

Is There
A Really
Difference?



What Catholics Believe

BACKGROUND

1. Statistics To Consider

- Over 1 _____ Roman Catholics in the world
- _____ of world population claim to be Roman Catholic
- There are _____ million Catholics in the U.S.

2. Things To Admire

- Willing to take a stand on _____ issues, i.e., pro-life
- Strong stand on _____
- Show care and concern for the _____ and _____
- Deep and serious reverence for _____

SIGNIFICANT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN CATHOLICISM AND BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY

1. We Agree On The Doctrine Of The _____
2. We Agree On The Doctrine Original _____
3. We Agree That Jesus Died To _____ For Our Sins
4. We Agree That Jesus _____ Rose From The Dead After 3 Days
5. We Agree That Salvation Is Available To _____

SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN CATHOLICISM AND BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY

1. They Differ In Their Beliefs Concerning The Importance Of The _____

- Catholic doctrine teaches that the Bible and church _____ are the Word of God
- Biblical Christianity teaches _____ (scripture alone)

All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work. – 2 Timothy 3:16-4:1

“adequate” - *artios* = _____

“equipped” – *exartizo* = to furnish _____

2. They Differ In Their Beliefs Concerning Salvation

- Catholicism teaches a _____ system of salvation

Seven Sacraments:

- 1) Baptism
- 2) Confirmation
- 3) Penance (Reconciliation)
- 4) Holy Eucharist
- 5) Marriage
- 6) Anointing of the Sick
- 7) Holy Orders

*Protestants view sacraments as a _____ of grace. Catholics view sacraments as a _____ of grace.

- The Bible teaches that salvation is by grace _____, through faith _____, in Christ _____

But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works, otherwise grace is no longer grace. - Romans 11:7

"Of Him all the prophets bear witness that through His name everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins." - Acts 10:43

In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace - Ephesians 1:7

REACHING YOUR CATHOLIC FRIENDS

1. Don't _____ Them
2. _____ Them
3. Emphasize A _____ Relationship With Jesus Christ