

Acts 8:26-35 - Guidance is needed to interpret the Scriptures

Acts 2:42 - Church followed apostolic teaching (no Bibles, printing press not invented yet)

2 Peter 1:20 - Scripture is not a matter of ones own interpretation

2 Peter 3:16 - The ignorant and unstable twist Scripture to their own destruction

Proverbs 3:5 - Do not rely on your own insight

Justification

* Romans 1:17 - The just shall live by faith

Galatians 5:6 - Faith working through love

2 John 6 - Love is following His commandments

Romans 12:9-13 - Genuine love - hold fast to what is good

* Acts 16:30-31 - Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved

John 3:36 - Not obeying is not believing

Mark 10:17 - What must I do to be saved

Mark 10:19-21 - Obey the commandments

1 John 2:3-5 - He who says, "I know him" but disobeys His commandments is a liar

Revelation 20:12, 2 Corinthians 5:10, Romans 2:2-8, 1

Peter 1:17 - We are judged by our deeds

Romans 2:13 - Doers of the law not hearers of the law will be justified

James 2:14-26 - Faith without works is dead

Matthew 25:31-46 - The saved are those who feed the poor and cloth the naked

John 14:6 - Jesus is the only way to salvation

Matthew 25:40 - Reject your neighbor and you reject Jesus

* Ephesians 2:8-9 - We are saved by grace not our works

Hebrews 4:15-16 - God gives us grace in time of need

Romans 1:5 - Jesus provides the grace to bring about the obedience of faith

1 Corinthians 12:13 - No temptation is too great, grace provides a way out

1 Corinthians 12:3 - We cannot even say that Jesus is Lord with out grace

Phillipians 4:13 - We can do anything with Christ (works performed by grace are not our works)

Matthew 7:21 - [that's why] Only those who do the will of the Father will enter the kingdom

Have You Been Saved?

Ephesians 2:5-8, 2 Timothy 1:9, - I have been saved

Phillipians 2:12, 1 Peter 1:9 - I am being saved

Matthew 10:22, Matthew 24:13, Titus 3:5-7, Phillipians 3:11-14 - I hope to be saved

1 Corinthians 9:25-27, Romans 11:22, Hebrews 10:26 - Salvation can be lost

2 John 8, Hebrews 6:4-8 - Salvation can be lost

1 Corinthians 4:2-5 - Paul does not even claim to be saved

Regenerative Baptism

John 3:5 - You must be born of water and of Spirit to enter the kingdom

Acts 2:38 - Repent and be baptized for the forgiveness of your sins

Titus 3:5 - We are saved by the washing of regeneration

Acts 22:16 - Be baptized and wash away your sins

Romans 6:4 - We were baptized into Christ's death that we might walk in newness of life

1 Peter 3:21 - "Baptism that now saves you"

Infant Baptism

Colossians 2:11-12 - Baptism replaces circumcision

Genesis 18:12 - Circumcision took place on the eighth day after birth

Mark 10:14 - Children can receive spiritual benefits

Luke 18:15 - Now they were bringing even infants to Him

Acts 16:15 - She was baptized with all her household (children?)

Acts 16:33 - He was baptized with all his family (children?)

1 Corinthians 1:16 - Paul baptized the household of Stephanus (children?)

Acts 2:39-39 - Be baptized, the promise is to you and to your children

The Mass

Malachi 1:11 - Foresees a pure sacrifice that takes place among the nations (Jews & Gentiles)

Matthew 26:26 - At the Last Supper Jesus broke the bread and gave it to His disciples

Acts 2:42 - The early church devoted itself to the Apostles teaching and the breaking of bread

Acts 2:46 - They attended temple (Liturgy of the Word) and broke bread (Liturgy of the Eucharist)

Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist

Exodus 12:8, 46, Leviticus 6:24-26 - Under the Old Covenant the sacrificial lamb was eaten

1 Corinthians 5:7 - Jesus is the sacrificial lamb of the New Covenant

John 6:53 - Under the New Covenant the sacrificial lamb must also be eaten

John 6:35-71 - The Eucharist is promised

John 6:35, 48, 51 - Jesus says, "I am the Bread of Life"

John 6:51, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57 - Jesus says, "The bread which I give is my flesh"

John 6:66 - Jesus disciples took him literally and He didn't correct them

Isaiah 49:26, Micah 3:3 - To symbolically eat ones flesh meant to do harm

Matthew 26:26 - The Eucharist is instituted, "This is my body this is my blood"

1 Corinthians 10:16 - The bread and wine are a participation in the body and blood of Christ

1 Corinthians 11:27-29 - Receiving unworthily is profaning the body and blood of the Lord

Confession / Reconciliation

Mark 2:5 - Jesus forgives sins

John 20:21 - Jesus says: "As I have been sent so I send you"

2 Corinthians 5:18 - Christ gave us the ministry of reconciliation

John 20:23 - If you (the apostles and their successors) forgive the sins of any they are forgiven

John 20:23 - If you (the apostles and their successors) retain the sins of any they are retained

Matthew 6:15 - Believers may not retain the sins of anyone

Romans 2:4 - Do you not know that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?

