

# THE TRIDENTINE CONFESSION

of the

**Roman Catholic Church (RCC)**

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This is the creed to which every RCC Pope must swear when he enters the office. Among other things, every Pope must swear the following:

“I likewise undoubtedly receive and profess all other things delivered, defined, and declared by the sacred canons, and general councils, and particularly by *the holy Council of Trent*.” The **Council of Trent** (1545-1563) set forth the official doctrine of the RCC by decree. Every Pope has to swear his fidelity to, and belief in, the decrees of the **Council of Trent** in order to become Pope of the RCC.

Those decrees contain 125 curses (anathemas) on anyone of any denomination who does not agree with the RCC's teachings on justification and salvation, the Mass, the Sacraments, prayers to dead saints, Purgatory, the infallibility and supremacy of the Pope, etc., as more specifically described as follows:

1. Session 3: The Pope swears “I acknowledge the Holy, Catholic, Apostolic, Roman church as the mother and mistress of all churches; and I promise true obedience to the Bishop of Rome, successor to St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles, and Vicar of Jesus Christ.”
2. Session 4 on the “Canonical Scriptures”: You are cursed if you don't believe such pulp fiction as Judith, Tobit, Bel and the Dragon, Wisdom of Solomon, 1 & 2 Maccabees, etc. (*the Apocrypha*), to be “the scripture of truth” (Dan. 10:21) and part of the Old Testament.
3. Session 4 on the “Edition and use of the Sacred Books”: You are damned to Hell (anathema) if you print, distribute, read, or even possess, without written permission of the Bishop, any copy of the Bible which hasn't been approved by the RCC and that doesn't have the RCC doctrinal notes. In 1824, Pope Leo XII said Bible societies propagated “a gospel of the devil.” In 1846, Pope Pius IX called them “crafty and heretics”; in 1861, he added the epithet “pests.” Pope Pius VII (1829) and Pope Gregory XVI (1844) also spoke out against them.
4. Session 4 on “Original Sin”: If you don't believe the merits of Christ's blood atonement are applied to adults and infants by water baptism, you are anathema; if you don't believe in sprinkling babies to remove “original sin,” you are anathema; if you don't believe you get the New Birth through water baptism, you are anathema.

5. Session 6, Canon IX: If you teach that justification is by faith alone without the “grace” conferred by RCC sacraments (see Session 7, Canon VI-VIII below,) you are accursed.
6. Session 6, Canon XII: If you believe saving faith is relying solely on Jesus Christ and His blood atonement, you are damned.
7. Session 6, Canon XVI: If you believe in eternal security (called “Perseverance of the Saints” in the canon), you are cursed.
8. Session 6, Canon XXVII: If you believe that the only sin that can send a person to Hell in this age is rejecting Jesus Christ as Saviour, you are damned to Hell.
9. Session 6, Canon XXX: If you don’t believe in Purgatory, you are headed for Hell.
10. Session 7, Canon I: If you think there are only two ordinances (not sacraments) given to the local New Testament church, you are anathema.
11. Session 7, Canon IV: If you don’t think RCC water baptism, the RCC Mass, RCC penance, and RCC “last rites” have anything to do with your salvation, you are lost and on your way to Hell.
12. Session 7, Canons VI-VIII: Unless you believe the Holy Spirit confers “grace” to be saved through the RCC sacraments and that faith alone is insufficient to save your soul from Hell, you are cursed.
13. Session XXX, “Invocation, Veneration, Relics, Saints, and Sacred Images”: If you think praying for the dead and praying to dead saints is a waste of time and breath, and if you believe that praying to statues of Christ and the “Virgin Mary” is blasphemous idolatry, you are accursed.

**NOTE:** These are the official doctrinal beliefs of the RCC. The Pope and the RCC believe that nobody can be saved outside of their own so called “church.” (For a complete Bible description of the great whore, read Revelation 17-18.)