

**WATCH YE THEREFORE, AND PRAY ALWAYS,
THAT YE MAY BE ACCOUNTED WORTHY TO ESCAPE ALL THESE THINGS
THAT SHALL COME TO PASS, AND TO STAND BEFORE THE SON OF MAN.**

Luke 21:36

On Jan. 21, 2014, a message from Pope Francis was delivered to a meeting of religious leaders at the Fort Worth, Texas-based Kenneth Copeland Ministries. This message was delivered by Pentecostal Bishop Tony Palmer, who had recorded it on an iPhone in a Jan. 14 meeting with Pope Francis. This message is now being circulated around the Protestant world, accompanied with some added footage of Tony Palmer himself.



There was a lot of symbolism used in the shooting of this video, but first let's look at the actual text of what was said. I will put their words in **Red** (script of video is in **Red**) so that you can differentiate between the video text and my comments that are in **Blue**.

Disclaimer: My purpose in this paper, is to point out some concepts that many Protestants have forgotten.
I have nothing against Mr. Palmer or Pope Francis as individuals nor against Catholic people either.
I have friends that are Catholic. My "Protest" is against the Catholic belief "System"!

Transcript of Video's Message

**"Hello, I'm Tony Palmer. I'm the Abbot Bishop of the order of the Ark Community.
Today we are here to introduce to you a video, a very special video.
But before I do, I just want to apologize that from time to time I'll be referring to my notes that I have here with me. Because what I want to say, I want to say what we have planned to say, and I don't want to get sidetracked, so please forgive me for referring to notes from time to time.**

This tells me that the wording used in the video is "carefully calculated" with specific meaning (and perhaps hidden meaning as well).

The Ark Community – we are an ecumenical or a interdenominational community of Christians – connected to our common desire to see the manifestation of the visible unity of Christians all over the world. We are one in Christ. And the world desperately needs to see this. This video is not about my story, but it's about his story. It's about God's story.

Notice the carefully chosen 'play on words' – "His Story" = history! Tony confirms this meaning in the very next sentence!

There's something historic happening among us, and we need to be aware of what's going on, and that's the reason for this video.

This is not only historic but also a fulfillment of prophecy as well.

Rev 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

Rev 17:13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.



Right now, in our generation, we are witnessing something Jesus prayed for, that God the Father, by His Spirit, is bringing into manifestation right now, and that is the unity of Christians – I see this happening, all over the world, while I'm on my travels, in various denominations.

People are desiring, for the first time in many generations, to be one, to stand together, so that the world may believe that the Father sent the Son.

We are witnessing the unity of Christians by the Spirits of God and not by the doctrines and traditions of men, this is a spiritual movement. Some even call this spiritual ecumenism.

According to 1 John 4:1 ("Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.") we are to try the spirits – in other words, test them to see if they agree with what the Spirit of God teaches in the Bible! So let's "try" the "spirits" of this video.

In response to this, I'd like to quote the apostle Paul, writing to the Christians in Turkey the city of Ephesus, Paul writes:

Keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, there is one spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism. One God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in you all. That's Ephesians chapter 4 verses 3-6.

Yes, this is a good text to use on the subject of unity. Unity is definitely good – IN THE RIGHT CONTEXT - But in order to get a true picture of what Paul is saying, you should read his whole letter to the Ephesians, because Paul promotes a unity that is based in scripture truth. He does not advocate unity with error or false doctrine!

Eph. 4:13-15 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

We are witnessing in our generation the beginning the birth of the miracle of unity. I often tell people that the leader the founder of the ecumenical movement is Jesus himself – in John 17, when he prayed, that we would all be one, so that the world would believe.

This statement goes with another one on Christ's prayer that we'll look at a little later.

The video that you are about to watch, is the culmination of our ten year relationship with the Roman Catholic Church.

In actuality the Roman Catholic Church has been working toward this 'goal of unity' ever since they lost their supremacy, as a result of the Protestant Reformation.

Rev. 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

We were called, my wife and I, from South Africa in 2003, by the Roman Catholic Church as non-Roman Catholic ministers, to move to Europe and minister through the Catholic Charismatic and Evangelical renewal movements. As an Evangelical Anglican, I have served under 3 popes – Pope John Paul the second, Pope Benedict the 16th, and now Pope Francis.



It is significant to note that Pope Francis is the first pope ever, to take the name of the charismatic monk, St. Francis of Assisi – whose calling was to rebuild the church. And that's exactly what Pope Francis has in his heart to do in his time, as pope.



St. Francis has some other details about him as well. He was a Roman Catholic mystic known for having visions and performing miracles. His writings are some that is often used to promote the Spiritual Formation/Eastern Mysticism movement that is infiltrating the Protestant churches today. Here is some interesting history about him and his order:

"The damage inflicted on the Papacy by the corruption and notorious profligacy of the monks must be repaired - but how? The reformation of the early orders was hopeless; but new fraternities could be called into existence. This was the method adopted. The order of Franciscans was instituted by Innocent III in the year 1215, and the Dominicans were sanctioned by his successor Honorius III a few years later (1218). The object of their institution was to recover, by means of their humility, poverty, and apostolic zeal, the credit which had been lost to the Church through the pride, wealth, and indolence of the elder monks. Moreover, the new times on which the Church felt that she was entering, demanded new services. Preachers were needed to confute the heretics, and this was carefully kept in view in the constitution of the newly-created orders... St. Francis, the founder of the Franciscans, or Minorites, as they came to be termed, was born at Assisi, in Umbria, in 1182." History of Protestantism vol.1 book 2 pg.78

It is highly significant that this "calling" of St. Francis that Tony speaks about, was to "rebuild" or in the language of this historical quote "recover" "the credit which had been lost to the Church" of Rome! This was the purpose of Saint Francis of Assisi, and as Tony said and as we will see, this is why Pope Francis chose this namesake. Look at this article by CNN:



"There are cornerstone figures in Catholicism," such as St. Francis, Allen said. Figures of such stature as St. Francis of Assisi seem "irrepeatable -- that there can be only one Francis," he added.

The name symbolizes "poverty, humility, simplicity and rebuilding the Catholic Church," Allen said. "The new pope is sending a signal that this will not be business as usual."

Have we, not only during the Protestant Reformation, but also even more recently, seen a lot of scandals and other things that have caused the Catholic Church to "lose credit" that she would now want to "recover?"

St. Francis as well, as the other new orders was also carefully chosen to, as it said, "confute heretics." Of course, according to the writings of the Roman Catholic Church, it is us, the Protestants, that they consider "heretics." From the Catechism of the Catholic Church in section 2089 we read:

"Heresy is the obstinate post-baptismal denial of some truth which must be believed with divine and catholic faith, or it is likewise an obstinate doubt concerning the same...schism is the refusal of submission to the Roman Pontiff or of communion with the members of the Church subject to him."

According to the dictionary, the word "confute" means:

"To disprove; to prove to be false or wrong, defective or invalid; to overthrow".

In other words, the purpose of St. Francis was to overthrow, to disprove, Protestants.

These three popes, John Paul, Benedict, and Francis, have been fully supportive of the renewal of the Holy Spirit within the Catholic Church. Each year, we would meet with them, and they would spur us on. They continually spurred us on, that we would fan the flames of the spirit within Catholic congregations and their new communities because the Catholic Church is having a new expression of church within their church through what they call "New Communities" – which are highly evangelistic.

The Roman Catholic Charismatic Renewal began back in 1967, that's less than 50 years ago, in Duquesne University in North America, a handful of Catholic Christians got together for a prayer

meeting for the weekend. They'd heard about the renewal of Pentecost from the Azusa Street Revival. So they called a few Pentecostal friends to come to their prayer meeting for the weekend, and asked if they would lay hands on them, so that they, the Catholic Brothers and Sisters, could receive the baptism, the infilling of the Holy Spirit. And they did, and so these few Christians, Catholic Christians, back in 1967, receiving the Holy Spirit, in such a way they were baptized by the spirit; this movement has now grown to be over 200,000,000 born again and spirit filled Catholic Christians throughout the world. This is what the movement, how wide the movement is today.

