



**GROW  
IN  
GRACE  
NEWSLETTER**

PLEASE USE the Grow in Grace Newsletter for your own spiritual growth; and **AS A RESOURCE** to help equip you to MINISTER to others!

Volume 46, No. 41, October 12, 2021 / Southside Baptist Church / P.O. Box 1594 / 1028 South Water Avenue, Gallatin, TN 37066 (615) 452-5951 / **The Grow in Grace Newsletter is a WEEKLY Bible Study**, plus local church news notes— designed first and foremost for members and those attending services at Southside Church; and is sent forth with the desire to aid one and all, (including friends far and wide), in the experience of 2 Peter 3:18. ***"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our LORD JESUS CHRIST!"***

**[Part 2] OCTOBER 2021— THE 504<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROTESTANT REFORMATION! Catholicism IS STILL APOSTATE!**

Joel Osteen, Kenneth Copeland, James Robison, Beth Moore, Rick Warren, (and when they were alive... Chuck Colson and Billy Graham), as well as many others— **have been and are on a serious quest help unite all Christendom with Catholicism.** They view the recent and present Catholic popes as being great Christians. They glow in their fellowship with these Popes. **These Evangelical leaders believe that the Protestant Reformation was a mistake;** and that in order to bring about the unity Jesus prayed for in John 17— Protestants need to re-unite with Rome.

**Rick Warren claims: "We have far more in common than what divides us.** When you talk about Pentecostals, charismatics, evangelicals, fundamentalists, Catholics, Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, and on and on and on and on. They would all say, **'We believe in the Trinity. We believe in the Bible. We believe in the resurrection. We believe salvation is through Jesus Christ.'** These are the big issues... **But the most important thing is if you love Jesus we are on the same team."** (From an interview with Francis Rocca at Vatican City, Nov. 26, 2014, Vatican Television Center, and Catholic News Service, posted at [www.facebook.com/video.php?v=10152421040155723](http://www.facebook.com/video.php?v=10152421040155723))

**COMMENT: WOW!** — He says, *'We agree on the big important matters. We all love Jesus; we are, thus, all on the same team.'*

**PROBLEM: Romanism loves a different Jesus**— one they find in a piece of bread. **Their Jesus** did not FINISH the work of redemption on the cross. **Their Jesus** needs Mary to help him... AND these are just be beginning of problems. **BUT DON'T TAKE MY WORD FOR IT.** We will have a **ROMAN CATHOLIC Apologist tell us!** NOTE: IF I add anything... it will be [enclosed in brackets]... **and the text highlighted in YELLOW!**

## **A Roman Catholic Apologist tells us about Roman Catholicism!**

Karl Keating is a Roman Catholic apologist. As such, he has given himself to defending Roman Catholicism. He has a book titled, "**CATHOLICISM AND FUNDAMENTALISM... The Attack on 'ROMANISM' by 'Bible Christians!'**" What follows are quotes which I gleaned from Keating's book. (For emphasis, I will place some of his words and/or phrases in bold.)

### **Here are quotes from Keating's book:**

"Few orthodox Catholics can imagine themselves leaving their religion for another... To convert to mainline Protestantism, or to collapse into agnosticism, does not occur to them even in nightmares... A change to Eastern Orthodoxy or Anglo-Catholicism is more an adjustment than a real switch..."

**"But fundamentalism?** To embrace it is to reject Catholicism outright, **because fundamentalism** does not just modify, but discards, the sacramental and liturgical core of Catholicism. **One might as well subscribe to an obscure Eastern cult."**

"But the allure of fundamentalism should be taken seriously, if for no other reason than that hundreds of thousands of Catholics have taken it so seriously in the last few years that they have joined "Bible-believing" churches. Many of them have become not just non-Catholics, but anti-Catholics, because such an attitude is the natural result of the logic of their position.

**They perceive a duty to bring into “real Christianity” the family and friends they left at Mass, and bring them they have.”**

**“Fundamentalists regard the Bible** as the keystone of their faith. Their understanding of inspiration and inerrancy comes from Benjamin Warfield’s notion of plenary-verbal inspiration, meaning that in the autographs all of the Bible is inspired and the inspiration extends not just to the message God wished to convey, but to the very words chosen by the sacred writers.”

