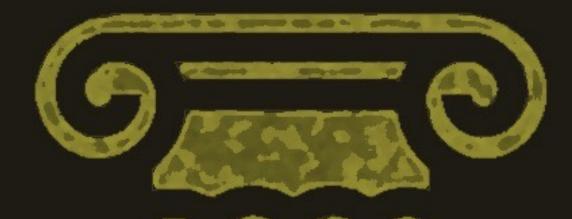


### Robert Bellarmine

"The greatest of all Protestant heresies is..."

ASSURANCE!





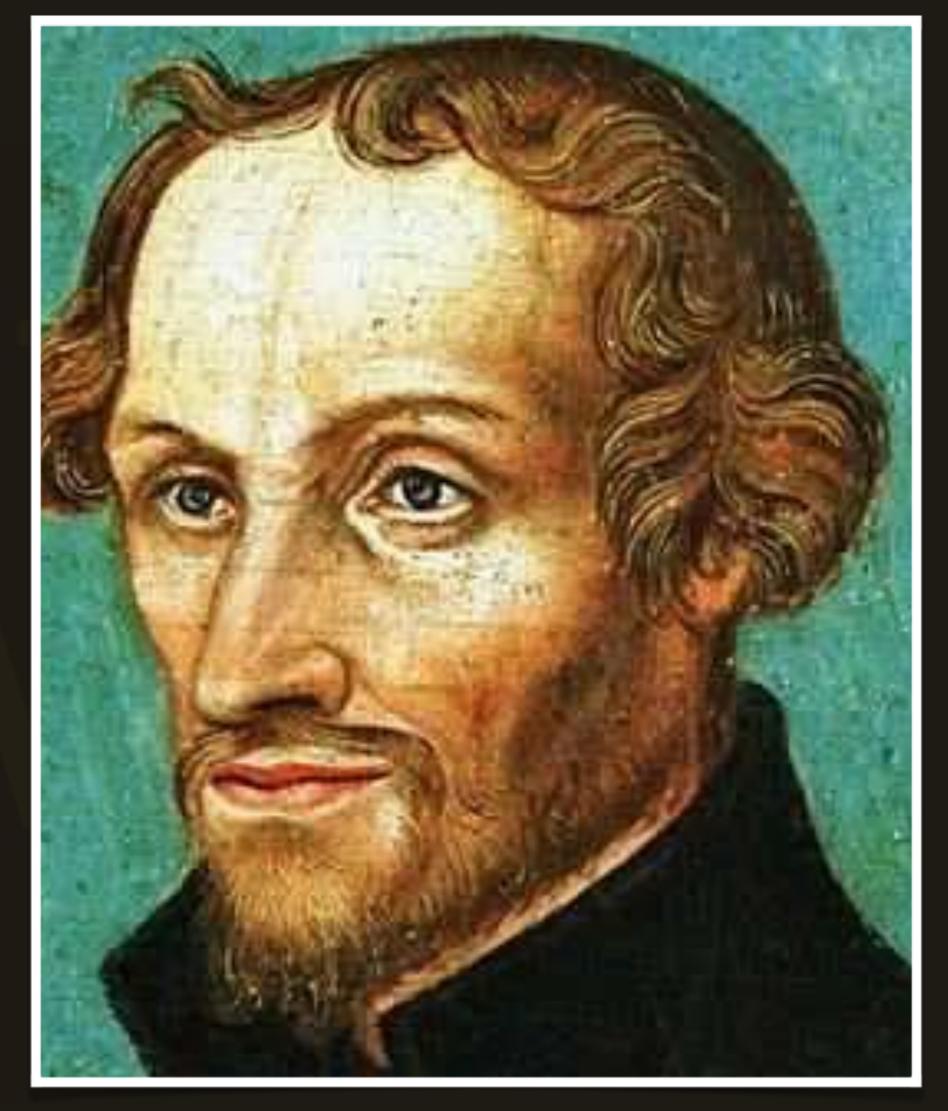
# Martin Luther's Commentary on Galatians

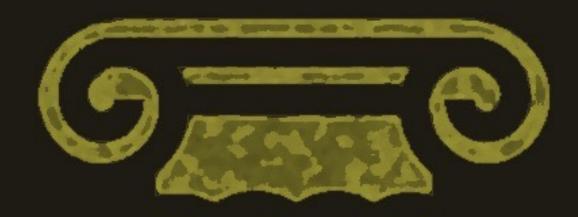
"This I say, to confute that pernicious doctrine of the sophisters and monks, which taught that no man can certainly know whether he be in the favor of God or no...For he that doubts of the will of God towards him, and has no assurance that he is in grace, cannot believe that he has remission of sins, that God cares for him, and that he can be saved."

