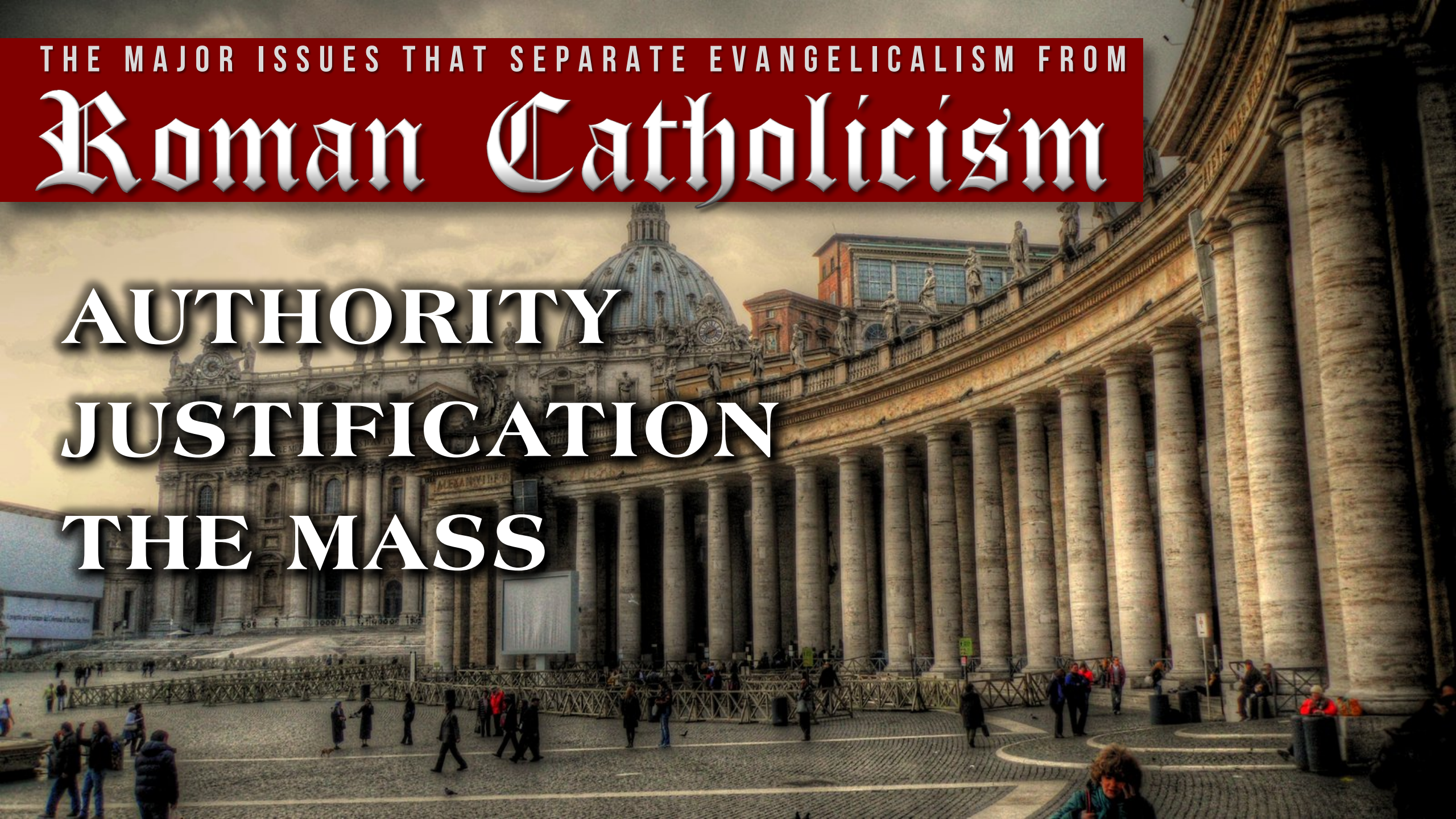


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# THE DOCTRINE OF THE MASS



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Matthew 26:26

26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body."

27 Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you."

28 For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

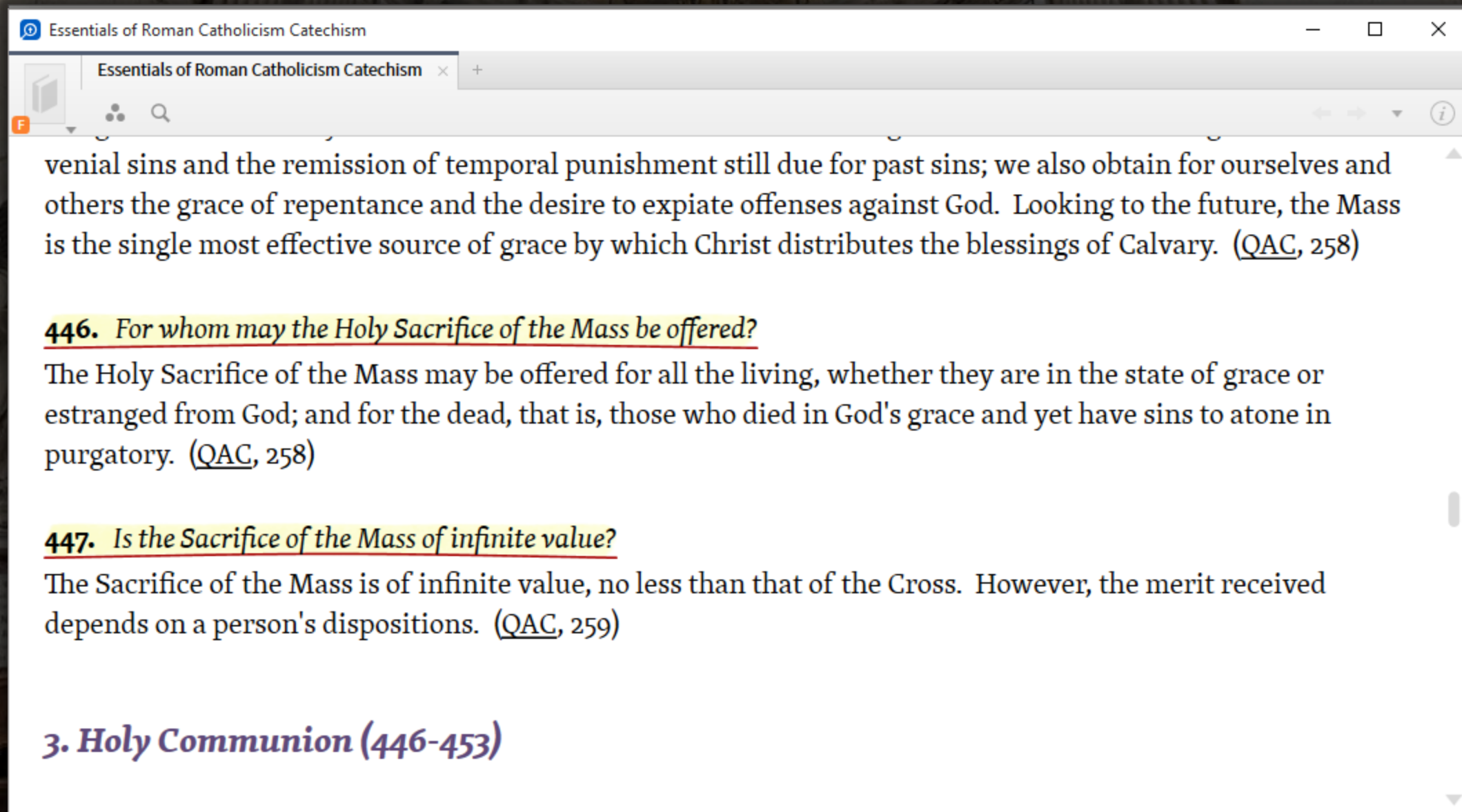
29 But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom."