It was during one of my missions with the Catholic Church to South America, where I met Arch, the Archbishop of Buenos Aires, Father Mario Bergoglio. He immediately struck up a relationship with me after hearing my testimony, and eventually he became one of my mentors and later, one of my spiritual fathers. Last year, my spiritual father, Mario, Father Mario Bergoglio, became Pope Francis.

Jesus says:

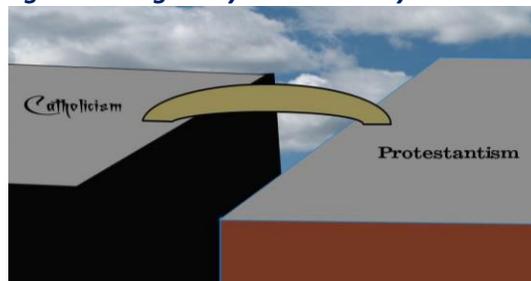
Matt. 23:9 And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven.

And much to my surprise, our friendship actually continued, and not only that, it has received a new impetus.

I am mature enough and sober enough to understand that if my spiritual father had become pope, now that his job description had changed, that my relationship would also change. But I'd like to say that pope Francis has made more time for me now while he's been pope, than we ever had before. It's a real blessing.

Pope Francis and I have covenant together, made covenant to work together for the visible unity of Christians. He asked me and consecrated me to be a bridge for the promotion of Christian unity. We emphasize the word visible, in visible unity, because it's already a theological fact that we are one in Christ.

Spiritual Formation/Eastern Mysticism/New Age language and an interesting concept – Tony consecrated to be a “bridge” to bring everyone into unity!



A “bridge” is a device that is used to span some sort of “gulf” between two objects. It connects one landmass with another landmass by “reaching over the abyss!” This is highly prophetic language!

No denominational doctrine, nor any church expression, can destroy this theological fact, that we are one in Christ.

Here I would have to respectfully but strongly disagree!

First of all, this is spoken of like it is “a fact” – when it is not in the realm of “fact!”

A “fact” is “Reality or truth” but this – “one in Christ” - cannot be said of all the world’s “Christians.”

Gal. 3:27-29 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Here the Bible is talking to those who have been baptized into Christ and have put on Christ and it says that they are “one in Christ” and as such are Abraham’s seed.

Yet scripture is very plain – not all who are “Abraham’s seed” are truly one in Christ!

Rom 9:6-8 Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For they are not all Israel, which are of Israel: Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they all children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called. That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed.

So what makes a person, the “seed of Abraham” and “one in Christ?”

John 8:39 They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them, If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham.

Gen. 26:5 Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.

In other words, through “obedience to God” and “faith in Jesus Christ” are we to become “one in Christ!”

It is through the combination of these two characteristics that we become one in Christ. Many like to claim to believe in Jesus, but they refuse to obey Him.

If “Belief” was the only thing necessary, then Satan and his angels could return to heaven.

James 2:19-20 Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble. But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

Our sin, common to all, is that we do not allow our unity in Christ to be visible to those around us. In this video, we have a short message from both myself and from pope Francis. I introduce the fact that since 1999, the protest of Luther is over – And therefore we are now living in a Post Protestant era.

Here again, this is referred to as a “fact” when in actuality it is not!

First of all, it was not “the protest of Luther” because Luther was only one of many Protestant reformers! Wikipedia lists over 300 Protestant reformers, and I’m sure that their list is only partial. Not only Martin Luther, but also John Calvin, John Knox, William Tyndale, John Wycliffe and many others.

Second, in order to determine if the “protest is over” we should understand, what the protest was – There is the 5 Pillars of the Reformation.



The 95 Theses that Luther nailed to the door were actually fighting against the doctrine of indulgences! Not to mention all the other “protests” against the doctrines of Rome.

I am reminded by my time in South Africa, I grew up 27 years in South Africa, that even though Apartheid officially ended in 1991, racism continued.

Apartheid is within the law, but racism is an issue of the heart. We may be living officially in a post protestant era, but many Christians today continue to suffer from spiritual racism. This is the sin, this is *the* sin, against the cross.

What is being portrayed here is that, if you allow any doctrine to keep you divided from the rest of Christendom, then you are a “spiritual racist” for refusing to join with them.

Since the majority of people understand the fact that “racism” is bad and evil, by linking the word “spiritual” with it, the video is trying to attack and destroy spiritual doctrines. This is what is sometimes called “Guilt by Association.” (By association of something that is good, with something that is bad, it enables them to “appear” to discredit that which is good.)

But let’s turn this around the other way;

if I choose to stick with my convictions of what the Bible says is truth and stay faithful to the doctrine of scripture – even against all the peer pressure that can be leveled against me to compromise – are not those who call me a “spiritual racist,” themselves practicing a form of racism against me?!

1Cor. 6:15-16 Know ye not that your bodies are the members of Christ? shall I then take the members of Christ, and make them the members of an harlot? God forbid. What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh.

Isaiah 5:20-21 Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!

The cross unites but spiritual racism divides. It aims to divide that which Christ in His own torn body, united. And if we elevate anything, if we allow anything to cause division among the body, or to stop us from having unity as a body; whatever that thing is, whether it be a doctrine, or an expression, or some form of service – then we elevate that thing that causes us to be divided, higher, than the cross itself.

The video portrays that division is caused by sin. This is true. Sin divides, as can be attested to by anyone who has ever had a spouse that committed adultery!

But sin is not the only thing that brings division as we will see shortly!

And what exactly is “sin”?

1 John 3:4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. This means that it is the transgression of the law of God that causes Christians to be divided.

The video just stated that the “cross unites but spiritual racism divides” – so using its own definition, we should see, in history, that at the crucifixion of Christ, the scribes and Pharisees along with the Roman soldiers all united in loving unity with the disciples of Christ – Right??

I’m afraid not! You see, the cross ONLY BRINGS UNITY among those who are faithfully following God!

The cross CAUSES DIVISION to come between the faithful and the unfaithful!

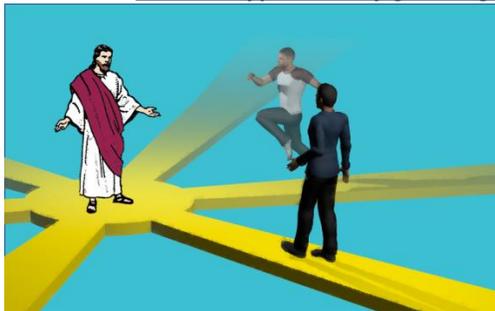
John 7:43 So there was a division among the people because of him.

There is nothing higher than the torn body of Christ on the cross and that's what makes us one. Not our doctrines, not our traditions, the body of Christ – torn, separated, that we may be made one. When we prohibit the unity of Christians, we are rejecting the work of the cross. Ephesians tells us that Christ died to create one new man.

Actually, there is something higher than the torn body of Christ on the cross – Christ resurrected and fulfilling the role of our Mediator in heaven!

John 14:23-24 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

One of the big problems that I see with this whole video is that it has the wrong understanding of “unity.” It is trying to convince everyone to come into unity with Rome. But true unity is not something that can be “forced” or “made” – it is the natural byproduct of growing closer to Christ.



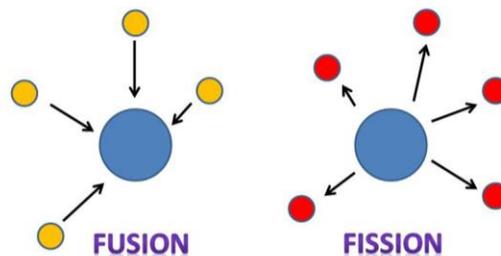
Think of a wheel with many spokes radiating out from the center. In the center, the hub, is Christ – everything revolves around Him. All mankind is out at the rim and each Christian (that is drawing closer to Christ) is moving through a spoke heading for Christ at the center. Notice that the spokes automatically draw closer to each other as they get nearer to the hub.

