## Compare the two Gospels – Which one do you think is: The "Way" the "Truth" and the "Life"?

## Christian <u>Biblical</u> Gospel. Bible: King James Version

Jesus: John 10:7, 9 "Verily, verily, I say unto you, I AM THE DOOR of the sheep ... I AM the door: by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved." Jesus: Matthew 16:19, 21 "And I will give unto thee the KEYS of the Kingdom of Heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven ... From that time forth began Jesus to shew ... His disciples, how that He must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day." Paul: 1 Corinthians 15:1-5, "Brethren, I declare unto you the GOSPEL which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; by which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the scriptures: and that He was seen ..." Peter: Acts 10:36, 39-43 "Preaching PEACE BY JESUS CHRIST ... whom they slew and hanged on a tree: Him God raised up the third day and shewed Him openly ... even to us, who did eat and drink with Him after He rose from the dead. And He commanded us ... to testify that it is He which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To Him give all the prophets witness ... through His name whosoever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins." Paul: 1 Corinthians 1:17-18, 21, 23, 30, 31 "For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the GOSPEL: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

## <u>Catholicism's</u> Gospel. <u>C</u>atechism of the <u>C</u>atholic <u>C</u>hurch © 1994

**"JESUS** <u>1.</u> By His Death ... Resurrection, Jesus ... **"OPENED"** Heaven to Us (CCC-1026). **SALVATION** <u>2.</u> [The Church] Has Received the KEYS of the Kingdom of Heaven ... IN HER, sins may be forgiven through Christ's blood and the Holy Sprit's action (CCC-981). <u>3.</u> "Through Christ's **CATHOLIC CHURCH ALONE** ... the fullness of ... **Salvation** can be <u>obtained</u> ... all ... should be fully incorporated" (CCC-816).

"Outside ... No Salvation." Basing itself on 4. Scripture and Tradition ... The Church ... is Necessary **Salvation** for (CCC-846). SACRAMENTS 6. Saving ... instruments by which the Holy Spirit Spreads the Grace of Christ (CCC-774). 7. Sacraments: Are Necessary for Salvation (CCC-1129). BAPTISM 14. Baptism is birth ... New Life in Christ ... it is Necessary for Salvation (CCC-1277). 17. Faith in ... Gospel ... Baptism ... One renounces evil and gains Salvation (CCC-1427). 21. "Since Christ died for all, and ... Are in fact called to One and the Same Destiny ... The Holy Spirit offers to all the possibility of being partakers ... of the paschal mystery." Every Man Who Is Ignorant of the Gospel of Christ and of his Church, but seeks the Truth and Does the Will of God in Accordance with his Understanding of it, can be Saved. It may be supposed that Such Persons would have desired Baptism explicitly if known its necessity (CCC-1260). they had **PENANCE 23.** If the Church has the Power to Forgive Sins, then Baptism cannot be her only

For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are **saved** it is the power of God ... it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe ... we preach Christ crucified ... who of God is made unto us wisdom ... righteousness ... sanctification and redemption: He that glorieth, let him **Glory in the Lord.**" Paul: Romans 5:1, 17 "Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace, with God through our Lord Jesus Christ ... For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ." Peter: Acts 2:22-24, 31, 32 "Ye men of Israel ... Jesus ... being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken and by wicked hands have crucified and slain: whom God hath raised up ... His soul was not left in hell, neither His flesh did see corruption. This Jesus hath God raised up ... we ... are witnesses." Paul: Colossians 2:8 "Beware: lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the traditions of men, and not after Christ." Hebrews 9:22, 24-28 "Without shedding of blood; is no remission ... For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true: but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us: Nor yet that He should offer Himself often ... For then



must He often have suffered since the foundation of the world <u>but now in the end of</u> the world hath He appeared to put away sin by the

<u>sacrifice of Himself</u>. And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: So



**<u>CHRIST</u>** was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for Him, shall He appear the second time without sin unto

salvation." Jesus: Matthew 11:25 "I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth,