30 And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

## THE FIRST MASS



# THE DOCTRINE OF THE MASS



venial sins and the remission of temporal punishment still due for past sins; we also obtain for ourselves and others the grace of repentance and the desire to expiate offenses against God. Looking to the future, the Mass is the single most effective source of grace by which Christ distributes the blessings of Calvary. (QAC, 258)

**446. For whom may the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass be offered?**

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass may be offered for all the living, whether they are in the state of grace or estranged from God; and for the dead, that is, those who died in God's grace and yet have sins to atone in purgatory. (QAC, 258)

**447. Is the Sacrifice of the Mass of infinite value?**

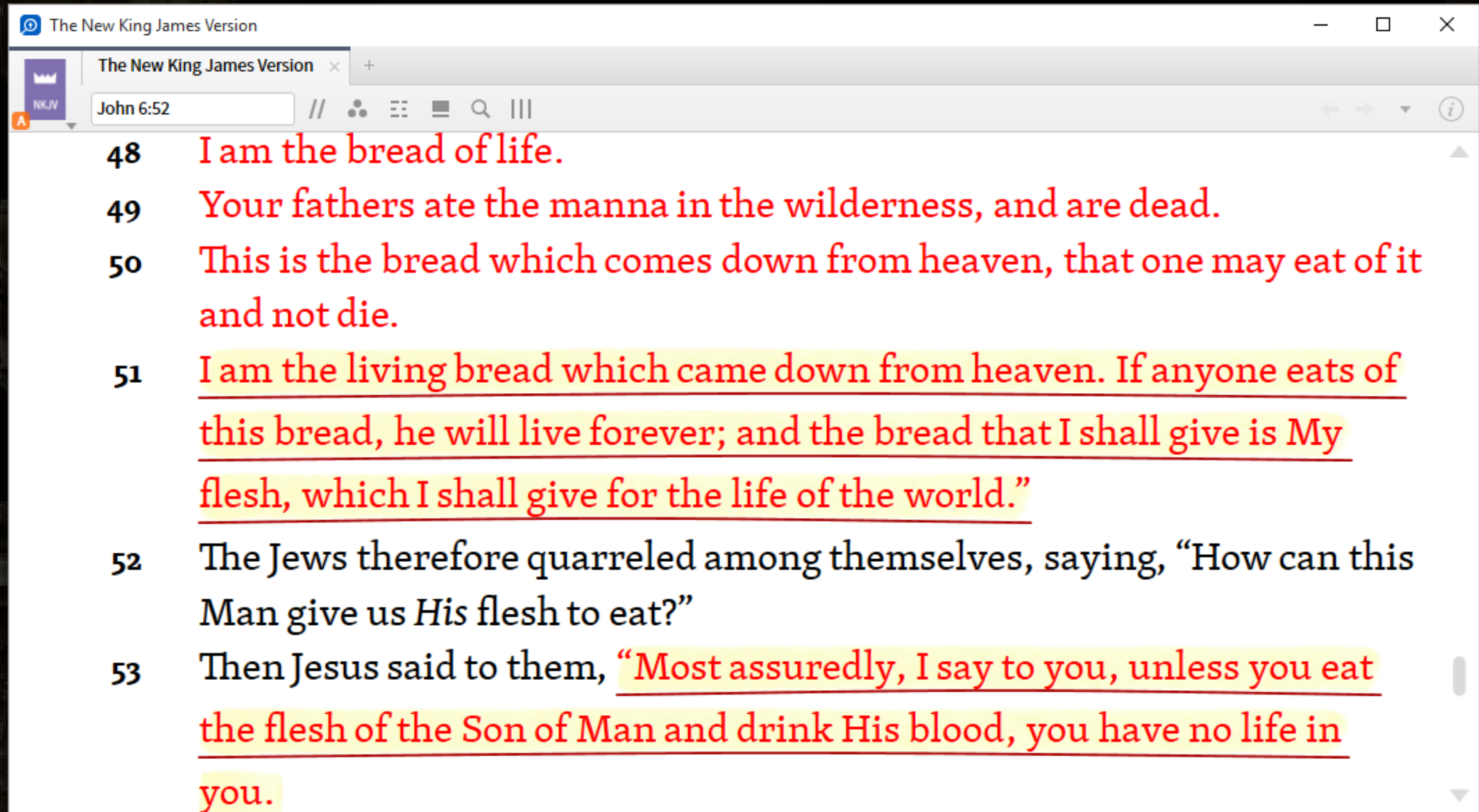
The Sacrifice of the Mass is of infinite value, no less than that of the Cross. However, the merit received depends on a person's dispositions. (QAC, 259)

**3. Holy Communion (446-453)**

## THE REAL SACRIFICE



# THE DOCTRINE OF THE MASS



## THE REAL PRESENCE



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one who is conscious of being guilty of mortal sin, however repentant he may feel, may receive Holy Communion until he has received sacramental absolution. (QAC, 260,61)

**453. Must we confess venial sins before receiving Holy Communion?**

We need not confess venial sins before receiving Holy Communion although it is useful to do so. By purifying the soul, the sacrament of penance removes many obstacles that prevent the soul from receiving precious benefits from Holy Communion. (QAC, 261)

**454. What is Holy Communion as viaticum?**

Holy Communion as viaticum is the reception of the Holy Eucharist by one who is in probable danger of death. (QAC, 262)

**455. Is it obligatory to receive viaticum?**

Yes, the faithful who are in danger of death from any cause whatsoever are obliged to receive Holy Communion as viaticum. (QAC, 262)

## EFFECTS OF HOLY COMMUNION



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John 6:58

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53 Then Jesus said to them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you.

54 Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

55 For My flesh is food indeed, and My blood is drink indeed.

56 He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him.

57 As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so he who feeds on Me will live because of Me.

58 This is the bread which came down from heaven—not as your fathers ate the manna, and are dead. He who eats this bread will live forever.”

59 These things He said in the synagogue as He taught in Capernaum.

## THE REAL PRESENCE AND JOHN CH. 6



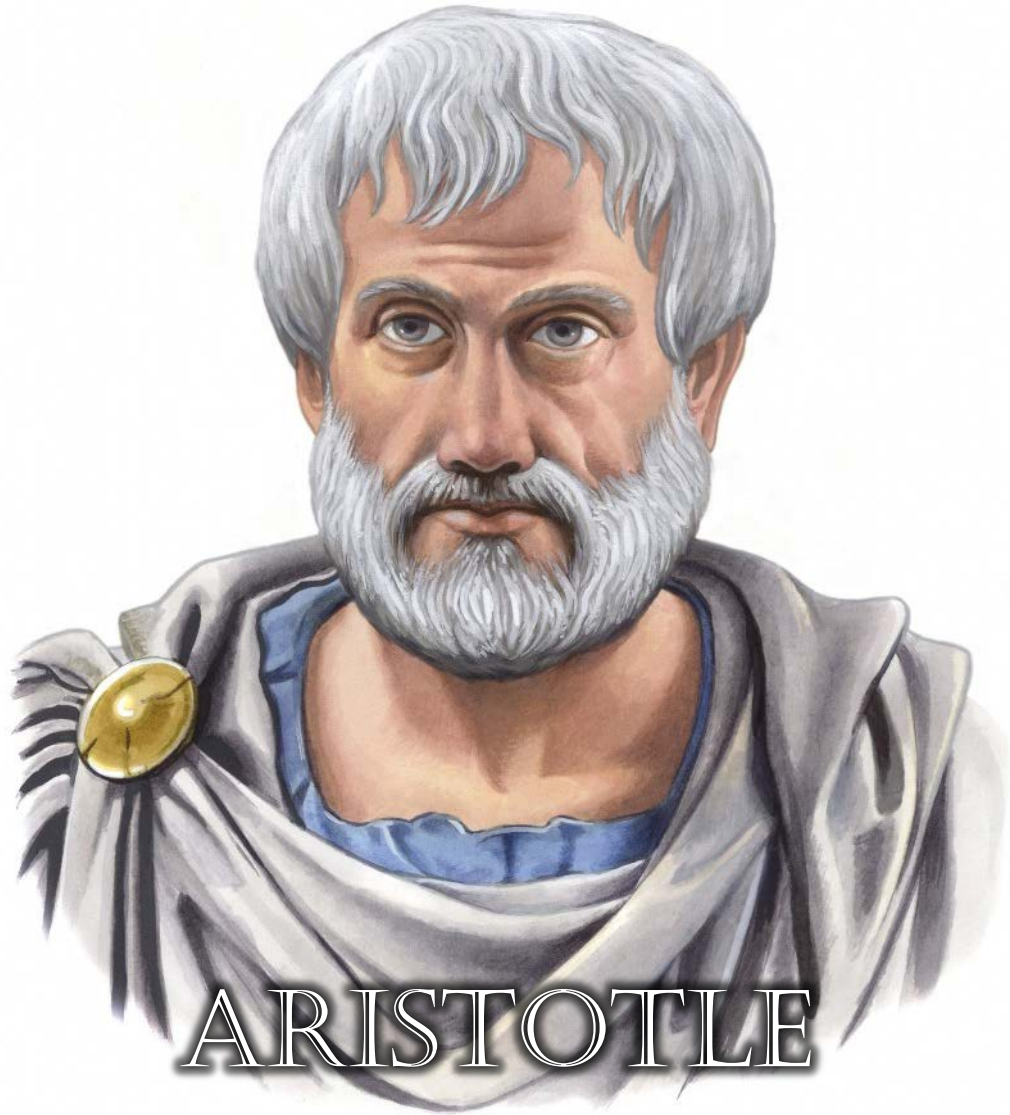
THE MASS IN RCC: A BIBLICAL RESPONSE

A photograph of a Catholic priest in the foreground, wearing red and white vestments, holding a host (Eucharist) up to his mouth. He is wearing glasses and a watch. In the background, two other priests are visible, one on the left and one on the right, both looking down. The background is a brick wall.