What happens when one spoke starts trying to force itself into unity with the other spokes?

The wheel gets bent and collapses!

But yet, if the spoke focuses on staying faithful to the hub and following the line that the “Maker” designed it to, then the wheel works the way it is supposed to and, by default, the spokes become united at the hub!

If you go “outward” from the hub (draw away from Christ through loss of faith and obedience) then you automatically draw further from each other.



This illustration can also be seen in the atom, neutrons, protons, etc. In “nuclear fusion” the power is made by “drawing to the nucleus”, and in “nuclear fission” the power is made by “drawing away from the nucleus.” Nuclear fusion is what powers the sun and mankind has not figured out how to

successfully harness this much power. Nuclear fission is what mankind “thinks” that they can control (just like they think they can control sin – drawing away from Christ) but as can be testified by Fukushima, it will get “out of control.”

In my last meeting with pope Francis, we made a short video on my iphone. He wanted to greet all the non-Roman Catholic brothers and sisters and call us all to put an end to the separation between Catholic Christians and all other Christians. It was his desire to speak to us by video and that’s what we’re about to show you – and to give us a personal call to unity. A unity, which he told me, was not uniformity, but a meeting of diversity – in fact – he said to me, “No one is coming home, we are journeying, we are pilgrimaging towards each other, and we will meet in the middle.” He was adamant in making it clear to me that no one is coming home! But we are meeting in the middle, we are journeying towards each other.

I have learned from numerous experiences in my life, that when someone “volunteers” information and “emphasizes” it – there is usually a good reason. When a man says to me, “Just trust me” – it usually is a sure sign that others have found him to be a liar and untrustworthy, hence he feels the need to stress that he is trustworthy.

So why would the pope volunteer and emphasize that Protestants who unite with Rome are NOT “coming home?”

If you do a search through the writings of the Roman Catholic Church and the numerous Catholic websites, you will find numerous references and calls made to Protestants to “Come back home to the Catholic Church.” There is even a whole ministry called ‘The Coming Home Network’ designed to help Protestants come back to the Roman Catholic Church.

And all through the Catholic Churches own writings, the Papacy is considered the “Mother Church” and all the other church denominations are referred to as her wayward children!

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Pope Francis said the church should approach its members with the face of a patient, merciful and understanding mother, who always forgives her erring children and never ceases to pray that they resume the path of Christian living...Pope Francis likened the church to a mother who never gives up on her children even when they err...Likewise, the pope said, the church seeks always to help and encourage its wayward children: "never shuts the church's doors; does not judge, but offers God's forgiveness, offers the love that invites even those children who have fallen into a deep abyss to return to the path." catholicnews.com/data/stories/cns/1303950.htm



The screenshot shows the Catholic News Service website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, About Us, Contacts, and Products. Below this is the main header with the Catholic News Service logo and name. A sidebar on the left contains a list of categories: News Items, Top Stories, News Briefs, Vatican, Origins, Africa, Headlines, Also Featuring, Movie Reviews, Sunday Scripture, CNS Blog, Links to Clients, Major Events, 2009 papal visit, World Youth Day, and John Paul II. The main content area features a "CNS Story" section with the headline "POPE-AUDIENCE Sep-18-2013 (540 words) With photos. xxxi" and the sub-headline "Pope says church should face wayward members like a merciful mother". Below the headline is a photograph of Pope Francis smiling and clapping. To the right of the photo, the author is listed as "By Francis X. Rocca, Catholic News Service". The article text begins with "VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Pope Francis said the church should approach its members with the face of a patient, merciful and understanding mother, who always forgives her erring children and never ceases to pray that they resume the path of Christian living."

And in his video, Pope Francis tells us, that the miracle of unity has begun.

Rev. 13:14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

We will see each other at the end of this video where I will finish off with some reflections and some challenges. Enjoy.

Changes to Minister's Conference Video



Tony speaking again

We are living in an incredibly important generation. I believe that God has brought me here to this year's minister's conference, in the spirit of Elijah. Let me explain.

If you look carefully, the spirit of Elijah was on John the Baptist to turn the hearts of the sons to the fathers; and to turn the hearts of the fathers to the sons, to prepare the way for the Lord. And we know that prophecy always has a double fulfillment, and we know that Elijah will come before the second coming as well. And I've understood that the spirit of Elijah is the spirit of reconciliation, to return hearts to each other. This is very important.

This comment is referring to the verse in Malachi 4. Notice what the Bible says:

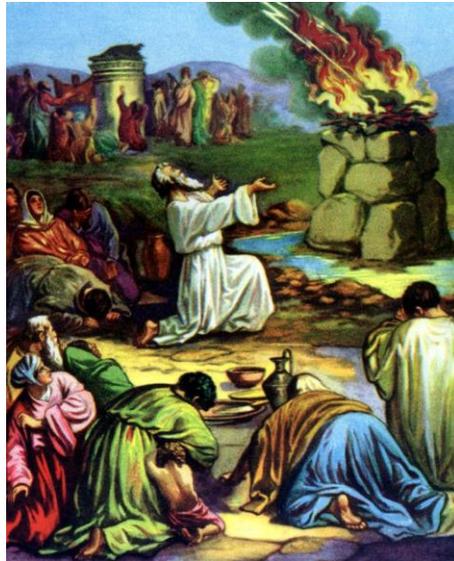
Mal 4:4-6 Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments. Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

If you will notice, it is a call back to obedience to the law.

In fact, a look back at the story of Elijah reveals that the "spirit of Elijah" was boldly standing for truth, even when it seemed that the whole world was against him. Elijah felt that he was the only one, left in Israel, that was still faithful to God.

What was Elijah's message?

1 Kings 18:21 And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD be God, follow him: but if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word.



***Elijah was calling apostate Israel back from their idol worship to the worship of the true God!
To use the “spirit of Elijah” as a call for unity “outside” of Bible doctrine (to Rome), would have to be considered a “counterfeit Elijah message.”***

We know that the first thousand years there was one church, it was called the Catholic Church, and the word “Catholic” means “Universal”, it doesn't mean “Roman”.

Catholic means you're, if you're born again, raise your hand if you're born again – you're a Catholic. (Laughter)

Take back, redeem what belongs to you. We are Catholics!

Here, through the use of humor, an erroneous thought is planted in everyone's minds, that they really don't have much difference between them and the Catholic system of beliefs.

“Once you have them by their funny bone, their hearts and minds will follow.” Robert Wieder

This is actually a propaganda technique called the Bandwagon Approach.

“Humor can be employed as part of the bandwagon effect, which tries to create the perception that “everyone is doing it” and that the official party is mainstream and popular.”

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And then there was the split at the end of the first millennium, we had the orthodox, the east and west, two churches. Then 500 years later we have Luther and his protest, three churches in 1500 years – three denominations, not three churches.

And then, from Luther's protest onwards, 33,000 new denominations.

I've come to understand that diversity is divine, its division that's diabolic! (audience clapping)

According to the dictionary, the word “Diabolic” means “Devilish; pertaining to the devil; hence, extremely malicious; impious; atrocious; nefarious; outrageously wicked; partaking of any quality ascribed to the devil.”

Where do we see division first take place in the Bible?

Gen 1:4 And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.

So if division is a quality of the devil – then God Himself was resorting to using the devil’s qualities!?

You see, what this video is teaching is directly contrary to the Biblical teaching that there can be no unity between truth and error, light and darkness.

And the Bible also teaches that it is God Himself that puts the division between them!