**“First to catch one’s eye** is the fundamentalists’ reliance on the Bible to the complete exclusion of any authority wielded by the Church.”

[Added: The Roman Catholic Church is the Church to which Keating is referring.]

**“The second** is their insistence in a faith in Christ as personal Lord and Savior. “Do you accept Christ as your personal Lord and Savior?” they ask. “Have you been saved?” they ask. This is unalloyed Christian individualism... **It is a one-to-one relationship, with no mediators, no sacraments, just the individual Christian and his Lord.”**

**“Adoration of the wafer** (host), decreed by Pope Honorius III, 1220AD. What the reader is supposed to think, apparently, is that Catholics worship the bread used at Mass. They do not. What they worship is Christ, **and they believe the bread and the wine are turned into the actual Body and Blood, including not only His human nature, but also His divine nature.”**

**“If Catholics are right about that, then surely the Host deserves to be worshiped, since it really is God.”**

**“Cup forbidden** to the people at communion by Council of Constance... 1414AD... **The Catholic position has always been that after the Consecration (By the Priest) the actual Body and Blood of Christ are contained in the smallest particle of the Host (The wafer) or the tiniest drop from the cup...** In giving the cup to the laity there was a chance the contents would be spilled, so out of respect, the restriction was imposed.”

“As heirs of the Reformers, fundamentalists work on the basis of ***sola scriptura***, and they advance this notion at every opportunity... **The Catholic method** of finding the Bible to be inspired begins this way. It is not, at first, presumed to be inspired... The Catholic Church... tells us the Bible is inspired, **and we can take the Church’s word for it precisely because the Church is infallible... The Catholic believes in inspiration because the Church tells him so — that is putting it bluntly — and that same Church has the authority to interpret the inspired text.**”

“Fundamentalists say the Bible is the sole rule of faith... **Catholics, on the other hand, say the Bible is not the sole rule of faith** and that nothing in the Bible suggests it was meant to be... The notion of ***sola scriptura*** arose when the Reformers rejected the papacy. In doing that, they also rejected the teaching authority of the Church. They looked elsewhere for the rule of faith and thought they found it in the Bible.”

“**Tradition** means the teachings and teaching authority of Jesus and, derivatively, the apostles. These have been handed down and entrusted to the Church... which means to its official teachers, the bishops in union with the Pope.”

“**D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones**... Lloyd-Jones’ trouble, the trouble of all fundamentalists, is that **he labors under the misconception that the Scripture has the last word** and that Tradition built on oral teachings counts for nothing.”

“There is no more confusing topic, when fundamentalists and Catholics sit down to talk, than salvation... **Fundamentalists... conclude** from the Bible that Christ actually promised that heaven is theirs in exchange for a remarkably simple act. All they have to do, at just one point in their lives, is ‘accept Christ as their personal Savior’... It comes down to Galatians 2:20: ‘The Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.’ Christ is seen as one’s personal Savior, and that is why these words are a favorite with fundamentalists...”

**“For Catholics salvation depends on the state of the soul at death. Christ has already redeemed us, unlocked the gates of heaven, as it were... He did his part, and now we have to cooperate by doing ours... As Catholics see it, anyone can achieve heaven, and anyone can lose it...”**

**“The Catholic Church has always understood baptism... as a sacrament that accomplished several things,** the first of which is the remission of sin... Did Christ leave us any means within the Church to take away sin? The Bible says he gave us two means.”

“Baptism was given to take away the sin inherited from Adam [original sin] and any sins [called actual sins because they come from our own acts] committed before baptism. **For sins committed after baptism, a different sacrament is needed... Cyprian writes that the forgiving of sins can take place only ‘through the priests’.**”

**“The inability of the Church to teach error is infallibility... It means what is officially taught will not be wrong... Rome has spoken; the case is closed...”** In 1950, Pope Pius XII, in an exercise of papal infallibility, defined that Mary, ‘after completion of her earthly life’—note the silence regarding her death—‘was assumed body and soul into the glory of heaven’... **True, no express Scriptural proofs for the doctrine are available...** Still, fundamentalists ask, ‘Where is the proof from Scripture?’ Strictly, there is none...”