# TRANSUBSTANTIATION

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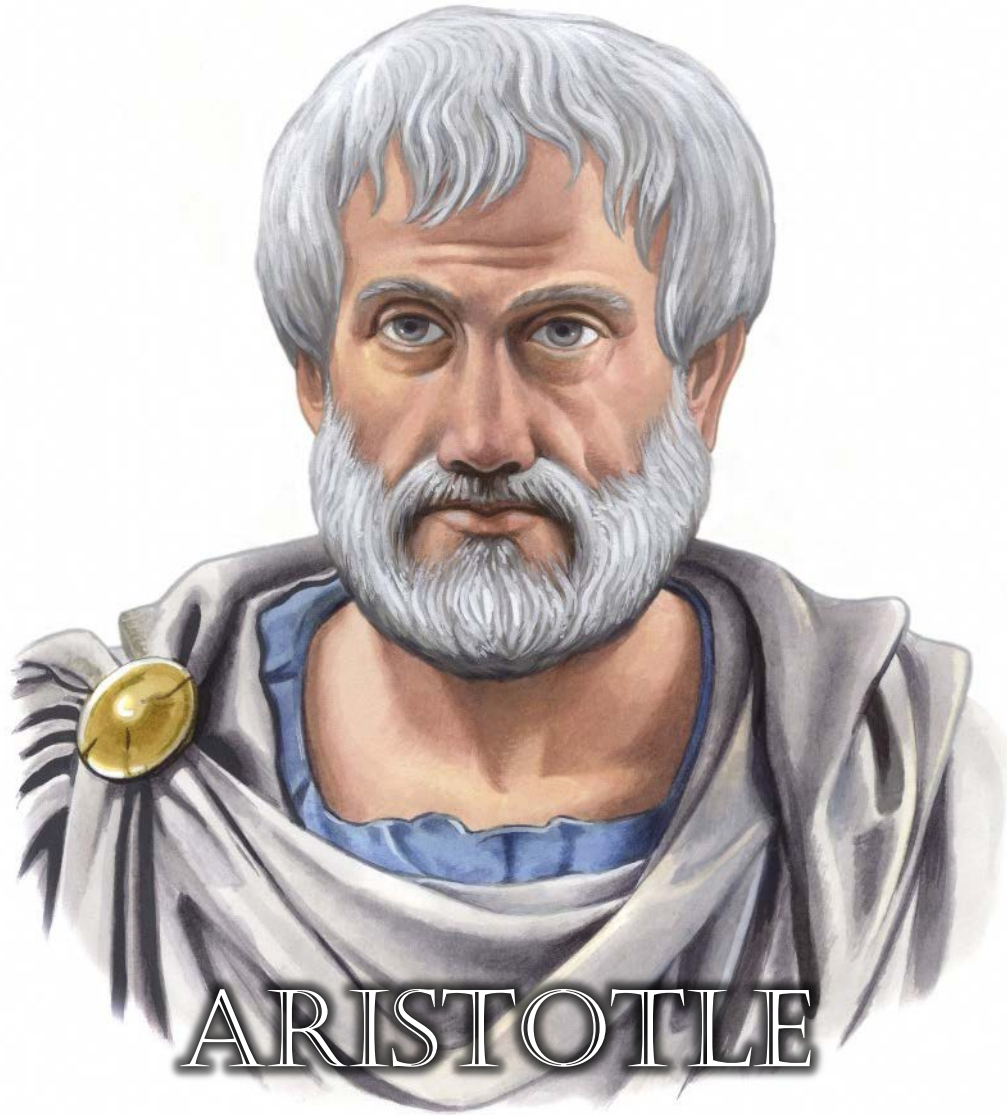
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*What it looks like*



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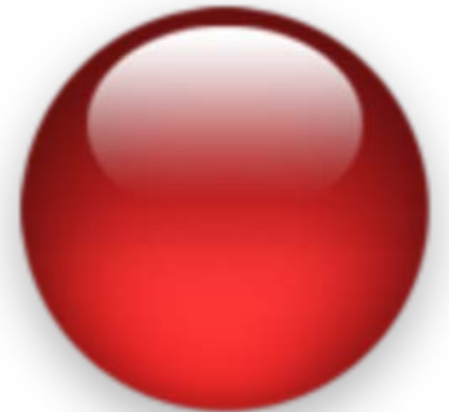
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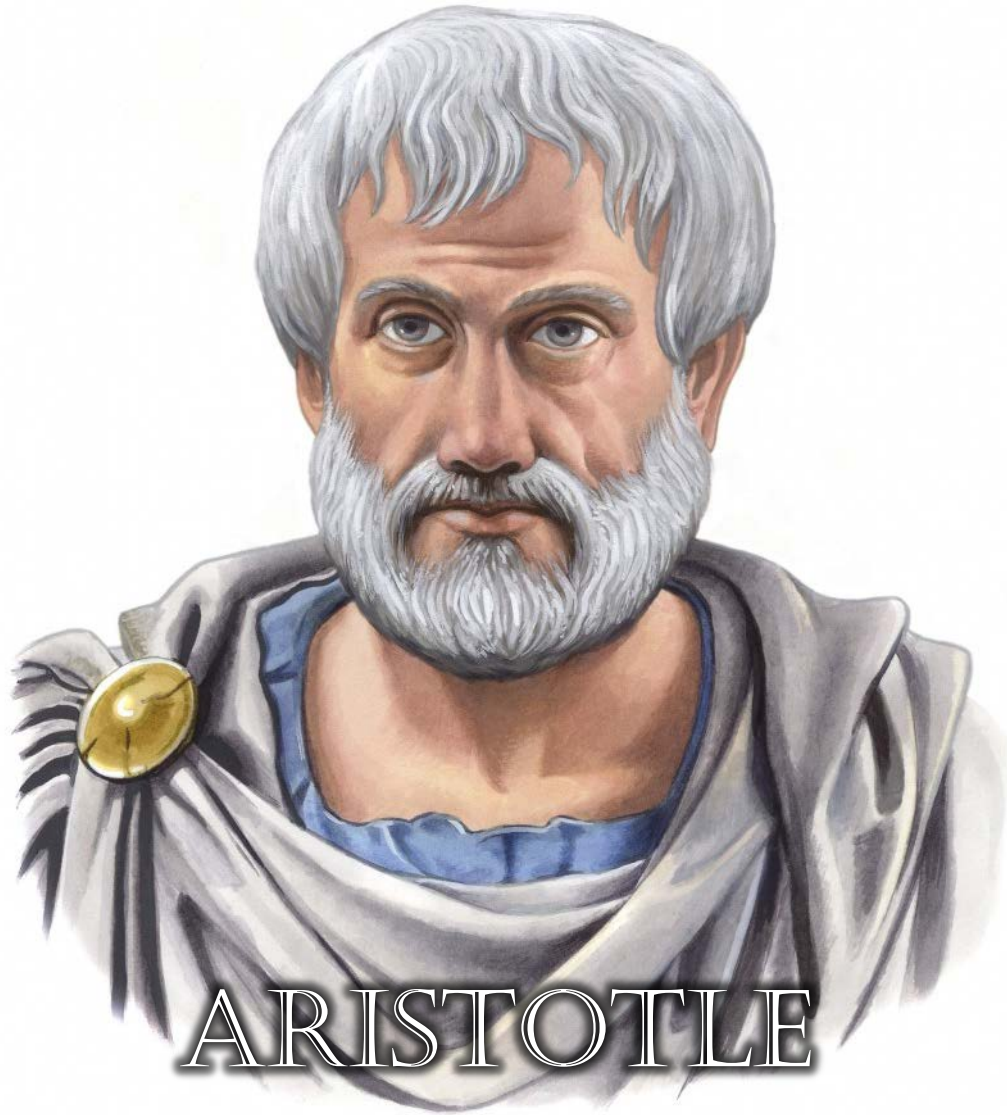
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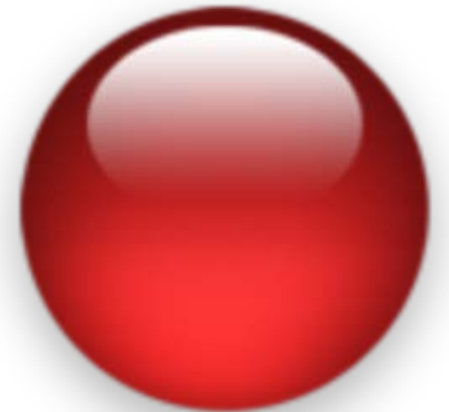