It’s true what you were saying about the glory, I agree with you of course it’s true. The glory that the Father had he gave to Jesus. The glory was the presence of God. What is the charismatic renewal? It’s when we experience the presence of God, and he said and I give them the glory, pragmatic reason, so that they may be one! It’s the glory that glues us together, not the doctrines. It’s the glory.

If you accept that Christ is living in me and the presence of God is in me and the presence of God is in you, that’s all we need, because God will sort out all our doctrines when we get upstairs.

This video downplays the importance of “doctrine” and stresses that all we need is love, unity, and the presence of God. This is the same teaching as can be found in Hinduism/Buddhism/Eastern Mysticism.

What is the “glory of God?”

John 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

What “separates us” from the “glory of God?”

Rom 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.

This means that it is “sin,” not “doctrine” or “truth,” that separates us from the glory of God. True “Doctrine” is a vital part of the “Glory!”

Remember, sin is the transgression of God’s law! Sin is “not abiding” in the obedience and submission to God. Christ came to teach us, by His example, how to live in obedience and submission to God!

2 John 1:9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.

What does the Bible teach about “doctrine?”

2 Tim. 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

With all this talk in this video about “doctrine” not being important, I can’t help but think of this verse:

2 Tim. 4:2-3 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

According to the dictionary, the word “doctrine” means

“to teach, anything that is taught, instruction and confirmation of truth.”

In other words, “doctrine” can be either truth or error – and only the Holy Scriptures can reveal which doctrines are truth and which are error! True unity can only be achieved by coming to the Truth!

Isa. 43:9 Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, It is truth.

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Therefore Christian unity is the basis of our credibility, because Jesus said “until they’re one they will not believe.” The world will not believe, as they should, until we are one.

This is true, because as long as we try to force ourselves into unity – instead of coming into a natural unity by accepting truth – we have nothing that the world wants!

For example: look at all the “Peace Treaties” [forced unity] that have been signed throughout the history of the world – and notice how long it lasted!

Division destroys our credibility. It is fear that keeps us separated, because fear is false evidence appearing real, it’s an acronym F E A R false evidence appearing real, because most of your fear is based on propaganda.

Now why is it historic? – Because in 1999, the Roman Catholic Church and the Protestant Lutheran Church signed an agreement that brought an end to the protest.

Luther believed that we are saved by grace through faith – alone, (*comment from crowd*) Amen, but that’s not it. The Catholic Church believed that we were saved by works – and that was the protest!

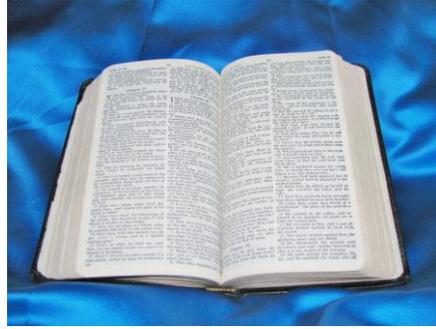
In actuality, the “Protest” was much more extensive than just portrayed.

“The protest of the Reformers was directed, not only against the worship of the Virgin and saints, but against the priestly assumptions of the clergy and the principle of sacramental efficacy, and it was the protest against the latter which evoked the chief fury of their persecutors. Their protest, in short, was against the principle of Catholicism, which is idolatry, or the substitution of material and created things for Christ. For whether it is the mediation of the Virgin and saints, or a trust in the guidance of the priesthood and in the spiritual efficacy of the sacraments administered by them, or a belief in the virtue of holy water, holy oil, images, crucifixes, relics, and other material symbols and ritual acts, they one and all combine to take the place of Christ to the sinner, and keep him from going to Him for life.

Instead of these things, the Reformers asserted that salvation was dependent on Christ alone, and that the sinner, instead of assuming himself to be a Christian in virtue of the rite of baptism, could only become so by a true, living, and constant faith in Christ; and that the Word of God and the Spirit of God, and not the priesthood, were the only guide to the truth.—“The True Christ and the False Christ,” J.

Garnier, Vol. II, p. 140. London: George Allen, 1900

Protestants also believe that the Bible alone is the inspired and authoritative word of God - the only infallible authority for faith and doctrine. They also believe that the Bible is accessible to all—that it may be clearly understood and that it interprets itself.



This is in direct opposition to Roman Catholic theology.

Catholic theology teaches that scripture is only part of the information needed and that you also have to use the traditions of the Church and the writings of the Church Fathers and scholars to interpret scripture.

"Tradition we have hitherto described as the consciousness of the church, as the living word of faith, according to which the Scriptures are to be interpreted and to be understood. The doctrine of tradition contains, in this sense, nothing else than the doctrine of Scripture; both, as to their contents, are one and the same. But, moreover, it is asserted by the Catholic Church that many things have been delivered to her by the apostles, which Holy Writ either doth not at all comprise, or at most, but alludes to. This assertion of the church is of the greatest moment, and partially indeed, includes the foundations of the whole system." "Symbolism," John Adam Moehler, D. D. (R. C.), 5th edition, pp. 292, 293. London: Thomas Baker, 1906.

"1. While the Protestant church asserts that the sacred writings of the Old and New Testaments are the only sure source of religious knowledge, and constitute the sole rule of faith, the Roman Catholic Church assumes the existence of another source, together with the Bible, viz., tradition...3. The Roman Catholic Church claims the sole right of interpreting the Scripture, while the Protestant Church concedes this right, in a stricter sense, to every one who possesses the requisite gifts and attainments, but in a more comprehensive sense to every Christian who seeks after salvation; it proceeds upon the principle that Scripture is its own interpreter, according to the analogia fidei."

"A History of Christian Doctrines," Dr. K. R. Hagenbach, Vol. III, pp. 39, 40 Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark, 1880

Rome also teaches in her own writings that the pope, as the Vicar of Christ, is infallible, and that the Papal Church "can never err!"

"It is the whole fulness of power over the collective church, as well as over every individual, claimed by the popes since Gregory VII, and expressed in the numerous bulls since Unam Sanctam, which is henceforth to be believed by every Catholic, and acknowledged in public life. This power is boundless and incalculable; it can interfere everywhere, as Innocent III says, where sin is, can punish everybody, brooks no appeal, and is absolute arbitrariness; for the Pope, as Boniface VIII expressed it, carries every privilege in the shrine of his breast. As he has become infallible, he can, at any moment, with the one little word orbi (thereby addressing the whole church), make every statute, every doctrine, and every postulate, an infallible and irrevocable article of faith. As opposed to him, there exists no right, no personal or corporative freedom, or, as the canonists say, "the tribunals of God and the Pope are one and the same."-"Declarations and Letters on the Vatican Decrees," Dr. J. J. Ign. von Döllinger (R. C.), p. 102. Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark, 1891.

The Catholic Church claims to have the right to change Scripture and the law of God to match their doctrines. They have taken the 2nd Commandment (which condemns their practice of worshipping images of saints) out of the 10 Commandments and split 10th one so they still have 10!

10 Commandments as changed
by Papal Church

1. *I am the Lord thy God; thou shalt not have strange gods before me.*
2. *Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.*
3. *Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.*
4. *Honor thy father and thy mother.*
5. *Thou shalt not kill.*
6. *Thou shalt not commit adultery.*
7. *Thou shalt not steal.*
8. *Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.*
9. *Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife.*
10. *Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's goods.*

Original 10 Commandments

1. *I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.*
2. *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: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.*
3. *Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.*
4. *Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.*
5. *Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.*
6. *Thou shalt not kill.*
7. *Thou shalt not commit adultery.*
8. *Thou shalt not steal.*
9. *Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.*
10. *Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.*

There are actually many more “disagreements on theology” that Protestants had with the Catholic Church, than can be listed in this paper. Go back into the history books of the Protestant Reformation and see for yourself!

In 1999, they wrote this together, because in the Protestant Church we've got a lot of cheap salvations; people were getting born again but no fruit whatsoever. And because we didn't even look for fruits, it wasn't the issue, cause it wasn't necessary for salvation, and no its not, but it's a good judge if you are saved.