Acts 3:19 - Repentance needed for forgiveness

Purgatory

Numbers 20:12 - Moses and Aaron, though forgiven, are still punished

2 Samuel 12:13-14 - David, though forgiven, is still punished

1 John 5:17 - There is sin that is not deadly

Revelation 21:27 - Nothing unclean shall enter heaven

Hebrews 12:23 - All in heaven have been made perfect

Matthew 12:36 - On judgment day men will account for every careless word they uttered

Matthew 18:23-35 - In the kingdom of heaven you will remain in prison until your debt is paid

1 Corinthians 3:11-15 - Fire will test each ones work. He will be saved but only as through fire

Luke 12:41-48 - There are different degrees of punishment after death

2 Maccabees 12:42-46 - He prayed for the dead that they might be freed from their sin

2 Timothy 1:16-18 - Paul prays for his dead friend

Praying to Saints

* Deuteronomy 18:10-11 - Praying to saints is divination?

1 Samuel 28:3-14 - Divination is conjuring information from the dead (not asking for their prayers)

1 Corinthians 12:13 - We are all baptized into one body

Romans 12:5 - We are one body and individually members of one another

Colossians 1:18 - Christ is the head of the body

Romans 8:35-39 - Death cannot separate us from Christ (or the rest of the body either)

1 Corinthians 12:26 - If one suffers all suffer

Galatians 6:2 - We are to bear one another's burdens

James 5:16 - We are to pray for one another

James 5:16 - The prayer of the righteous has great power

Luke 15:7 - Those in heaven (very righteous) care for us

Revelation 4:8 - Those in heaven pray constantly

Matthew 18:10 - The angels pray for us

Revelation 5:8 - The angels and saints present our prayers to God

Revelation 8:3-4 - The angels add their prayers to ours and present them to God

Mary Ever-Virgin

* Matthew 1:25 - Joseph knew her not until she had born a son

Luke 1:80 - The word until in Greek does not imply that anything happened after the fact
Matthew 13:55 - Are not His (Jesus) brethren James and Joseph and Simon and Judas
Matthew 27:56 - Mary the mother of James and Joseph is -

John 19:25 - Mary the wife of Clopas (not Joseph)
Matthew 28:10 - Jesus said, "Tell my brethren to go to Galilee and there they will see me"
Matthew 28:16 - The eleven disciples went to Galilee (Are they His siblings too?)
Mark 6:3 - Jesus is the son of Mary not a son of Mary
John 19:26 - Jesus entrusted the care of His mother to the apostle John as He had no siblings

The Immaculate Conception

Genesis 3:15 - Enmity between Satan and Mary (if she sinned there would be no enmity)
* Romans 3:23 - All have sinned (Paul is saying there is no advantage for Jew or Gentile)
Luke 1:28 - "Hail full of grace," in Greek indicates something that was completed in the past
* Luke 1:47 - "My spirit rejoices in God my savior" (Jesus saved Mary by preserving her from sin)

The Assumption

2 Kings 2:1-13 - Elijah is assumed into heaven
Hebrews 11:5 - Enoch is assumed into heaven
John 5:28-29 - The righteous will be assumed into heaven

Statues and Images

* Exodus 20:4-5 - You shall not make a graven image...you shall not bow down and serve them
Exodus 25:18 - "And you shall make two cherubim of gold (for the Ark of the Covenant)"
Exodus 26:1 - Curtains by the ark have cherubim on them
Exodus 26:31 - The linen veil had cherubim placed on it
Numbers 21:8-9 - The Lord tells Moses to make the bronze serpent (did He forget Exodus 20?)
1 Kings 6:23 - By God's design, the temple had engraved cherubim
1 Kings 6:35 - Doors in the temple had carved cherubim
1 Kings 7:25-45 - By God's design, the temple had bronze oxen and lions

Relics

2 Kings 13:20-21 - A dead man comes to life after touching the bones of Elisha
Matthew 9:20-22 - Woman cured by touching Jesus' garment
Acts 19:11-12 - People were healed by handkerchiefs or aprons that touched Paul