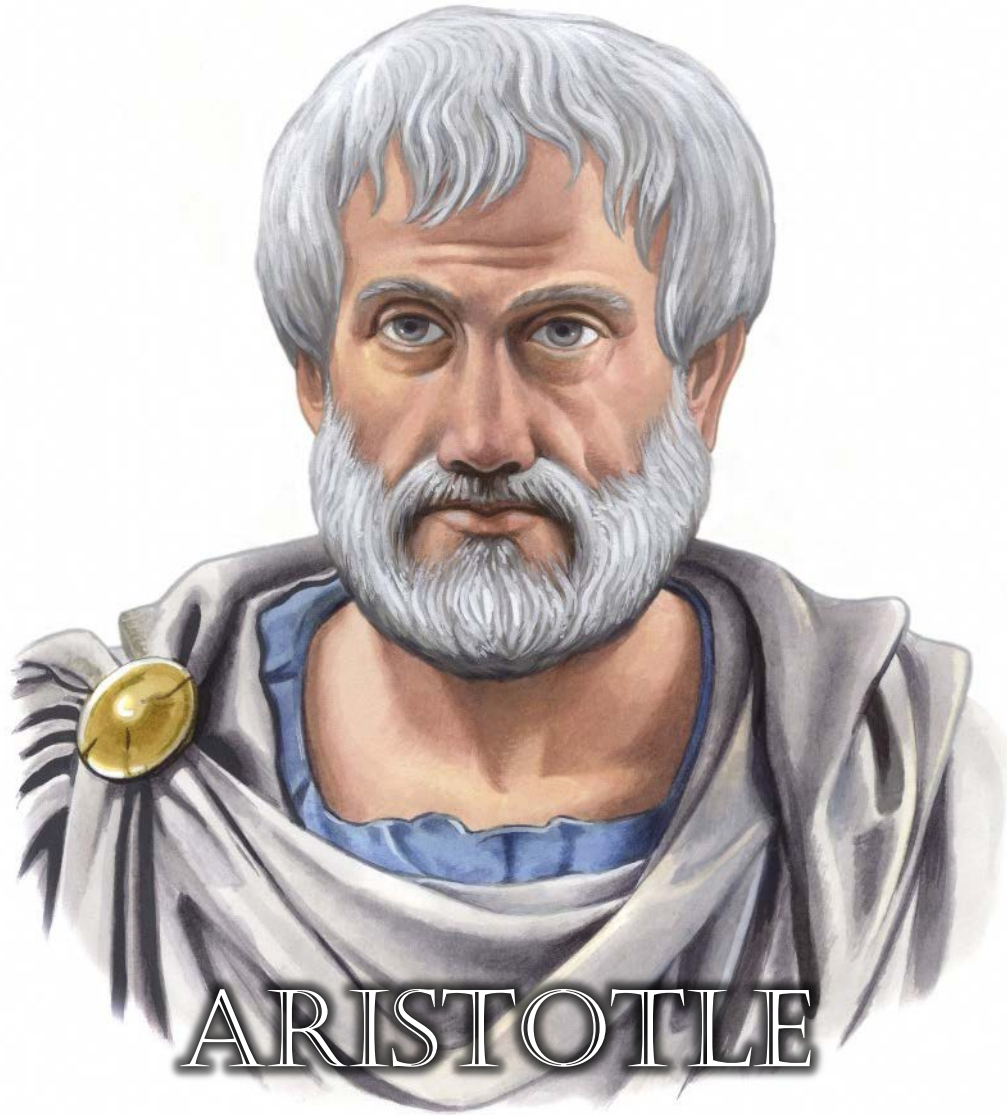
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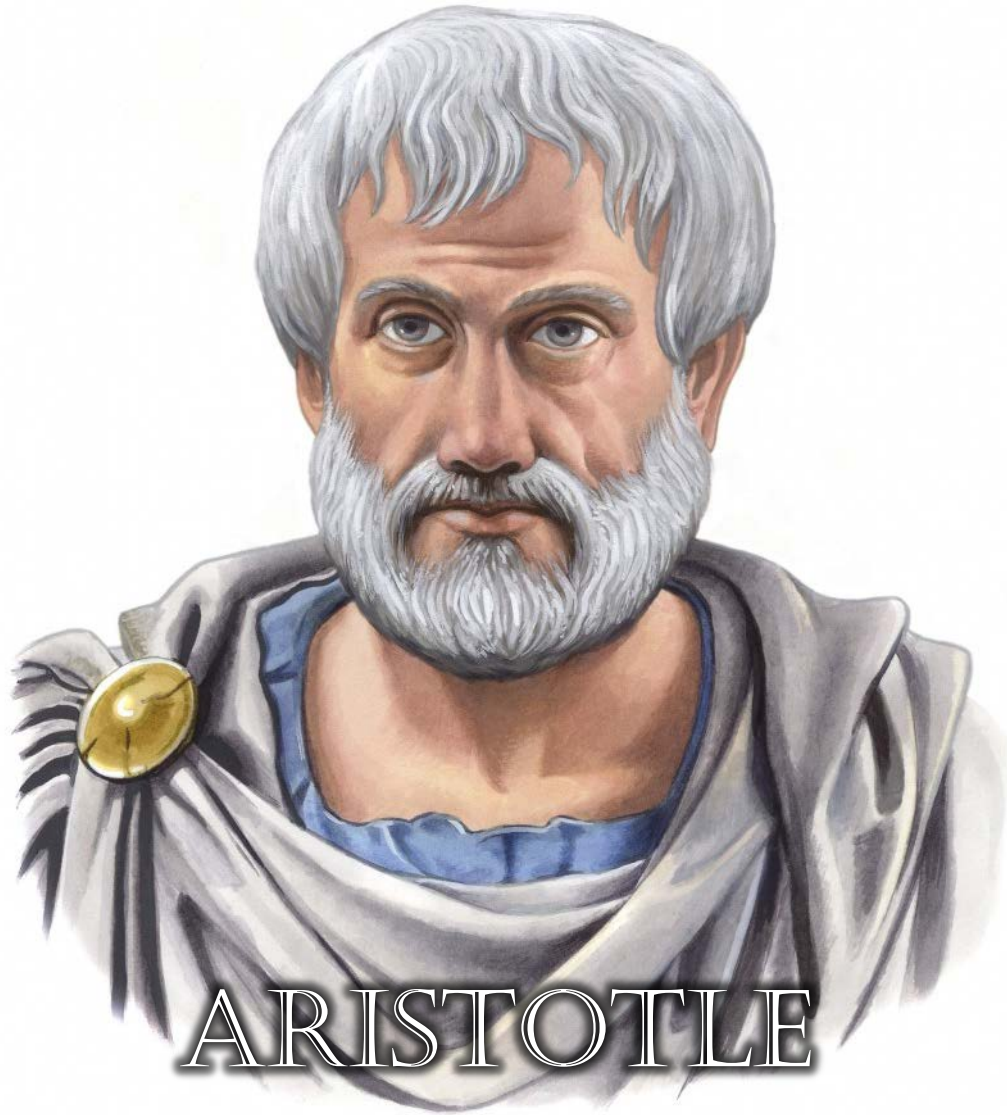
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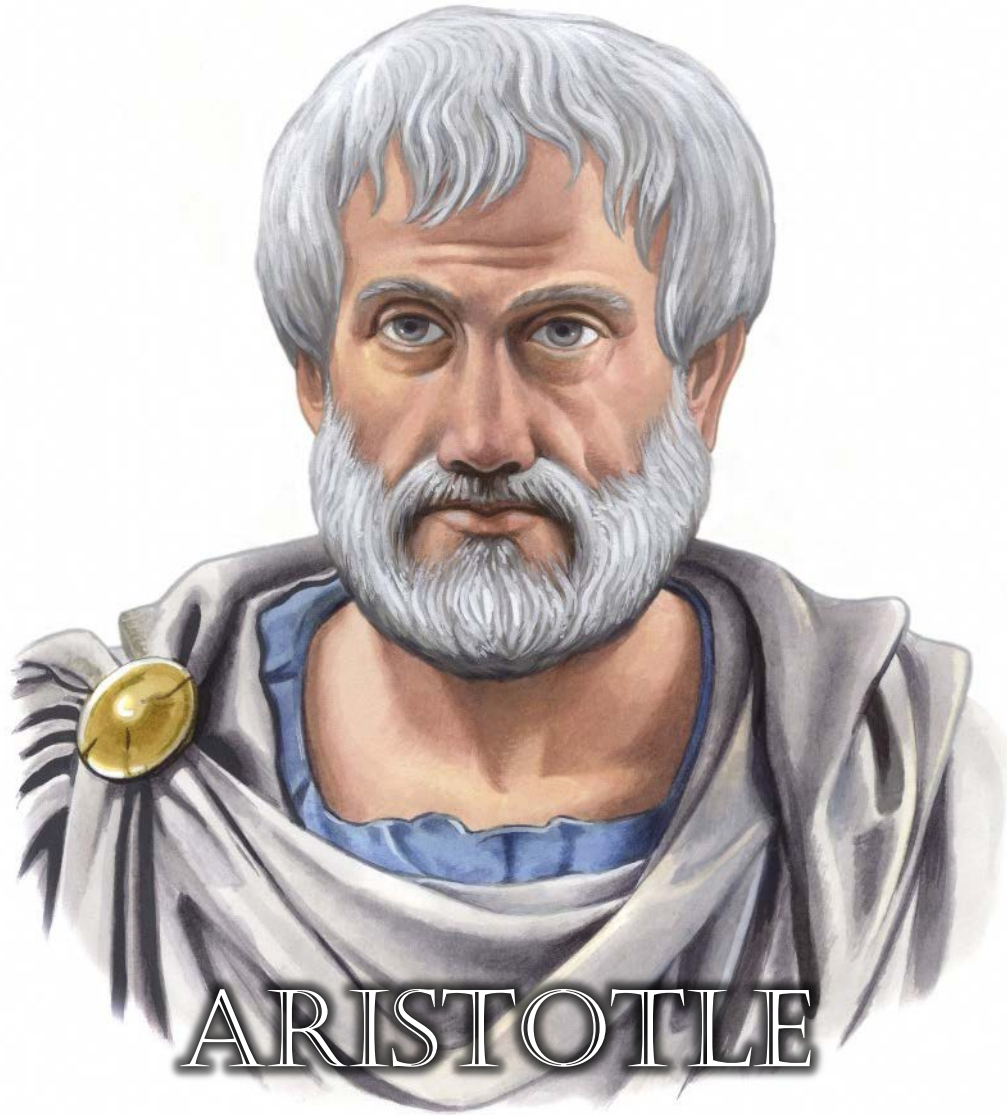
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*Could leave this unaffected*