Salvation is a gift of God to those who accept that gift by faith in Jesus Christ. There is nothing we can do to “earn” that gift! But there will not be anyone saved who is deliberately breaking God’s Law! The fact that God’s law cannot be changed or amended is proven by the fact that Jesus had to die to pay the price for its violation!

Just like if a police officer catches me speeding, by the “law” I am condemned! There is nothing I can do to change that. But if that officer decides not to give me a ticket and to let me go with just a warning, he has extended his “grace” to me. If I choose to accept his “grace” by my “faith” then I am free to continue my trip – but that “grace” should make me careful to watch my speed from then on. That “grace” does not, in any way, change or abolish the law! By the definition of the law I am still a transgressor, but now I have been “saved by grace through faith” – but this does not give me the right to speed again, the law is still binding upon me – in fact, if I truly appreciate that officer’s “grace” then I will do all in my power to “obey the law” from then on!

So what these two churches did, they put the two definitions together – listen to it – I'm reading verbatim from the Catholic Vatican website:

“Justification means that Christ himself is our righteousness, in which we share through the Holy Spirit in accord with the will of the Father. Together we, Catholics and Protestants, Lutherans, believe and confess that by grace alone in faith in Christ’s saving works and not because of any merit on our part, we are accepted by God and receive the Holy Spirit who renews our hearts while equipping and calling us to good works.” (audience cheering and clapping)

This brought an end to the protest of Luther! Brothers and sisters, the protest is over – is yours? In 1999 this was signed, by the Lutheran church, the federation worldwide, later, about five years later, the worldwide Methodists signed the same agreement, but as of today we still have had no Protestant Evangelical that will stand up and sign this agreement, to agree with our brothers and sisters that we are saved by grace through faith to good works.

And I believe that's something that needs to be fixed. There's a challenge for you.

So the protest has been over for 15 years. And I get a bit cheeky here, cause I challenge my Protestant pastor friends, if there is no more protest, how can there be a Protestant church?

Maybe we, now we're all Catholics again! (audience Laughing)

But we are reformed; we're Catholic in the Universal sense. We're not protesting the doctrine of salvation by the Catholic church anymore, we now preach the same gospel, we now preach you're saved by grace through faith alone – the word Alone was the argument for 500 years! The word alone is there, you can read it yourself – the protest is over! The protest is over!

(audience clapping)

Is this a St. Francis attempt to “confute the heretics?”

Can you see how everyone’s minds are being persuaded toward unity with Rome?

It is very enlightening that in this "Joint Declaration" document that is claimed to have put an end to Luther's protest, only a couple of the sentences were read. This "Joint Declaration" is about 20 pages long and words and rewords its phrases until the mind of a common man is practically swimming! But what is even more interesting, is that Rome claims infallibility! If this is the case, then how could they sign a document that contradicts what they have taught as their version of truth in the past? The answer to this can be found in the term "Amphibology!"

This is the means of saying one thing and actually meaning something totally different.

Let me give you just a simple example:

"Flying planes can be dangerous."

Now depending on how you view this sentence, will determine what you mean by saying this sentence. Either the act of flying planes is dangerous, or planes that are flying are dangerous. Same wording, but totally different meanings!

And this is how Rome can sign documents that the Protestants think are showing a change in her doctrines, but in actuality she is not changing at all – it is the Protestants who are changing to come back into line with Rome!

In case you doubt what I am saying, you should notice what Cardinal Cassidy, President of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christianity Unity, had to say about this "Joint Declaration" document.

*"Asked whether there was anything in the official common statement contrary to the Council of Trent, Cardinal Cassidy said: 'Absolutely not, otherwise how could we do it? We cannot do something contrary to an ecumenical council. **There's nothing there that the Council of Trent condemns**' (Ecumenical News International, 11/1/99)*

So there is nothing in the "Joint Declaration" with the Lutherans that is contrary to the rulings of the Council of Trent! This should make Protestants sit up and pay attention!

Here is just one of many excerpts from the Council of Trent:

"CANON XII.-If any one saith, that justifying faith is nothing else but confidence in the divine mercy which remits sins for Christ's sake; or, that this confidence alone is that whereby we are justified; let him be anathema [condemned or excommunication with curses]."

Obviously, there is some amphibology being practiced in this "Joint Declaration!"

If there is not, there is much in it that is contradicting the Council of Trent!

And I would just like to point out what the Protestant Reformers had to say about the Papal Church.

Martin Luther

"The conviction is daily growing upon me, that the Pope is Antichrist." History of Protestantism book 5

"Unless with all your hearts you abandon the Papacy, you cannot save your souls. The reign of the Pope is so opposed to the law of Christ and the life of the Christian, that it will be safer to roam the desert and never see the face of man, than abide under the rule of Antichrist. I warn every man to look to his soul's welfare, lest by submitting to the Pope he deny Christ. The time is come when Christians must choose between death here and death hereafter. For my own part, I choose death here. I cannot lay such a burden upon my soul as to hold my peace in this matter: I must look to the great reckoning. I abominate the Babylonian pest. As long as I live I will proclaim the truth. If the wholesale destruction of souls

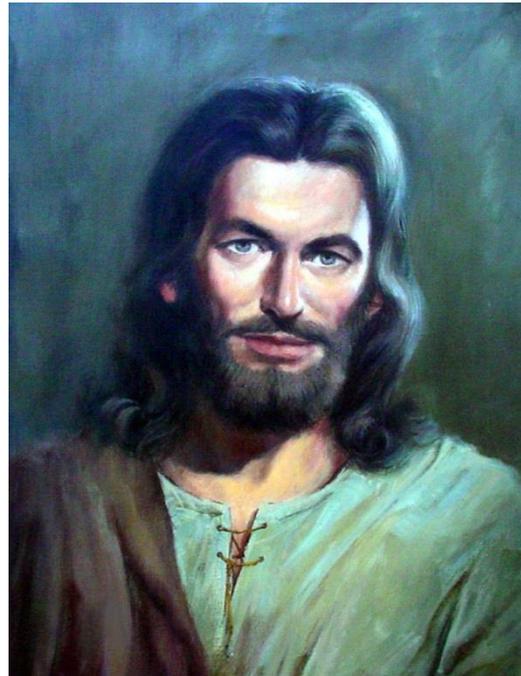
throughout Christendom cannot be prevented, at least I shall labor to the utmost of my power to rescue my own countrymen from the bottomless pit of perdition." History of Protestantism book 6

John Wycliffe

"Antichrist, the proud worldly priest of Rome, and the most cursed of clippers and purse-kervers." History of Protestantism book 2

In fact, many of the Protestant Reformers (those who founded the current Protestant churches of today) claimed that the Papacy was Antichrist! What would they think of their churches today?

You know, they say a picture is worth a thousand words.



"Vicar of Christ" – Heads the Richest Organization in the World Jesus Christ - Hath not where to lay his head

So let me pray and then we'll start the video.

I believe we will begin to see more and more people called out, to go into the world and work among the churches in the spirit of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children and the hearts of the children to the fathers to make ready a people prepared for the Lord – ministries of reconciliation.

We need to throw as much resources and energy into the ministry of reconciliation as we do to the ministry of evangelization. Or are we building walls without foundations?

I challenge you to find a bridge builder and back him – or her.

And I'd like to pray this prayer and if you agree you can say amen.

This was a dying man's prayer, and when you know you're about to die, you certainly pray the most important prayers.

He said, I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in me through their word that they all may be one as you father are in me and I in you, that they may also be one in us, so that the world may believe that you sent me. And the glory which you have given me, I have given them, that they may be one as we are one.

Glory to the Father. Amen. (audience Amen & Clapping)

Of course, the rest of Christ's prayer does not support the idea that doctrine doesn't matter.

