### What Does The Word Of God Say To Catholics?

This Roman Catholic Religion Beliefs website is not one of judgment, but of grace and truth and love, to help you see what the Word of God says, so that you can be sure about your salvation, about your relationship with God, and about eternity with God.

In the day of judgment, you will stand before the Holy God, so you want to be sure that your life lines up with His holy Word.

The Bible says, "...For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ." Romans 14:10

God proclaims that every man and woman has sinned; that includes me, you, the twelve Apostles, Jesus' mother Mary, and the Pope.

Pope John Paul II said, "The truth of the Assumption, defined by Pius XII, is reaffirmed by the Second Vatican Council, which thus expresses the Church's faith: "Preserved free from all guilt of original sin, the Immaculate Virgin was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory upon the completion of her earthly sojourn. She was exalted by the Lord as Queen of the Universe...For the Mother of Christ is glorified as 'Queen of the Universe'." 1

The Bible says, "For all men have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23

God proclaims that there is only One who had no sin, His *beloved* Son, the Lord Jesus.

"For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin." Hebrews 4:15

God offered His Beloved Son as a sacrifice for our sins, that we might have His righteousness.

*"For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him." 2 Corinthians 5:21* 

### God proclaims that salvation is only through His beloved Son; not through Mary or the Pope.

Pope Pius XI said, "What will it cost you, oh Mary, to hear our prayer? What will it cost you to save us? Has not Jesus placed in your hands all the treasures of His grace and mercy? You sit crowned Queen at the right hand of your son: your dominion reaches as far as the heavens and to you are subject the earth and all creatures dwelling thereon. Your dominion reaches even down into the abyss of hell, and you alone, oh Mary, save us from the hands of Satan." '

The Bible says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." John 14:6

### God proclaims that salvation cannot be found any other way.

Pius IX said, "God has committed to the Blessed Virgin Mary the treasury of all good things in order that everyone may know that through her are obtained every hope, every grace and all salvation." 3

Pope Pius XII said, "…recognize the Holy, Catholic, Roman Church to be the only true Church of Jesus Christ, outside of which neither sanctity nor salvation can be found. Call them to the unity of the one fold, granting them the grace to believe every truth of our holy faith and to submit themselves to the Supreme Roman Pontiff, the Vicar of Jesus Christ on earth." 4

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

### God proclaims that salvation is by faith in Christ, not by works.

The Roman Catholic Church declared at the Council of Trent (Canon 9), "If anyone says that the sinner is justified by faith alone, meaning that nothing else is required to cooperate in order to obtain the grace of justification, and that it is not in any way necessary that he be prepared and disposed by the action of his own will, let him be anathema (damned to hell)."

The Bible says, "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

God proclaims that there is only one Mediator between man and Him, the Lord Christ Jesus; not Mary or the Pope.

Pope Leo XIII said, "O Holy Mother of God; to thee we lift our prayers for thou, powerful and merciful, art the Mediatriz of our salvation." 5

*"For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all."* 1 *Timothy* 2:5-6

### The Bible says that Jesus is our Advocate and never says that Mary fills this role.

Pope Leo XIII said, "With equal truth it may be said that of the great treasury of all graces given to us by Our Lord for grace and truth came by Jesus Christ—nothing comes to us except through Mary's mediation, for such is God's Will. Thus, as no man goes to the Father but by the Son, so no one goes to Christ except through his mother." 6

"My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." 1 John 2:1

#### The Bible says the Jesus is our Redeemer and never says that Mary fills this role.

Pope Benedict XV declared, "To such extent did Mary suffer and almost die with her suffering and dying Son; to such extent did she surrender her maternal rights over her Son for: man's salvation . . that we may rightly say she

The Bible says, "Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree")" Galatians 3:13

#### Jesus never elevated Mary for worship; He praised those who hear and obey the Word of God.

"And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, "Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts which nursed You!" But He said, "More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" Luke 11:27-28

"Then His mother and brothers came to Him, and could not approach Him because of the crowd. And it was told Him by some, who said, "Your mother and Your brothers are standing outside, desiring to see You." But He answered and said to them, "My mother and My brothers are these who hear the word of God and do it." Luke 8:19-21

### The Bible forbids us to bow down to or worship any image, including Mary, Peter and the Pope.

The Catechism removed God's second commandment which forbids idol worship, and split the tenth commandment in two, to fill the gap.

"You shall not make idols for yourselves; neither a carved image nor a sacred pillar shall you rear up for yourselves; nor shall you set up an engraved stone in your land, to bow down to it; for I am the LORD your God." Leviticus 26:1

"You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God." Exodus 20:4,5

## The Bible declares that the Queen of Heaven incites God's anger. Worshiping Mary and praying to Mary represents idol worship.