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No biblical miracles deceive the senses

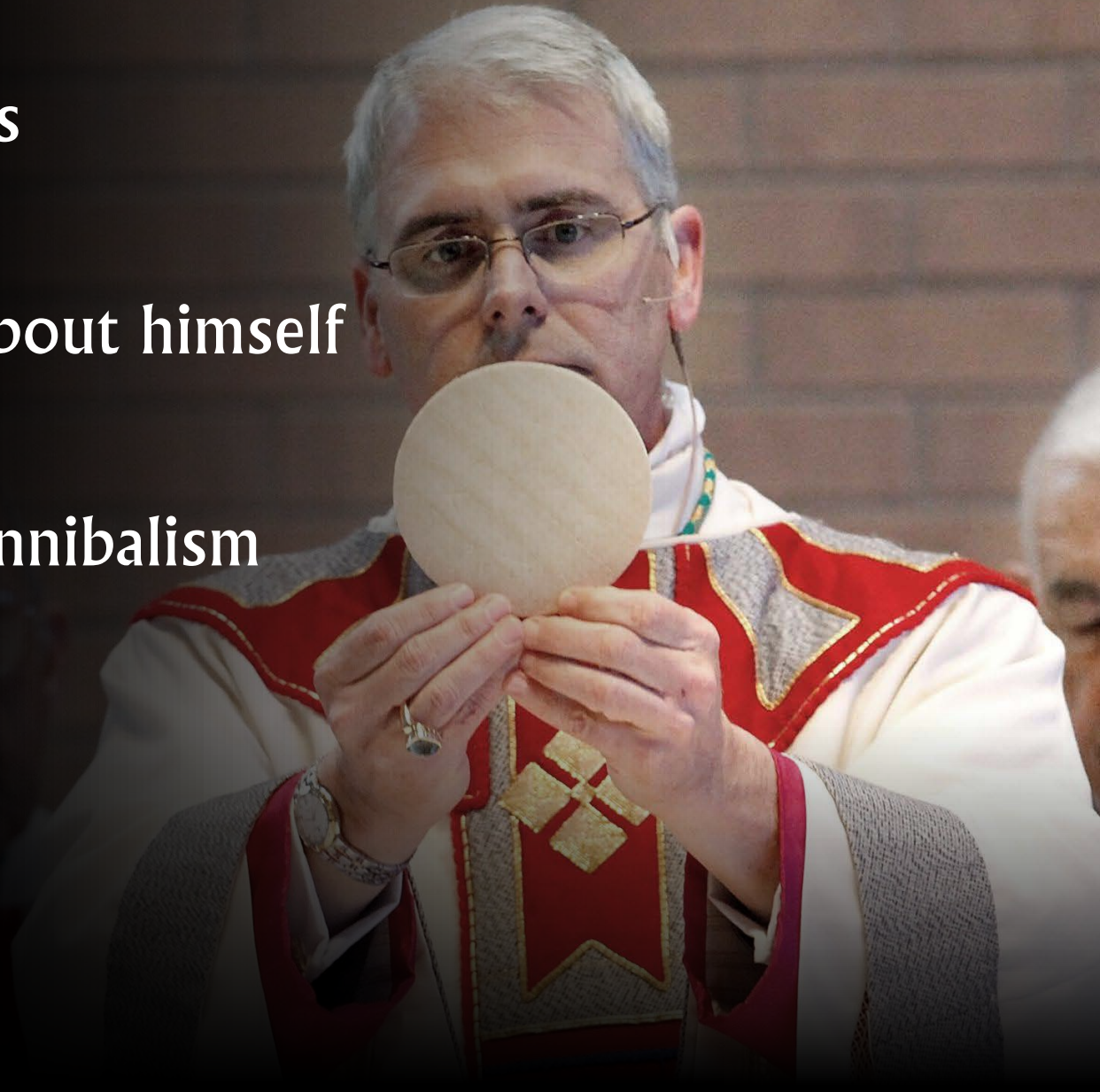
Supernatural ≠ mystical

Jesus often used figurative language about himself

Jesus didn't eat his own body

Christian practice does not involve cannibalism

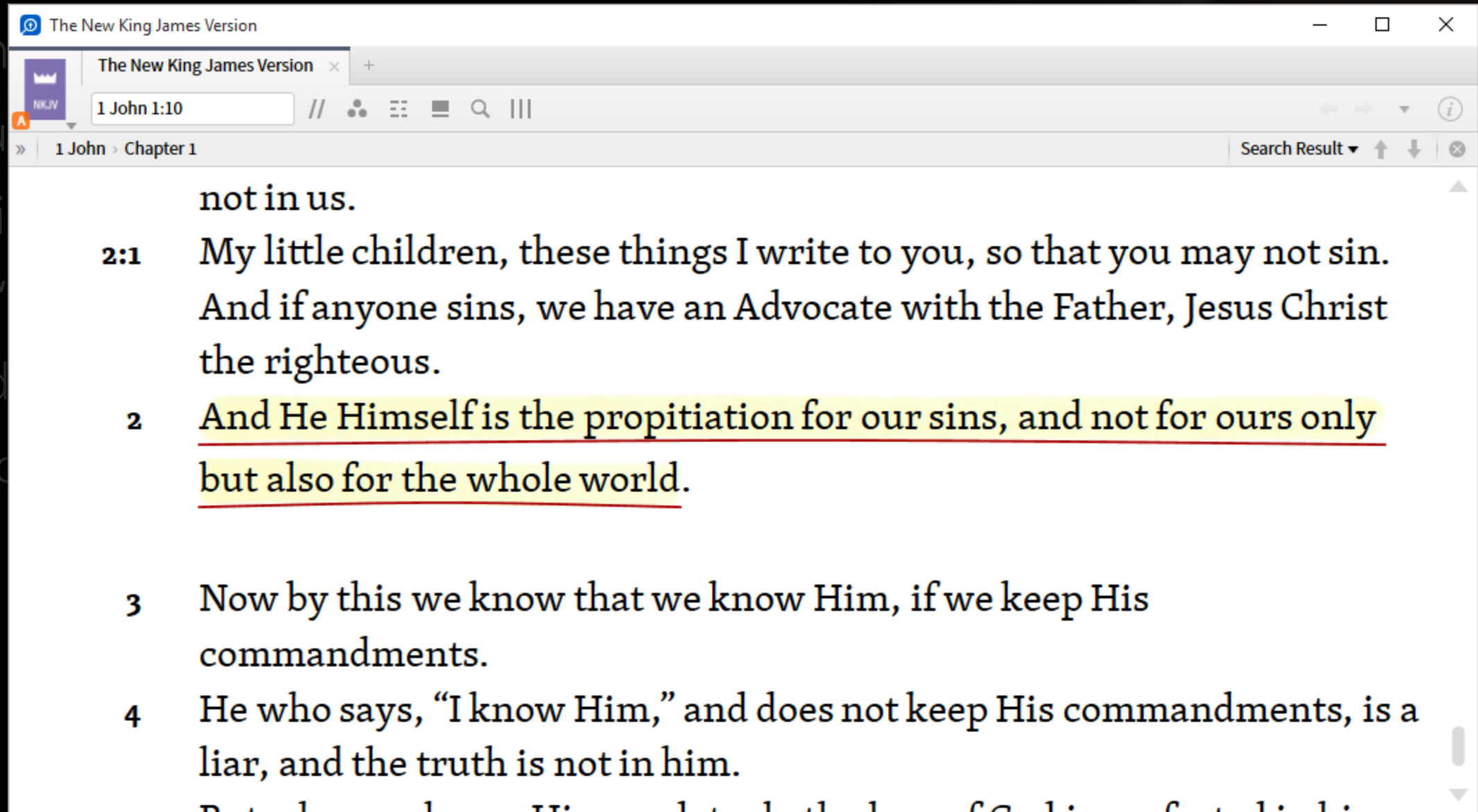
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1 John 1:10

1 John > Chapter 1

not in us.

2:1 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.

2 And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

3 Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments.

4 He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

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# THE MASS IN RCC: QUESTIONS TO ASK

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24 For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, *which are* copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us;

25 not that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood of another—

26 He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.

27 And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,

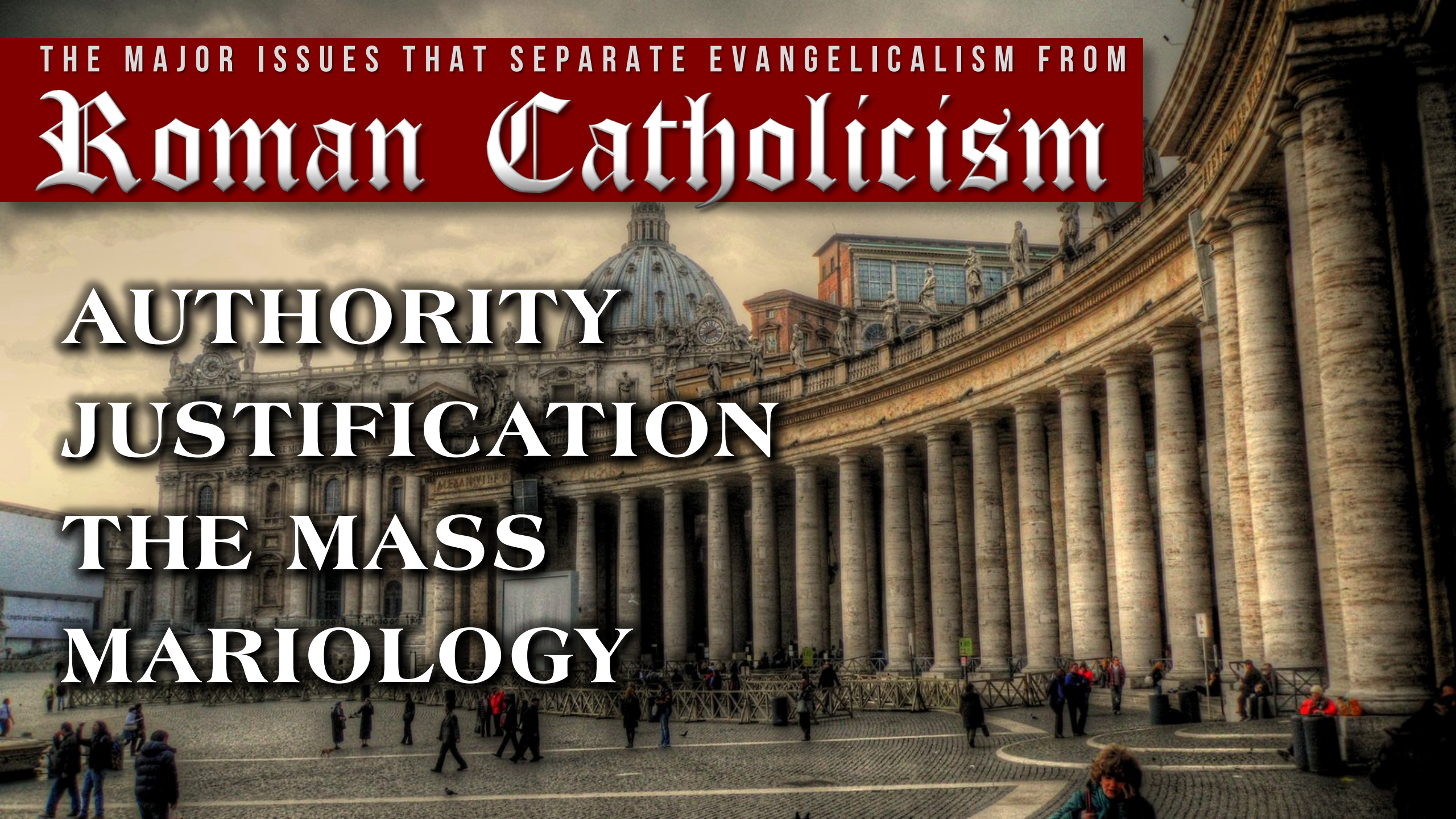
28 so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for



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108. *How was Jesus Christ conceived by the Holy Spirit?*  
Jesus Christ was conceived by the Holy Spirit in that he had no human father, but only a human mother. Yet he was truly conceived in the womb of Mary by the miraculous operation of the Holy Trinity. (QAC, 65)