John 17:15-19 I pray not that thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that thou shouldst keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

Changes to Pope's Video



(Pope Francis begins by speaking English)

“Dear Brothers and Sisters Excuse me, because I speak in Italian. But I am not speaking English. But I will speak no Italian, no English, but ‘heartfully’.

Notice that the pope says that he is going to speak the language of the heart. This is very dangerous.

Jer. 17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

This also means that the language that you “hear,” is not necessarily what he is saying. In other words, just like in Tony’s carefully calculated language, the pope is saying something in “hidden” language.

(Pope Francis changes to Italian)

It’s a language, more simple and more authentic. And this language of the heart has special [particular] language and grammar. A simple grammar.

It is interesting to me that the pope is making this message specifically to be presented to this minister’s convention in Texas (obviously an English speaking gathering). He begins, speaking English, which of course you would expect, but then, after specifying that he will not speak Italian or English, he switches to Italian – and the rest of the message given to this gathering of English speaking Americans is in Italian! Exactly what could be the significance in this ‘change of languages’?

“The first thing to change when one cultural force overcomes another and takes over a society is language. When you control a people’s way of describing things, you control their way of dealing with them.” Robert Mendelsohn M.D.

“Two rules: Love God above all, and love the other (neighbor), because he is your brother and sister. With these two rules we can go ahead. I am here with my brother, my bishop brother, Tony Palmer. We’ve been friends for years. He told me about your conference, about your meeting. And it’s my pleasure to greet you. A greeting both joyful and nostalgic (yearning).

Interesting choice of words – nostalgic – it means “to return home, homesickness, excessively sentimental yearning for return to or of some past period or irrecoverable condition.”

I thought that Tony said that the pope says “nobody is coming”?!

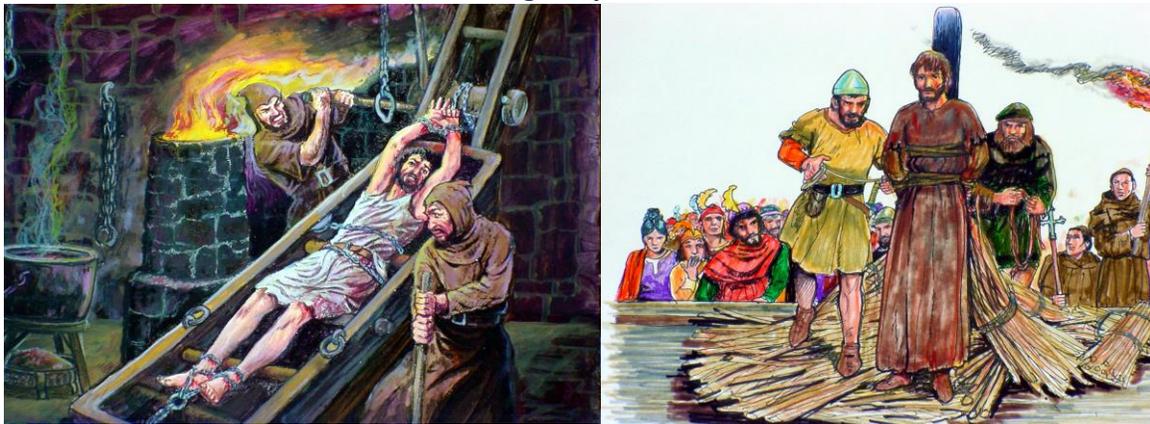
Or is the pope longing for the return of the Papal supremacy of the Dark Ages when Rome held everyone under her control?! Remember the concept of “amphibology!”

Joyful because it gives me joy that you have come together to worship Jesus Christ the only Lord. And to pray to the Father and to receive the Holy Spirit. This brings me joy because we can see that God is working all over the world. Nostalgic (yearning) because but… it happens, as within our suburbs. In the suburbs there are families that love each other and families that don’t love each other, families that come together and families who separate themselves. We are kind of… permit me to say, separated.

Separated because, it’s sin that has separated us, all our sins, the misunderstandings throughout history.

Which “misunderstandings?”

Was it “misunderstandings” of the evil character of the Papacy that caused millions upon millions of Protestants to stand up for Bible truth even in the face of torture and execution by the “kind and loving” Papal “Mother” Church?



It has been a long road of sins that we all shared in. Who is to blame? We all share the blame. We have all sinned. There is only one blameless, the Lord.

Yet the papal Church claims “Infallibility” and the pope dresses in white. Just ask any new bride why she is wearing a “white” dress. It is common knowledge that white represents innocence and purity!

I am nostalgic (yearning), that this separation comes to an end and gives us communion. I am nostalgic (yearning), of that embrace. That the Holy Scripture speaks of when Joseph’s brothers began to starve from hunger, they went to Egypt, to buy, so that they could eat.

They went to buy. They had money. But they couldn't eat the money. But there they found something more than food, they found their Brother.

Do you realize what was just done? He just compared himself with Joseph and us (Protestants) with Joseph's brothers. Do you realize the significance of that?

Joseph, in the Bible, is a "type" of Christ. His exile to Egypt in order to save his brethren is a portrayal of Christ having to come to earth (Egypt) to save His "brethren."

The pope just likened himself to Christ!

Not only that, but Joseph was innocent – there is not recorded any "sin" in his life (Of course, we know that he was a sinner just like us, because only Christ was sinless – but because his story is paralleling Christ, none of his sins are recorded in Scripture.)

Here the pope, claiming with his mouth to be guilty of sin with the rest of us, compares himself to a character portraying sinlessness.

There is also something else significant with this comparison.

He just called the Protestants, like Joseph's brothers, to come down to Egypt! I believe the Bible has some counsel for us Protestants:

Isaiah 30:1-3 Woe to the rebellious children, saith the LORD, that take counsel, but not of me; and that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit, that they may add sin to sin: That walk to go down into Egypt, and have not asked at my mouth; to strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and to trust in the shadow of Egypt! Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt your confusion.

Isa 31:1-3 Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help; and stay on horses, and trust in chariots, because they are many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong; but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek the LORD! Yet he also is wise, and will bring evil, and will not call back his words: but will arise against the house of the evildoers, and against the help of them that work iniquity. Now the Egyptians are men, and not God; and their horses flesh, and not spirit. When the LORD shall stretch out his hand, both he that helpeth shall fall, and he that is holpen shall fall down, and they all shall fail together.

Jer. 17:5 Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.

Remember that this video is speaking with "hidden" meaning. Not only the words, with its amphibology, but also in the surroundings, the hand signals and actions, the dress – it is all saying something to the insiders that understand it.

All of us have currency. The currency of our culture. The currency of our history. (pope starts handling his necklace then opens it) We have lot of cultural riches, and religious riches. And we have diverse traditions. (pope makes eye contact with viewer and abruptly snaps necklace shut) But we have to encounter one another as Brothers. We must cry together like Joseph did. These tears will unite us. The tears of love.

I am speaking to you as a brother. I speak to you in a simple way. With joy and nostalgia (yearning). Let us allow our nostalgia (yearning) to grow, because this will propel us to find each other, to embrace one another. And together to worship Jesus Christ as the only Lord of History. I thank you profoundly for listening to me. I thank you profoundly for allowing me to speak the language of the heart. And I also ask you a favor. Please pray for me, because I need your prayers. And I will pray for you, I will do it, but I need your prayers. And let us pray to the Lord that He unites us all. Come on, we are Brothers. Let's give each other a spiritual hug and let God complete the work that he has begun. And this is a miracle; the miracle of unity has begun.

A famous Italian author named Manzoni, once wrote in his novel, of a simple man amongst the people, who once said this, "I've never seen God begin a miracle without Him finishing it well." He will complete this miracle of unity. I ask you to bless me, and I bless you. From Brother to Brother, I embrace you. Thank you." *(end of Pope's video)*



(Tony Palmer speaking again)

I hope you were blessed by what you have just seen and heard. I wanted to close the video with a couple of reflections, just so we don't miss what Pope Francis said, and also a challenge. Hearing is not enough, we must act! We must keep up with the Spirit of God, and ride this wave of the tsunamis.