**“The mere fact that the Church teaches the doctrine of the Assumption as something definitely true is a guarantee that it is true...”** Mary is the Mediatrix of all graces because of her intercession for us in heaven... **grace is not conferred on anyone without Mary’s cooperation. True, Scriptural proofs for this are lacking.”**

This final quote is from a little Catholic booklet,

## **MY FIRST COMMUNION CATECHISM:**

“Every day Jesus makes the same offering that He made on the cross. He offers Himself to God the Father. He does this in the Sacrifice of the Mass... I cannot see Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

Jesus is hidden in the Host.

**The white Host looks and tastes like bread,  
but it is not bread. It is Jesus...”**

### **SOME CONCLUDING RESPONSES:**

**1. Mr. Keating clearly understands the vast difference between Roman Catholicism and Bible-believing Churches / Fundamentalists. He clearly understands that both cannot be genuine expressions of true Christianity.** That reality is something that many Evangelicals and ‘Fundamentalists’ have abandoned. **Have you?**

**2.** All around the world, God’s amazing grace continues to save numbers of folk out of the bondage and blindness of Catholicism. Indeed, lost religionists fill the rolls of all “flavors” of churches and denominations— **It is all a part of the present day Mission Field!**

**3. Some may say,** “But I know some ‘Evangelical Catholics’...even priests — They do not believe the Catholic doctrines Keating has stated.”

### **RESPONSE:**

**(a)** It is common for cults to try to appear Christian and Evangelical.

**(b)** Keating has stated Catholicism’s case accurately.

**(c)** The Holy Spirit has a consistent habit of leading even brand new Christians according to the pure, infallible written Word of God, the Bible.

**(d)** Once enlightened by the Holy Spirit’s ministry of quickening the Word of God— **for a person to then refuse to renounce and leave Catholicism is no different than for a person to claim to be saved—**

**but yet refuse to leave and renounce Mormonism, Hinduism, Buddhism;**

**AND/OR groups that teach, (along with Catholicism), that water baptism is NECESSARY in order to savingly connect with Jesus and His redeeming blood, etc.**

**4. In commendable honesty, Karl Keating plainly states the TRUE Catholic position:** *"To convert to mainline Protestantism, or to collapse into agnosticism, does not occur to them even in nightmares... A change to Eastern Orthodoxy or Anglo-Catholicism is more an adjustment than a real switch..."*

***But fundamentalism? To embrace it is to reject Catholicism outright, because fundamentalism does not just modify, but discards, the sacramental and liturgical core of Catholicism. One might as well subscribe to an obscure Eastern cult."***

#### **5. THE OPPOSITE IS, LIKEWISE, TRUE:**

**To embrace Catholicism is to totally reject Bible-believing Christianity.**

**To embrace Catholicism is to totally reject Salvation by grace alone through faith in Christ alone.**

**To embrace Catholicism is to embrace a different gospel from that which is found in the Bible.**

**OCTOBER 2021— THE 504<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROTESTANT REFORMATION— it was not a MISTAKE and ROMAN CATHOLICISM IS STILL APOSTATE!**

**These facts being true, Bible-believing Christians should LOVINGLY SHARE THE GOSPEL OF GRACE with Catholic family, friends, and associates!**

Grace! Peace! Love in Christ! To All Saints! James

[www.southsidegallatin.org](http://www.southsidegallatin.org)

### **NEWS NOTES:**

**EVERY Saturday, \*\*\* 8:00 AM, 10/9/21 — Men's Bible Study: *THE BOOK OF JOB,***

***Chapters 11-12!*** (Doors open by 7:30am... coffee, juice, donuts, and Hardee's Biscuits are available!)

**\*\*\* NEXT Ladies Bible Study! OCTOBER 26 @ 11:00 AM**

### **SUNDAY SERVICES, OCTOBER: 17, 24, and 31**

**1. \*\*\* Sunday School at 9:30am:** Nursery, Children's classes, Youth, and Adult classes. **2. \*\*\* WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:45am! [Dr. Paul (Bobby) Gupta, Chennai, India, preaching]**