109. *Who is the blessed Virgin Mary?*  
The blessed Virgin Mary is a humble daughter of the family of David, whom God chose to be the Mother of his Son. (QAC, 66)

110. *What were the main privileges of the blessed Virgin?*  
The main privileges of the blessed Virgin were the divine maternity, her perpetual virginity, Immaculate Conception, bodily Assumption into heaven, and her role as Mother of the Church. (QAC, 66)

## THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

God decided to prepare a mother  
for his Son

God decided to preserve Mary  
from the defilement sin

In 1854, Pope Pius IX declared  
Mary's Immaculate Conception

Mary was fully redeemed at the  
moment of her conception

She was immune from all sin -  
both personal and inherited





Jesus is God. Mary is the mother of Jesus. Therefore, Mary is the mother of God.

“Theotokos” was formally sanctioned at the Council of Ephesus (AD 431)

“As the Mother of God, Mary transcends in dignity all created persons, angels and men” (Ludwig Ott)

Elizabeth addresses her as “mother of my Lord” (Luke 1:43)



# THE DOCTRINE OF MARY

According to the world-renowned patristics scholar, Johannes Quasten: "The principal aim of the whole writing [*Protoevangelium of James*] is to prove the perpetual and inviolate virginity of Mary before, in, and after the birth of Christ" (*Patrology*, 1:120–1).