A spiritual tsunamis! I can't think of a better comparison. A tsunamis is a great big wall of water from the sea (people – Rev. 17:15) that travels fast and destroys everything in its path!

This is a good illustration of what is coming!

Isaiah 59:19 So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him.

Firstly, it's both historic and healing to hear a Roman pontiff refer to us as brothers and sisters. Pope Francis is the head, of 1.2 billion Christians, and he embraced us into his family as brothers and his sisters. And calls us, to put an end to our separation. He mentions in his video, that he is yearning to see an end of our separation.

Pope Francis himself is the one who is asking for full unity and full communion.

1 John 1:6-7 If we say that we have fellowship [communion] with him, and walk in darkness [error/sin], we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light [truth], as he is in the light, we have fellowship [communion] one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

What is striking is that he awakens us to the fact that the real communion is not the bread, but the brother! When he uses his story about the brothers of Joseph, with, because of their hunger, starvation in fact, they were then propelled to Egypt, to go find bread to eat. But they found something more than bread, they found their brother, and this, Pope Francis, is saying, this is what we find in the true communion, We find each other. We find our brotherhood. We find our brother and our sister that we thought we'd lost. When we look for bread, which we think we need, we are going to find our brother – with, which is what we really need!

This makes me think of John 6:35, because it is actually the bread that we really need:

And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.

We need to find that we are brothers and sisters again.

We, who are not Roman Catholics, are hungry for the bread of communion. But Pope Francis tells us, again, that the bread is secondary to brotherhood.

The real gift of communion is finding our brother. For those of us who have ears to hear, let us hear! Because this is both profound and revolutionary!

Webster's dictionary: "Profound - Intellectually deep; Having hidden qualities."

"Revolutionary - Tending to produce a revolution; a material or entire change in the constitution of government; Motion backward"

Pope Francis is calling us into an authentic communion, based on the fact that we are brothers and sisters in Christ, not communion through our common traditions.

This is a new way forward, and for many of us this is the way we've been waiting for.

A "New Way"??

Matt. 7:14-16 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it. Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits...

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

We must seize this moment. Therefore, I'd like to challenge leaders of all non-Roman Catholic Church denominations, speaking to all of us, all Reformed, all non-Roman Catholic Church leaders – that have not yet signed the joint declaration on the doctrine of Justification, which brought an official end to the protest back in 1999, fifteen years ago!

The first step in dealing with spiritual racism, is to abolish the law which empowers it!

There it is – the recommendation to "abolish the law"!

This is, in reality, what both the Papacy and the Apostate Protestants are really aiming at!

Matt. 5:17-18 Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil [to satisfy/fill full]. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

We need not, to continue in the sins of our fathers, if we want; we can stop anytime we want. And I'm asking, I'm challenging by the Spirit of God, that we, as non-Roman Catholics, we stop continuing in the sin of separation, that has been perpetuated through the history of the church!

We are a new generation! Let's take a new stand!

I challenge all church leaders to join the Lutheran worldwide federation and the Methodist worldwide church in agreeing with and accepting that the protest is over!

Are you willing to agree that mankind is saved by grace through faith alone to good works, not by good works?

Yes, I would agree that man is saved by grace through faith in Christ alone and when a person has made the decision to follow Christ, it will be shown by his works!

But I wouldn't sign any document joining hands with the Papacy over it, because as has already been pointed out, the Papacy does not believe this doctrine – even though, on the surface, they claim to.

This was the joint declaration that was signed back in 1999.

It's a new day for Christianity! How can we continue to live as Protestants in a post-Protestant era?

We are out of sync with reality. Let's wake up and unite so that the world may believe that God sent his son into the world and loves them as much as he loves his very own son.

Our unity is the basis for our credibility.

And our separation, our division, is the basis for them not believing us.

Diversity is divine, it is division that's diabolic!

Jesus says:

Luke 12:51 Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division:

I will close with this. Pope Francis personally told me, that we are free to allow this message, that you are listening to, this video that you are watching, to go all over the world on any and all media. We asked him, personally, before we made this video.

(Song "At Your Table" by Tim Rouse starts subtly playing in the background)

1 Cor. 10:21 ... ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils.

So share the good news, and let's begin an epidemic of love and unity among Christians of all denominations. In the name of Jesus, go and infect the world!

According to the dictionary "infect" means:

"To taint with disease, To contaminate with illegality, To communicate bad qualities to; to corrupt"

Interestingly, the word "illegality" means "Contrariety to law; unlawfulness"

May the peace and goodness of God the Father, the joy of God the Son, and the power of God the Spirit follow you on your pilgrimage.

I am Tony Palmer, your brother, in Christ! Bless you!

Here is an interesting statement from the Bible Echo, a Protestant paper published April 9, 1894:

"There will never be any true unity existing between those who stand under the banner of the arch-deceiver, and those who stand under the blood-stained banner of Prince Emmanuel. The followers of Christ may follow the things that make for peace; they may earnestly desire to overcome the spirit of discord with the spirit of kindness and love; but the enemy will stir up his agents to bring about strife and division. It is a grave mistake on the part of those who are children of God to seek to bridge the gulf that separates them from the children of darkness by yielding principle, by compromising the truth. It is

surrendering the peace of Christ to make peace with the world, to fraternize with the world. The sacrifice is too costly to be made, to have peace with the world by giving up the principles of truth.

Those who have the mind of Christ will let the light shine forth to the world in good works, but that light will bring about a division. Shall the light therefore be hid under a bed or under a bushel, because it will mark a distinction between the followers of Christ and the world? It must be made apparent that the believers in the truth are antagonistic to the serpent and to his seed. It was the purity of the character of Christ that stirred up the enmity of a profligate world. His spotless righteousness was a continual rebuke to their sin and uncleanness; but no principle of truth was compromised by Christ to win the favour of the world. Then let the followers of Christ settle it in their minds that they will never compromise truth, never yield one iota of principle for the favour of the world. Let them hold to the peace of Christ.”

I would just like to point out some interesting aspects of the video itself. In case the reader is not aware of it, when you see public pictures, many times, they are what some would refer to as “signal pictures.”

Those that are on the “inside” – the elite/powers that be – communicate with each other through different means. One of those is by “signal pictures.”

I once heard of a quote that said “In politics, nothing happens by accident. If it happens, you can bet it was planned that way.” I’m not sure who said that, but when you look at the political arena, it makes perfect sense.

You should realize that when pictures are being taken – hundreds of them are snapped, and then when the news article is written, only certain pictures are chosen to publish to the public that portray the message they want to send!

Here is an illustration of a simple “signal picture.”



Notice that both presidential candidates are shaking hands under the smiling face of Edward Cardinal Egan. This picture is telling the “insiders” (among other things) that Rome approves of either candidate.

Now take a good look at the setting of this video of Tony Palmer and Pope Francis.



Notice that Tony Palmer is wearing a black or basically a dark shirt. Notice also that the wall behind him in the first part of the video is red. Around his neck is a necklace holding a Tau Cross. Just off from his right shoulder is a votive candle holder with two identical candles except that one is higher than the other one. You will also notice as the video begins, that these two candles are swinging in sync with each other. There is also the corner of a picture showing in the top corner and in the opposite corner, a somewhat blurry figurine of something.

Now the reader can determine what these characteristics mean to them. I am just going to share what they say to me.

The first and most obvious is the red wall, which is a dark and strangely odd color for someone to choose to shoot a video in front of, that is to go around the world to reach all Christians. Since this video is a call to Christians to lay aside their differences and join in unity with the Papacy, it automatically makes me think of all the blood shed by the Christian martyrs, whom Rome slew for their refusal to unite with her in error. Could it be a subtle threat of persecution for refusing to unify? In the Bible, red, (along with the color black,) is also used as a color to represent sin/evil/wickedness (Is. 1:18, Pro. 7:9, Acts 26:18)

In this video, the lack of unity or the refusal to unify is referred to as “our sin” but in the video, only Tony is wearing black in front of a red wall – the pope is conveniently wearing white in front of a white wall, and according to Dan. 12:10 and Rev. 19:8, white is a representation of purity and righteousness.