**OCTOBER 17 ... LORD'S SUPPER at the end of the Morning Worship service! // NO HOME GROUPS in October... BECAUSE,**

**INSTEAD... 10/17/21... WILL BE A SPECIAL DAY WITH BOBBY & LINNET GUPTA, from Hindustan Bible Institute, Chennai, India.**

**\*\* They will meet with some of the Sunday School Classes;**

**\*\*\* BOBBY will preach during the 10:45AM service;**

**\*\*\*\* And they will give a MISSIONARY REPORT at the 5:00pm service...**

**\*\*\*\*\* With a SNACK FELLOWSHIP following...in the Fellowship Hall.**

**OCTOBER 24, 5:00pm- Church Wide WORSHIP SERVICE** in the auditorium! A variety of singing/praise! PREACHING: James Poteete!

**OCTOBER 31! ... NO EVENING SERVICES** at the church building

**TUESDAYS: WEEKLY Youth Group Meeting, ages 12 and up ... Tuesdays a 7:15pm... at Jaden and Rhi's home...**

**WEDNESDAY NIGHTS @ SOUTHSIDE:**

**6:30pm— come in back 'double doors' under the Drive Thru awning!**

**\*\* Adult Prayer Service \*\* Young FAMILIES Prayer Service**

**\*\*\* LOVE OFFERINGS UNTO THE LORD BY MAIL or by ONLINE GIVING:**

**SUCH funds, (if checks), make out to Southside Baptist) — MAIL TO: Southside Baptist Church, P.O. Box 1594, Gallatin, TN 37066/**

**OR YOU MAY CHOOSE TO GIVE via ONLINE GIVING:**

**<https://southsidebaptist.breezechms.com/give/online>**

**HEALTH REMINDERS as to CHURCH SERVICES AND as to Responding with WISDOM and NOT fear IN SEEKING TO KEEP AS HEALTHY AS WE CAN— SO AS TO BE ACTIVE IN THE KINGDOM BUSINESS OF THE LORD!**

**1. IF YOU ARE SICK... [OR if you are in a state of high immune deficiency or if (at home or work) you are caring for one who is sick; or if you have • Fever; • Coughing; • Chills; • Headache; • Sore throat; etc.], Please stay home!]**

**2. IF YOU ARE HEALTHY and well... you may or may not choose to wear a mask... WE do not require. WE CONTINUE to encourage FREEDOM as to 'social distancing'... masks ... vaccine choices, etc. — PLEASE HONOR THE LORD, by continuing to give sensitivity and respect one to another.**

**3. In addition to carefulness, good hydration, good nutrition, and sleep— ALSO: SEEK TO BUILD UP A STRONG IMMUNE SYSTEM! I PERSONALLY TAKE ELDERBERRY, VITAMIN C, ZINC, GINGER, VITAMIN D, Quercetin, and a good multi-vitamin that includes fiber... And I have a PRESCRIPTION of Ivermectin... TO TAKE, if needed. DO YOUR OWN RESEARCH! BE PROACTIVE!**

**4. LET each of us DO OUR PART IN personal hygiene. [IF you use the restrooms— please wash your hands with SOAP; and use nearby SANITIZER.]**

**5. HERE IS AN EDUCATIONAL resource from The Association of American Physicians and Surgeons... FROM Doctors who successfully treat covid-19 patients!**

**CLICK => <https://breggin.com/covid-19-home-treatment/>**

**Peter McCullough, MD testifies to Texas Senate HHS Committee. BRIEF. POWERFUL:**

**→ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QAHi3lX3oGM>**

\*\*\*\*\*

The PDF booklet: A Guide to Home-Based COVID Treatment can be downloaded ... focus is on PREVENTION and early treatment!

[COVID Treatment - Truth for Health Foundation](#)

<https://www.truthforhealth.org/patientguide/patient-treatment-guide/>