The perpetual virginity of Mary has always been reconciled with the biblical references to Christ's brethren through a proper understanding of the meaning of the term "brethren." The understanding that the brethren of the Lord were Jesus' stepbrothers (children of Joseph) rather than half-brothers (children of Mary) was the most common one until the time of Jerome (fourth century). It was Jerome who introduced the possibility that Christ's brethren were actually his cousins, since in

## The Protoevangelium of James

"And behold, an angel of the Lord stood by [St. Anne], saying, 'Anne! Anne! The Lord has heard your prayer, and you shall conceive and shall bring forth, and your seed shall be spoken of in all the world.' And Anne said, 'As the Lord my God lives, if I beget either male or female, I will bring it as a gift to the Lord my God, and it shall minister to him in the holy things all the days of its life.' . . . And [from the time she was three] Mary was in the temple of the Lord as if she were a dove that dwelt there" (*Protoevangelium of James* 4, 7 [A.D. 120]).



## PERPETUAL VIRGIN



## Pope Benedict XV (1914-1922)

Mary suffered and, as it were, nearly died with her suffering Son . . . and as far as it depended on her, offered her Son to placate divine justice; so we may well say that she with Christ redeemed mankind.



CO-REDEEMER

## Vatican II

The Fathers see Mary not merely as passively engaged by God, but as freely cooperating in the work of man's salvation through faith and obedience.”

For as St. Irenaeus says, she “being obedient, became the cause of salvation for herself and for the whole human race.”

Comparing Mary with Eve, they call her “Mother of the living,” and frequently claim: “death through Eve, life through Mary.”

CO-REDEEMER





## Pope Pius XII (1939-1958)

The Blessed Virgin Mary is to be called Queen of Heaven not only on account of her divine motherhood but also because by the will of God she had a great part in the work of our salvation

Just as Christ, because he redeemed us, is by a special title our King and Lord, so too is Blessed Mary our Queen and Mistress, because of the unique way she cooperated in our redemption



QUEEN OF HEAVEN

# THE DOCTRINE OF MARY



**GUADALUPE**



**MT. CARMEL**



**FATIMA**



**LOURDES**

**OUR LADY OF . . .**



## Pope Pius IX (1846-1878)

Since she stands at the right hand of Jesus Christ . . . she presents our petitions in a most efficacious manner. What she asks she obtains.”

## Pope Pius X (1903 - 1914)

Mary is the most powerful mediatrix and advocate of the whole world with her Divine Son.

## Ludwig Ott

According to God’s positive ordinance, the redemptive grace of Christ is conferred on nobody without the actual intercessory cooperation of Mary.



Jesus is the King, Mary is the Queen

God is the Father of mankind, Mary is the Mother of mankind

Jesus is the stern Judge, Mary is the compassionate advocate

Jesus is the Redeemer, Mary is the Co-Redeemer

Jesus is the 2nd Adam, Mary is the 2nd Eve

Jesus is the source of grace, Mary is the channel of all grace

Jesus is a perpetual virgin, Mary is a perpetual virgin



Jesus lived a sinless life, Mary lived a sinless life

Jesus suffered and died, Mary suffered and almost died

Jesus sacrificed himself, Mary sacrificed Jesus

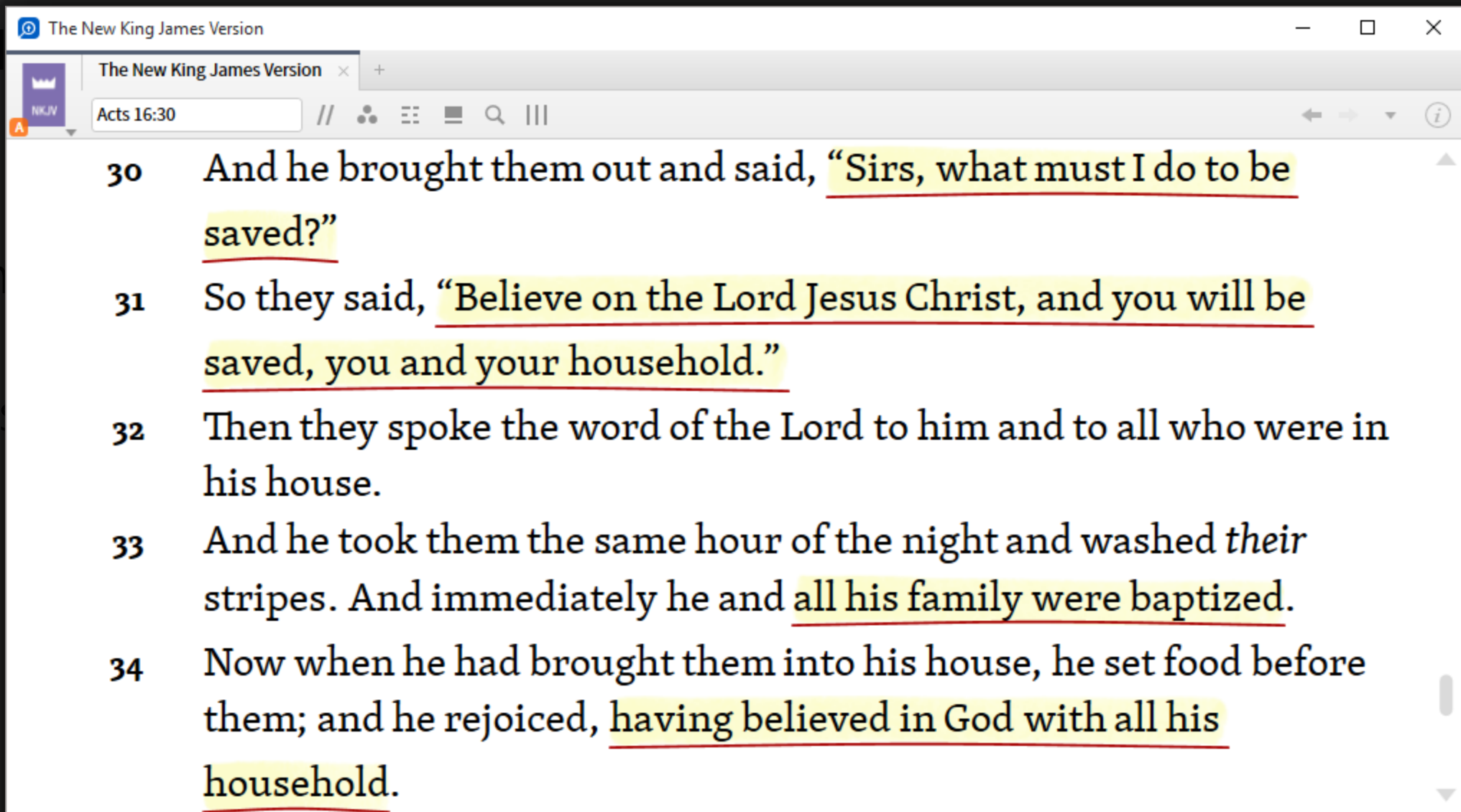
Jesus arose and ascended into heaven, Mary may or may not have died and was assumed into heaven

Jesus sits at the right hand of the Father, Mary sits at the right hand of Jesus

***Conclusion: The doctrine of Mary is one of the most highly developed and most important in Catholicism, yet it is one of the least supported by Scripture***

# THE DOCTRINE OF MARY: A BIBLICAL RESPONSE

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## THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



Scripture never uses this term - only “Mother of Jesus”

Theological speculation combined with logical deductions seldom yield Biblical truth (consider double predestination)

The term is misleading and confusing

Mary contributed to Jesus’ human nature - but nothing to the divine nature - so the term “Mother of God” serves no meaningful purpose

The doctrine of the Incarnation does nothing to exalt Mary - anymore than the doctrine of salvation by grace through faith exalts the sinner - it is a sovereign, independent gracious act of God - preconditioned upon nothing

