

1) Baptism is requirement for salvation and keeping the sacraments.

The bible makes it clear that we are saved by grace through faith alone and not of works. Salvation can only be obtained by what you believe in you heart and when you confess Jesus Christ with your mouth.

Ephesians 2:8-9

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.

Romans 3:20

Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

Furthermore the bible makes it clear that Baptism cannot put away the sins of the flesh.

1 Peter 3:21

The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

2) Mary was without sin and a virgin until her death. We should also pray to her.

Mary called the Lord her saviour. Why would she have need of a saviour if she was sinless?

Luke 1:46-47

And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord, And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

The notion that Mary was a virgin until her death is not one that the bible supports. The bible makes it clear that Joseph, her husband, "knew her" (a euphemism for physical intimate relationship between a man and a woman) AFTER she had brought forth her FIRST CHILD. If there was a first child that means there was second too. The bible makes this clear by specifying that Jesus Christ had brothers and sisters too.

Matthew 1:24-25

Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS

Mark 6:3

Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, the brother of James, and of Joses, and of Juda, and Simon? and are not his sisters here with us? And they were offended at him.

Lastly, we see an example of Jesus correcting a woman who was trying to venerate Mary.

Luke 11:27-28

And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed is the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked. But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

3) You can go to purgatory to make up for your sins

The bible never once mentions purgatory. Rather it makes it clear that judgement comes immediately after death.

Hebrews 9:27

And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgement.

4) The pope is Christ's representative on earth. He has the titles "father" and "vicar of Christ"

Jesus Christ warns us NOT to call any man father. So the title "Father" is a direct disobedience to that verse.

Furthermore: The term "vicar" comes from the Latin word vicarius, which means "instead of." Calling the pope the "Vicar of Christ" implies that he has the same power and authority that Christ had over the church and as such usurping the role which Jesus Christ has solely reserved for the Holy Spirit of God.

Matthew 23:9 And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven.

John 14:26-31

But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

5) Statues in the church is not idolatry.

The bible makes it clear not to make graven images. Disobedience of this commandment is sin, not matter what justification you have for it.

Exodus 20:4

Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

6) There is no salvation outside of the catholic church.

In most denominations of mainstream Christianity, you are bound to find saved and unsaved people within their fellowships. Jesus died for the church, the people inside the church. Not the physical building or specific demographics of people. The believe that there is no salvation outside of the catholic church is another form of idolatry and adding works to the finished work of Jesus Christ. He offers salvation by grace through faith only (Ephesians 2:8-9) and church attendance of any denomination is not a requirement for salvation.

Conclusion: When comparing catholic beliefs to the pure word of God, The Holy Bible, without mans interpretation. It is very clear to see the many errors of this religion. If your heart is in the right place and you truly want to follow God and his Son Jesus Christ, then I strongly suggest you read further into this. The bible says that there is ONE MEDIATOR between man and God. That is the man Christ Jesus. When you stand on judgement day, the pope cannot save you, (he will be judged himself), Mary cannot save you. You will stand alone and you will be judged alone.

1 Timothy 2:5

For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;

You have believed another gospel and you are on your way to hell. Repent from the erroneous and damnable beliefs of Catholicism. Pray to God to save your soul from hell in name of Jesus Christ his Son.