspiration of the Word
- Inerrancy
- Supreme Authority
- Intrinsic Clarity
- Completely Sufficient

5 Solas

- Sola Scriptura
- Sola Fide
- Solus Christus
- Soli Deo Gloria
- Sola Gratia

- Post Tenebrus Lux
- Iustitia Aliena (Romans 4:5)
- Simul Justus et Peccator (Rom 4:6-8)
- Tetelestai (John 19:30)
- Ad Fontes (Psalm 42)
- Semper Reformanda (Psalm 85)

Reformation 2017?

- Need for Reformation
 - Church
 - Society
 - Our Lives
- Who are the reformers?
- Our Responsibility?
 - Study of Word - Preaching - Salvation - Families-Churches-communities - nations.

Modern Therapeutic Deism

Charisma (“Enthusiasm”)

'Science'

Reason

“In fact **without the ability to engage in rational thought we could not come to faith, at least not in the sense that we know** it. Rational, volitional, spiritual beings are required to respond in faith to a God who is love and who is spirit. Too often a false dichotomy is set up between faith and reason. It is not an either or, rather a both and. Both are **required** to discern and respond to God’s initiative in our lives.”

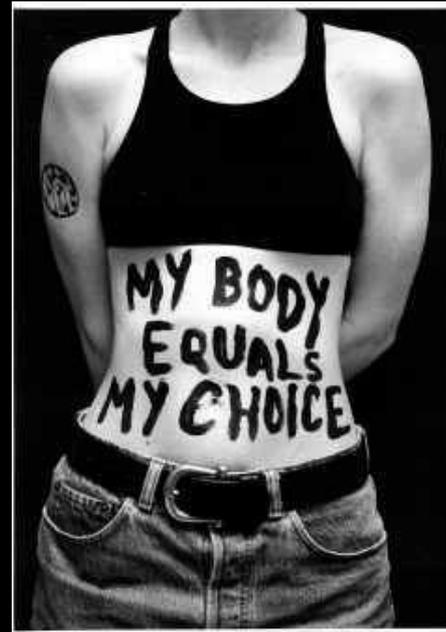
Ecumenism

Meet needs (foremost)

Confusion between politics and religion

Amos 8:11

“Behold, the days are coming”, declares the Lord GOD, “when I will send **famine on the land**- not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD. They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, to seek the word of the LORD, but they shall not find it.”



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Ephesians 6:12

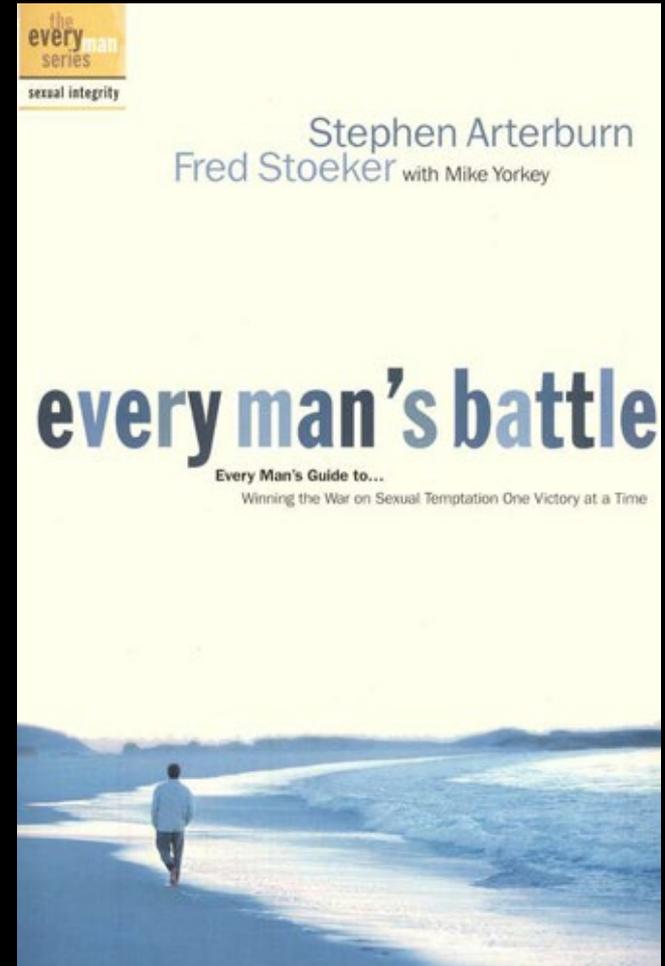
For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

2 Corinthians 10:3-6

For though we walk in the flesh we do not war according to the flesh for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses. We are destroying **speculations** and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ.