# THE DOCTRINE OF MARY: A BIBLICAL RESPONSE

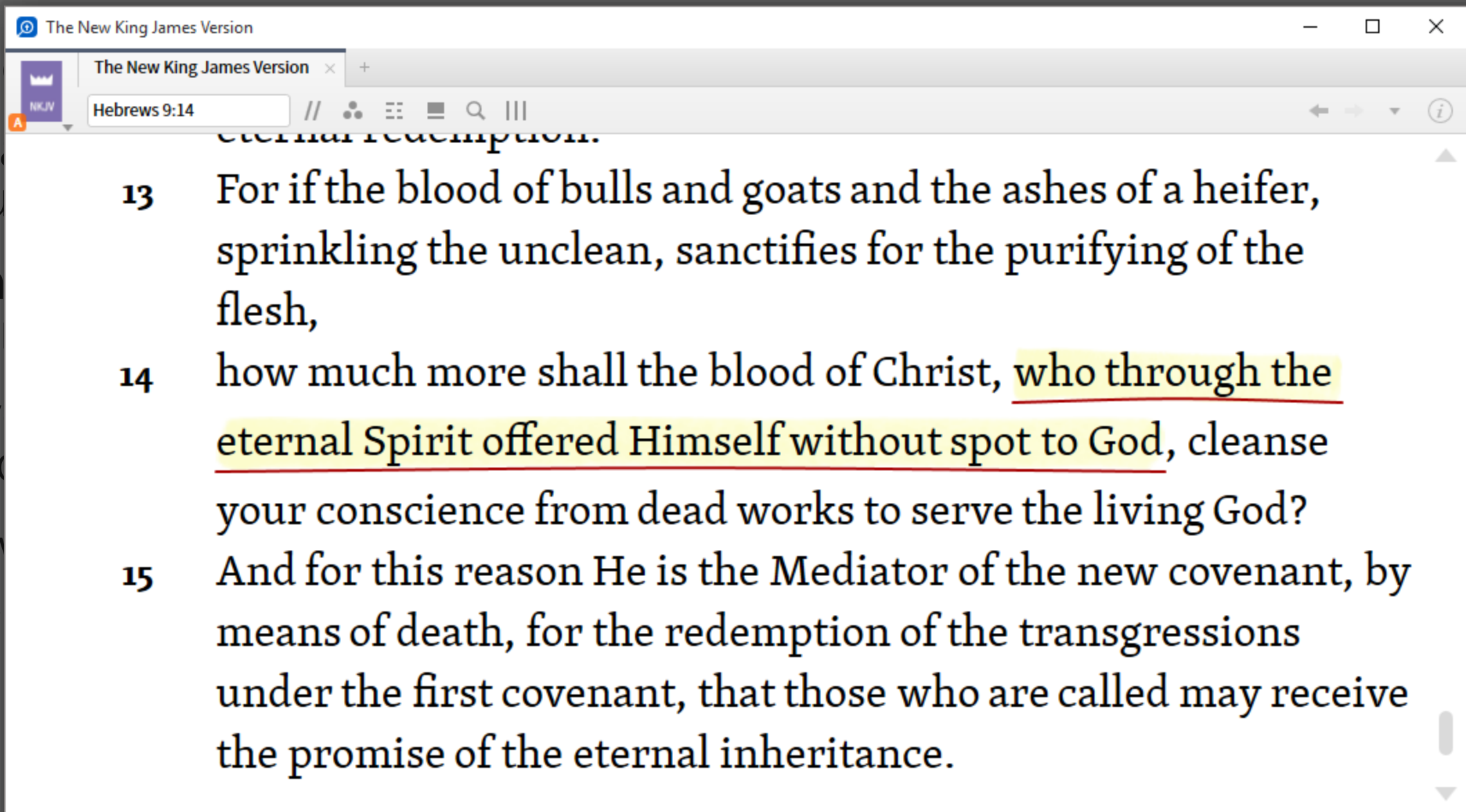
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MARY'S PERPETUAL VIRGINITY



# THE DOCTRINE OF MARY: A BIBLICAL RESPONSE

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eternal redemption.

13 For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh,

14 how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

15 And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.

MARY AS CO-REDEEMER

Why did Jesus never mention that salvation and grace came through his mother also?

If Peter was the first pope, and given that so many popes wrote so many things about the person and work of Mary, why does he say nothing about her at all?

Since there is a Greek word for cousin, knowing the controversy that would arise concerning Jesus' brothers and Mary's perpetual virginity, why did the Holy Spirit not direct the human authors to use that term?

If the Immaculate Conception and its results are so foundational in Catholic theology today, why is Scripture silent about this?

Mary would certainly have died before many of the apostles, so why is her assumption into heaven never mentioned?



# MARIOLOGY IN RCC: QUESTIONS TO ASK

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Revelation 12:5

12:1 Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars.

2 Then being with child, she cried out in labor and in pain to give birth.

3 And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads.

4 His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born.

5 She bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron. And her Child was caught up to God and His throne.

6 Then the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, that they should feed her there one thousand two hundred and sixty days.

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Develop personal relationships

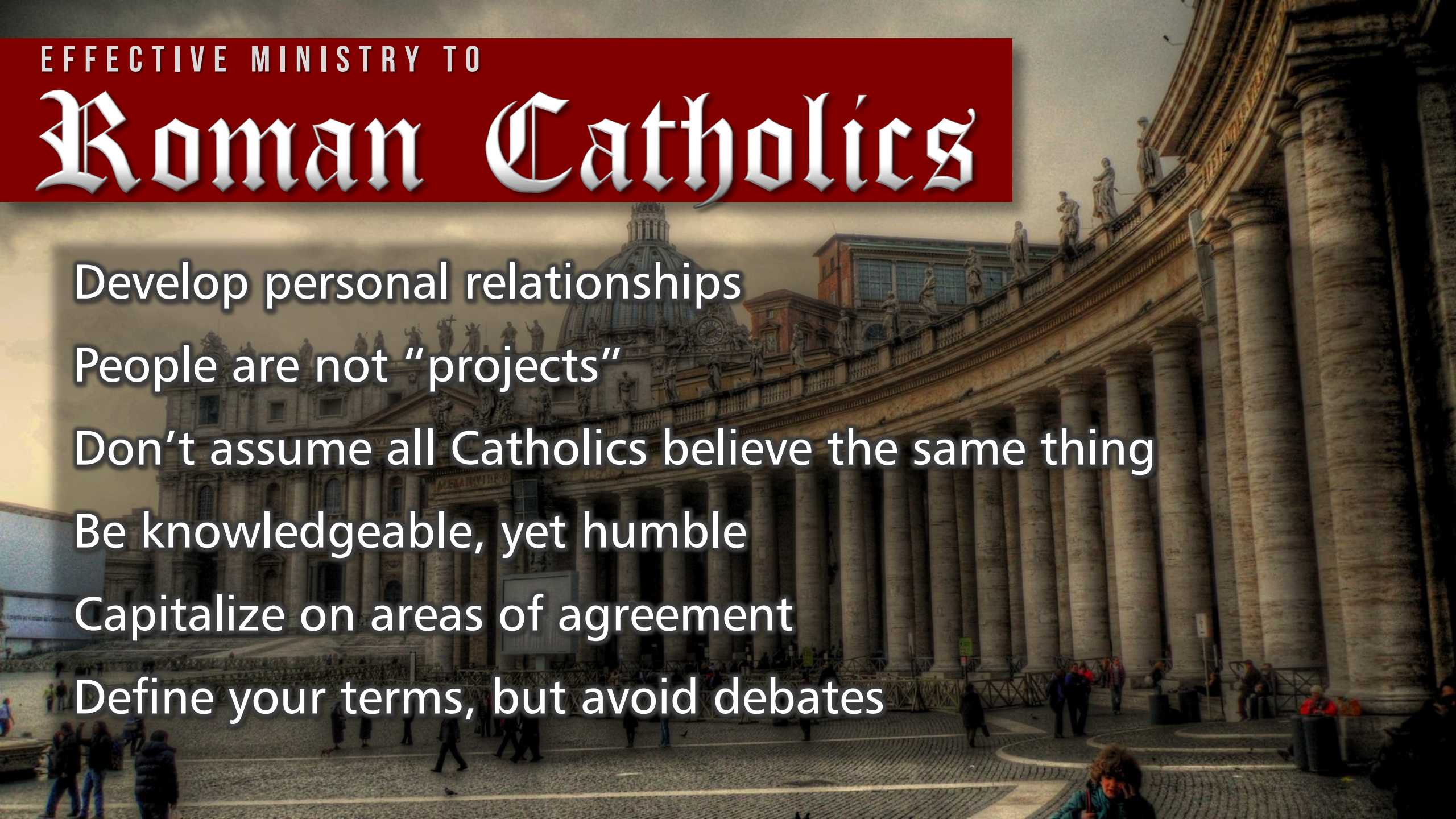
People are not “projects”

Don't assume all Catholics believe the same thing

Be knowledgeable, yet humble

Capitalize on areas of agreement

Define your terms, but avoid debates





EFFECTIVE MINISTRY TO

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Encourage an examination of beliefs

Ask leading questions

Be kind and patient – don't give up

They may initially become "better" Catholics

Evangelism and discipleship are not the same thing

Understand that family conflicts may develop