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"The children gather wood, the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead dough, to make cakes for the queen of heaven; and they pour out drink offerings to other gods, that they may provoke Me to anger." Jeremiah 7:18

God tells us that salvation is by faith in Jesus' blood sacrifice as the spotless Lamb of God; and that it is not earned by good works.

Pope Leo XIII said, "O Virgin most holy, none abounds in the knowledge of God except through thee; none, O Mother of God, obtains salvation except through thee, none receives a gift from the throne of mercy except through thee." 9

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not as a result of works, so that no one may boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

In Matthew 26:26, when Jesus blessed the bread and broke it and said "*Take, eat; this is My body*," He was not saying that the Communion bread (Eucharist wafer) becomes His literal body.

He is symbolically saying that we need to eat the Word of God, we need to read the words of Jesus in the Bible to be fed, for Jesus is the Word that became flesh, "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth." John 1:14

He is symbolically saying that we need to come to Him and believe in Him alone for our salvation, "And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst." John 6:35

He is telling us to humbly, thankfully remember His dying love for us; that He came in the flesh to suffer on our behalf on the cross of Calvary, so that we could have forgiveness of our sins, and all of His righteousness and blessings would be bestowed upon us.

The Bible never says that Jesus needs to be continually sacrificed in a Mass ceremony. Rather it says that Jesus one-time sacrifice on the cross was sufficient for all sin.

"By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all." Hebrews 10:10

### The Bible says that we should go to Jesus our High Priest to confess our sins for forgiveness, not a priest.

Pope John Paul II said, "Don't go to God for forgiveness of sins: come to me." 10

"Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people." Hebrews 2:17

"Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession." Hebrews 4:14

### The Bible says that Jesus is our High Priest, not a Catholic Priest or the Pope.

"The priest has the power of the keys, or the power of delivering sinners from Hell, of making them worthy of Paradise, and of changing them from the slaves of Satan into the children of God. And God Himself is obliged to abide

"But He, because He continues forever, has an unchangeable priesthood. Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens; who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself." Hebrews 7:24-27

### The Bible never mentions a place called Purgatory and Jesus Himself has told us there is no Purgatory.

As Jesus hung on the cross, one of the condemned thieves turned to Him for Salvation. Even though he did not enunciate all the portions of the Salvation Plan, Jesus knew his heart was broken for sin, and knew that the thief recognized Him as the only Savior of the world.

"Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us." But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong." Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom." And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise." Luke 23:39-43

# The Bible never says that Jesus gave His authority to Peter, to any priest, or the Pope. Jesus has reigned over His church from beginning to end.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." Revelation 1:8

Here's some other things that the Roman Catholic Church promotes that are not in the Word of God.

No exalted positions of the Pope or Cardinals. No prayers to Mary or the saints. No monks or nuns. No required celibacy for Priests. No statues.

We pray that you have eyes to see that the words of the Papacy do not line up with the Word of God.

On the day of judgment, you will stand before the Holy God, and you will account for your obedience to His Holy Word.

Are you going to trust and obey His words? Or the words of a man?

Watch this video from Jacquelyn, a lost Catholic who was saved by grace.

Watch this video from Catholic Nuns and Priests, who were saved by faith in Christ.

## If you're in the Catholic Church, Jesus has lovingly called you to, "Come out of her, my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues." Revelation 18:4

Come out of her and know true salvation, which is by faith in the atoning work of the Lamb of God, Christ Jesus.

This is a very important message on Biblical salvation. Are you saved? Do you know your eternal destination? If not, this video is a must see!

Secure your salvation by a direct relationship with Christ Jesus, instead of through men.

Repent of your former beliefs.

Repent of your sins against the Lord, who alone is perfect.

Profess your belief in His sacrifice on the cross of Calvary, and his shed blood which confirmed His covenant with you.

Declare that you desire to have a real relationship with Him.

Ask Jesus to come into your heart to be your Lord and Savior. Amen!

Start reading the words of God in the book of John, to understand what Jesus really said to you and what He did for you, so that you could have eternal life with Him.

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men."

### Read the book of John @ Studylight.com

You may be thinking that Pope Francis I isn't saying these things, so it doesn't matter.

But Papal statements, known as *Papal Bulls* and *ex cathedra* statements, remain the stance of the Roman Catholic Church, until a Pope retracts it.

They are like a law in the U.S. If a President enacts a law, it's the rule of the land until another President gets the law overturned.

So if a previous Pope proclaimed it and the Roman Catholic Church hasn't issued a retraction, then it is still their official stance.

They have not apologized for any of these statements, nor have they retracted them.

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