The Trinity

Genesis 18:1-2 - And the Lord appeared to him...he beheld three men

Genesis 1:26-27 - God says: "Let us make man in our image...God made man in His image"
Matthew 28:19 - Baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit
2 Corinthians 13:14 - The grace of Jesus, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit

Jesus is God

Isaiah 9:5-6 - Prophecy concerning Jesus: "He will be called...Mighty God"
John 1:1 - Jesus is the Word and the Word is God
John 8:58 - Jesus claims to be the great "I Am" (God, Exodus 3:14)
John 10:30-33 - Jesus said: "The Father and I are one"
John 10:38 - Jesus said: "I am in the Father and the Father is in me"
John 14:9 - Jesus said: He who sees me sees the Father
John 20:28 - Jesus accepts Thomas calling Him "My Lord and my God"
Colossians 2:9 - In Him (Jesus) dwells the fullness of deity
Titus 2:13 - Awaiting our great God and Savior Jesus Christ

The Holy Spirit is God

Acts 5:3-4 - Lying to the Holy Spirit is lying to God
2 Corinthians 3:17-18 - The Lord is the Spirit
Hebrews 3:7-9 - The Holy Spirit claims to be God

The Holy Spirit is a Person Not a Force

John 14:26 - The Holy Spirit will teach you all things
Acts 13:2 - The Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul"
Romans 8:27 - The Spirit intercedes for the saints
1 Corinthians 2:11 - No one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit
1 Corinthians 12:11 - The Spirit apportions to each one as He wills
Ephesians 4:30 - Do not grieve the Holy Spirit

Divorce and Remarriage

Malachi 2:14-16 - For I hate divorce says the Lord
Matthew 5:31-32 - Whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery
Matthew 19:9, Mark 10:10-12 - Whoever divorces and marries another commits adultery
Luke 16:18 - Divorce and remarriage is adultery
Romans 7:2-3 - A woman is bound to her husband for life. If she lives with another it's adultery
1 Corinthians 7:10-11 - When divorce is necessary remain single or reconcile

* Denotes a verse that is used in opposition to Catholic teaching

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Doctrinal Concordance Of the Bible

The Church

Matthew 16:18 - Jesus protects His Church
Matthew 28:20 - He promises to be with His Church always
John 16:13 - The Holy Spirit guides the Church into all truth
1 Timothy 3:15 - The Church (not the Bible) is the pillar and foundation of truth
Matthew 18:17-18 - If someone refuses to listen to the Church cast him out
Matthew 28:18-20 - Church authority is Jesus' authority
1 John 4:6 - Anyone who knows God listens to the Church
Luke 10:16 - He who rejects the Church rejects Christ
Matthew 16:19 - The Church has power to legislate
Acts 15:28 - Decisions of the Church are decisions of the Holy Spirit
Acts 15:6-29 - Apostles and elders settle disputes authoritatively through councils
Acts 16:4 - People are to observe the decisions of the Apostles and elders
Acts 1:25 - The Apostles choose successors (bishops)
Titus 1:5 - Bishops appoint presbyters (priests)
1 Peter 5:5 - Be subject to the elders
Hebrews 13:17 - Obey your leaders and submit to them
1 Corinthians 1:10 - There must be no divisions
Ephesians 4:4-5 - There is one body, one Lord, one faith and one baptism

The Pope / Infallibility

John 1:42 - Simon is named Cephas which means rock
1 Corinthians 1:12, 3:22, 9:5, 15:5, Galatians 2:9, 2:11, and 2:14 - Paul refers to Peter as Cephas
Matthew 16:18 - Jesus builds His Church on Peter the rock
Matthew 16:19 - Jesus gives Peter the keys of the kingdom, the power to loose and bind
John 21:15-17 - Jesus entrusts His sheep to Peter
Luke 22:32 - Jesus tells Peter to strengthen his brethren
Acts 1:15-26 - Peter presided over the meeting that elected Matthias to replace Judas
Acts 2:14-42 - Peter preached the first public sermon (Pentecost)
Acts 3:6-8 - Peter performs the first miracle after Pentecost
Acts 5:1-11 - Peter inflicts the first punishment
Acts 10:9-16 - It is revealed to Peter that Gentiles can be admitted into the Church
Acts 10:44-48 - Peter baptizes the first Gentiles
Matthew 10:2-4, Mark 16:19, Luke 6:14-16, Acts 1:13 - Peter is always listed first

The Bible Alone?

* 2 Timothy 3:16-17 - Scripture is profitable for teaching, that the man of God may be complete
1 Timothy 3:15 - The Church (not the Bible) is the pillar and foundation of truth