Personal Reformation?

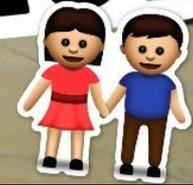
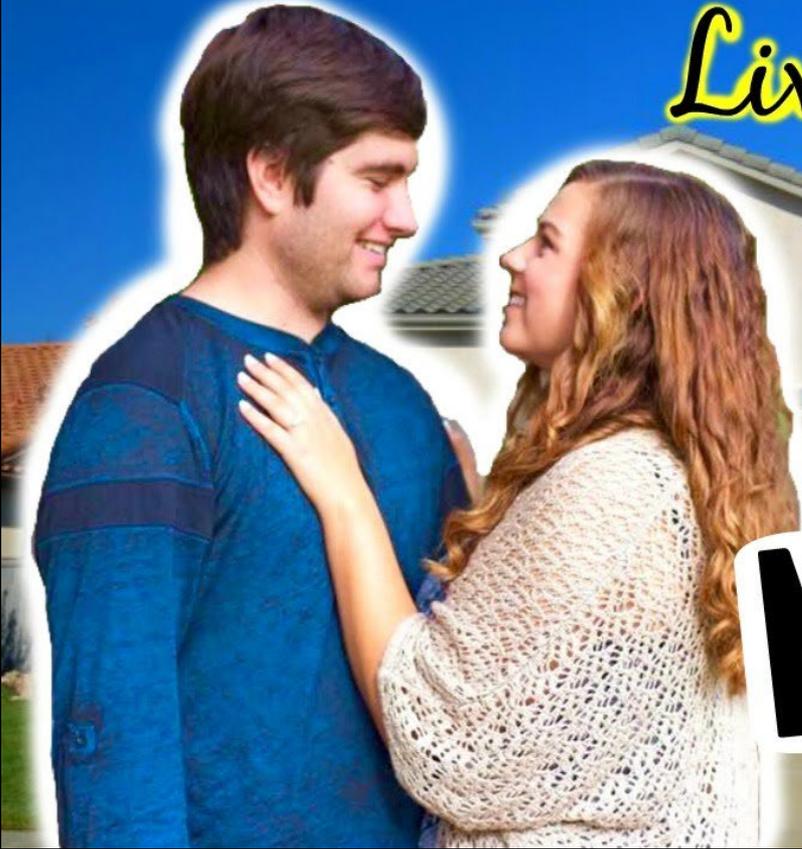
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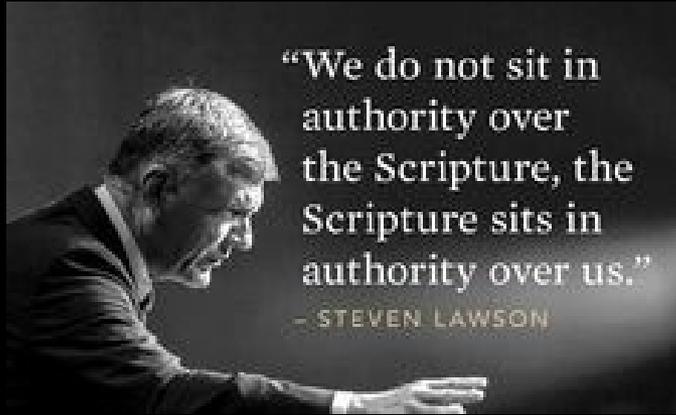


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Core Competencies

- Committed to telling “his story” of God’s work in his life
- Committed to understand and fulfill his biblical role
- Committed to personal Bible study and prayer
- Committed to meet with other men for accountability, fellowship, study and prayer.

Confidence

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Confidence

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.....He who testifies to these things says, Yes, I am coming quickly.” Amen Come, Lord Jesus. The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

Confidence

Doctrines of Grace

- Total Depravity
- Sovereign Election
- Definite Atonement
- Irresistible Grace
- Perseverance of the Saints



Go therefore and make disciples of
all the nations, baptizing them in the
Name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them
to observe everything that I have
commanded you.

Matthew 28:19-20a

The Great Commission

- Where do you see need for personal Reformation?
- Do you believe in inerrancy of scripture?