means of using the <u>KEYS</u> of the Kingdom of Heaven. (CCC-979). 24. The Sacrament of Penance is Necessary for Salvation for Those ... Fallen after Baptism (CCC-980). 26. Individual ... Confession and Absolution remain the Only Ordinary Way for the faithful to Reconcile ... with God ... Church (CCC-1484). 27. Only Priest ... from the authority of the Church can forgive sins in the name of Christ (CCC-1495). CONFIRMATION 30. Full out pouring of the Holy Spirit as ... on the Day of Pentecost (CCC-1302). EUCHARIST / MASS 36. Sacrifice of Christ ... Sacrifice of ... Eucharist are one single Sacrifice: "The Victim is ... the same ... only the Manner of Offering Is Different." ... In the Mass ... Christ ... is offered in an un-bloody manner" (CCC-1367). 38. ... the Sacrifice Christ offered once for all on the Cross remains ever present ... Celebrated on The Altar, The Work of Our Redemption is Carried Out (CCC-1364). 39. Christ gives us the Very Blood which, He gave ... on the cross (CCC-1365). 40. It Re-Presents ... The Sacrifice of the Cross ... It applies its fruit: [Christ ... wanted] to leave ... the Church a Visible Sacrifice ... Re-Presented. ... and ... Applied to the forgiveness of the sins we daily commit (CCC-1366). PARTICIPATION OF LAY PEOPLE IN CHRIST'S PRIESTLY OFFICE 42. The Eucharist is also the Sacrifice of the Church. THE CHURCH which is the Body of Christ participates in the offering of her Head. With Him, she herself is offered whole and entire. She unites herself to His intercession ... In The EUCHARIST the Sacrifice of Christ becomes also the Sacrifice of the members of His body ... Their praise, sufferings, prayers, and work, are united with those of Christ and with His total offering ... Christ's Sacrifice present on the altar makes it possible for all generations of Christians to be united with His offering (CCC-1368). 45. Also offered for the faithful departed (CCC-1371). PURGATORY 46. All who die in God's grace ... still imperfectly\_purified, are ... assured of ... eternal Salvation (CCC-1030). 47. The Church gives the name Purgatory to this (ccc-1031). 48. ... almsgiving,

because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes." Paul: 2 Corinthians 5:20, 21 "Now ... be ve reconciled to God for He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him." King David: Psalm 51:1-3, 7 "Have mercy on me, O God, according to Thy loving kindness ... cleanse me from my sin ... For I acknowledge my transgressions ... Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow ." John: Revelation 1:4; 5:9 "Peace from Him which is, and which was, and which is to come ... unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood ...." & "They sung ... for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood."

Paul's Focus & Statement of Faith: Galatians 6:14; 2:20. "But God forbid that I should glory, save in the CROSS of our Lord Jesus Christ." & "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me." Jesus: Jn 8:12 "He that doeth truth cometh to the light" 3:21 "I AM the light of the world." 16:13 "When He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth." 14:6 "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by Me." 8:46 "... if I say the truth, why do you not believe Me?" 18:37 "Every one that is of the truth heareth My voice." 8:31-32 "If ye continue in My word, then are ye My disciples indeed. And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." Ro 10:17 "Faith *cometh* by hearing ... hearing by the word of God."

Jesus': <u>death</u>, <u>burial</u> & <u>resurrection</u> are, The <u>Keys</u> of Heaven. <u>Faith</u> turns the <u>Keys</u>.

PAUL: 2 CORINTHIANS 4:5-6 "... we <u>PREACH</u> <u>NOT OURSELVES</u>, but <u>CHRIST JESUS</u> ... God ... hath shined in our hearts, to *give* the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of <u>Jesus Christ</u>." Since (<u>33 AD</u>?).

indulgences, and works of penance ... on behalf of the dead (CCC-1032). ANOINTING OF THE SICK 51. (This) Sacrament ... completes our conformity to death and resurrection of Christ, just as Baptism began it (CCC-1523). CHURCH / MOTHER 55. Salvation comes from God alone ... "We believe the Church as the Mother of our new birth, and not ... the author of our Salvation" (CCC-169). 56. The Church ... guards "The faith ..." Our Mother teaches us the language of faith in order ... to introduce us to the understanding and the life of faith (CCC-171). 57. The Churches message "Is true and solid ... one and the same way of Salvation appears throughout the Whole World" (CCC-174). AUTHENTIC INTERPRETATION 59. "The task of giving an Authentic Interpretation of the Word of God written ... or ... tradition, has been entrusted to ... THE CHURCH ALONE" (CCC-85). 60. "Sacred Tradition ... Scriptures and the Magisterium of the Church ... one ... cannot stand without the others ... all contribute ... to the Salvation of Souls" (CCC-95). MARY 61. "MARY ... is inseparably linked with the Saving work of her Son" (CCC-1172). SOCIAL DUTY 65. The Social duty of Christians is to respect and awaken in each man the love of the true and the good. It requires them to make known the worship of

## THE ONE TRUE RELIGION ... THE CATHOLIC ... CHURCH (CCC – 2105)."



Mary's Promise: "#5. The soul which recommends itself to ME, by the recitation of the rosary, <u>shall not perish</u>."

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