Are the colors chosen for this video preaching a subtle message?



It seems that even though refusal to unify is referred to as “our sin” – the pope is not accepting any credit for the supposed sin.



You will also notice that when giving his message to the minister's convention, Tony, dressed in black, is standing in front of a bright blue wall. This "blue wall" would remind me of the law of God (Num. 15:38-39, Lam. 2:18, Pro. 7:2) – except that this "blue wall" is accompanying a call to join hands with Popery, which makes it a counterfeit. What connection do we find with the Roman Catholic Church and counterfeiting God's laws? The Sunday "Blue Laws"!

Is this video signaling the beginning of the move of Apostate Protestantism to bring in the National Sunday Law?

There are other things portrayed in the color schemes used in these various shots, but let's move on.



The next most obvious, to me, was the Tau Cross around Tony's neck. Even though I think of necklaces more like nooses that show confinement, most people wear things around their necks that mean something near and dear to them. Though the Bible speaks against the wearing of ornaments by Christians, many Christians today like to wear a cross around their neck. But this cross around Tony's neck is not an ordinary "Christian" cross. It is called the "Tau Cross."

The Tau cross is based on the Greek letter T (pronounced as "taw"); it is also the last letter in the Hebrew alphabet and literally means "Mark". It is thought to have originated with the Egyptians, and it was a symbol of the Roman god Mithras, the Greek god Attris, and the Sumerian solar god, Tammuz. When worn on a necklace it forms the Egyptian Ankh, the symbol for occult fertility worship.

This in itself would be bad enough, but Tammuz is not the only signification to this cross.

The Tau Cross is most commonly associated with and used in reference to the Franciscan Order and Saint Francis of Assisi, who founded the Order and adopted the Tau Cross as his personal coat of arms. It is now used as a symbol of the Franciscan Order. This "Saint Francis" is the very same individual that inspired the current pope to choose the name "Pope Francis".

Yet one more connection with this cross is that some traditions hold that St. Anthony the Great, one of the Desert Fathers, carried a Tau cross. St Anthony is venerated all over the world as the Patron Saint for lost articles, and he is credited with having done many miracles involving lost people, lost things and even lost spiritual goods. In January of 1946 Pope Pius XII proclaimed Anthony a Doctor of the Church, attributing to him the title Doctor Evangelicus ["Evangelical Doctor"].

So here in this video, Tony is wearing a symbol, that not only links him with Pope Francis via Saint Francis of Assisi and the pagan worship of Tammuz, but it also links him with Saint Anthony (Tony) as the "Evangelical Doctor!"

It is very clear to me that parts of this video are carefully chosen!

Are there subtle messages being presented here?



In the first scene (at the beginning of the video) we notice the double votive candles and that they are swinging in sync with each other – Two candles, two churches, in a movement that harmonizes with each other.

Now you might think that the movement of these candles is just a coincidence, like maybe they just lit them and they are still moving from that, after all, nobody is sitting there swinging them, right? But if you watch the video, at about 3:42 into the video, the candles have gradually slowed down and stopped swinging and the screen changes from Tony to pictures of the last 3 popes and Francis of Assisi, for about 16 seconds, and when it returns to Tony, the votive candles are once again swinging in unison. It seems that someone wants the candles to be moving!

This would be significant in itself, but it is even more revealing when you understand what is represented by those candles!

According to Webster's dictionary "votive" means

- 1. offered, given, dedicated, etc., in accordance with a vow: a votive offering.*
- 2. performed, undertaken, etc., in consequence of a vow.*
- 3. of the nature of or expressive of a wish or desire.*

Its Origin: 1585–95; < Latin vōtīvus, equivalent to vōt (um) a vow + -īvus -ive

According to Wikipedia

"Protestantism Although typically a Catholic practice, votive candles are used in High Church and Evangelical Catholic forms of Protestantism."

And according to John Hardon's Modern Catholic Dictionary – "VOTIVE CANDLES

Candles burned before some statue or shrine to give honor to Our Lord, Our Lady, or one of the saints.

The word "votive" goes back to the ancient custom of lighting candles in fulfillment of some private vow (votum)."

Are you seeing the significance of this "chosen" decoration?



You will also notice that at the beginning, you are only seeing the bottom corner of a picture – but at the end of the video, after the pope's message has been given, Tony is standing in front of a whole picture.

Does this mean that once their message has been given, it allows us to "get the big picture"?

Then there is the blurry figurine that is in Tony's picture with a matching counterpart "more in focus" in the pope's video.



Not to mention the chosen plant – the poinsettia! While considered by the ancient Aztecs to be symbols of purity, in today's language of flowers, poinsettias as the December 25th birth of Tammuz flower, symbolizes good cheer and success and are said to bring wishes of mirth and celebration.

Perhaps the most blatant symbolism used, is the symbol behind Tony when at the ministers convention.

Why, out of all the places in the world that a person could stand, was this particular spot in front of this particular symbol chosen to shoot a video that is to go around the world to all Christians?



I am used to seeing pictures of doves used in Christian churches, but a close look at this picture, with its hooked beak, reveals that this is not a dove representation.

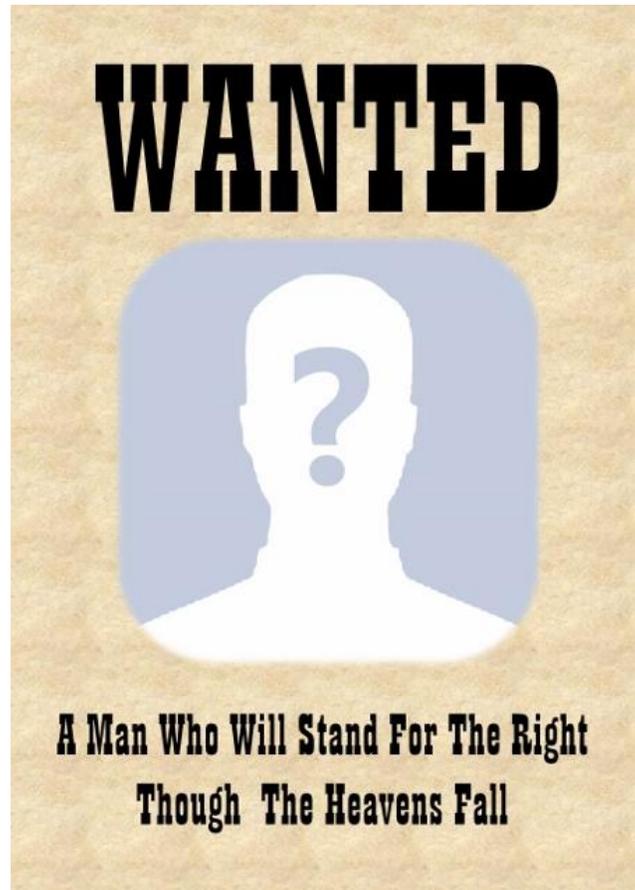
It portrays a mother eagle wrapping its wing around and gathering its baby eagle into its embrace (Like the children coming back to the mother?!)

It is the symbol for this church



This symbol immediately made me think of Matt. 24:28 "For wheresoever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together."

Was there a subtle message that the eagles are gathering over the dead carcass of Protestantism?



"If I profess with the loudest voice and clearest exposition every portion of the truth of God except precisely that little point which the world and the devil are at that moment attacking, I am not confessing Christ, however boldly I may be professing Christ. Where the battle rages, there the loyalty of the soldier is proved, and to be steady on all the battlefield besides is mere flight and disgrace if he flinches at that point."

-MARTIN LUTHER