# Philip Melancthon

Assurance is the discriminating line of Christianity from...

# HEATHENISM!

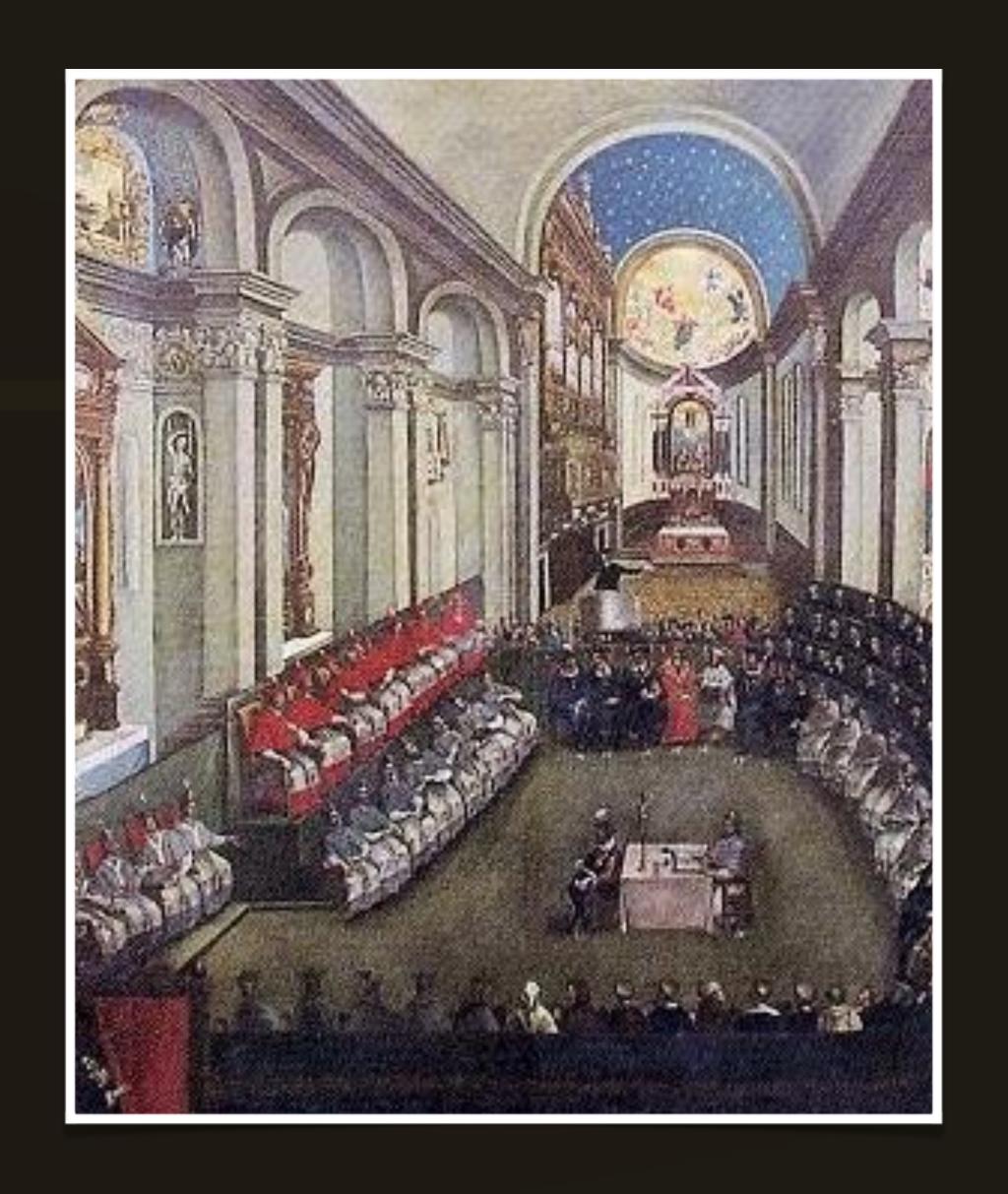




### Council of Trent

"CANON IV: If any one saith, that the sacraments of the New Law are not necessary unto salvation, but superfluous; and that, without them, or without the desire thereof, men obtain of God, through faith alone, the grace of justification...let him be..."

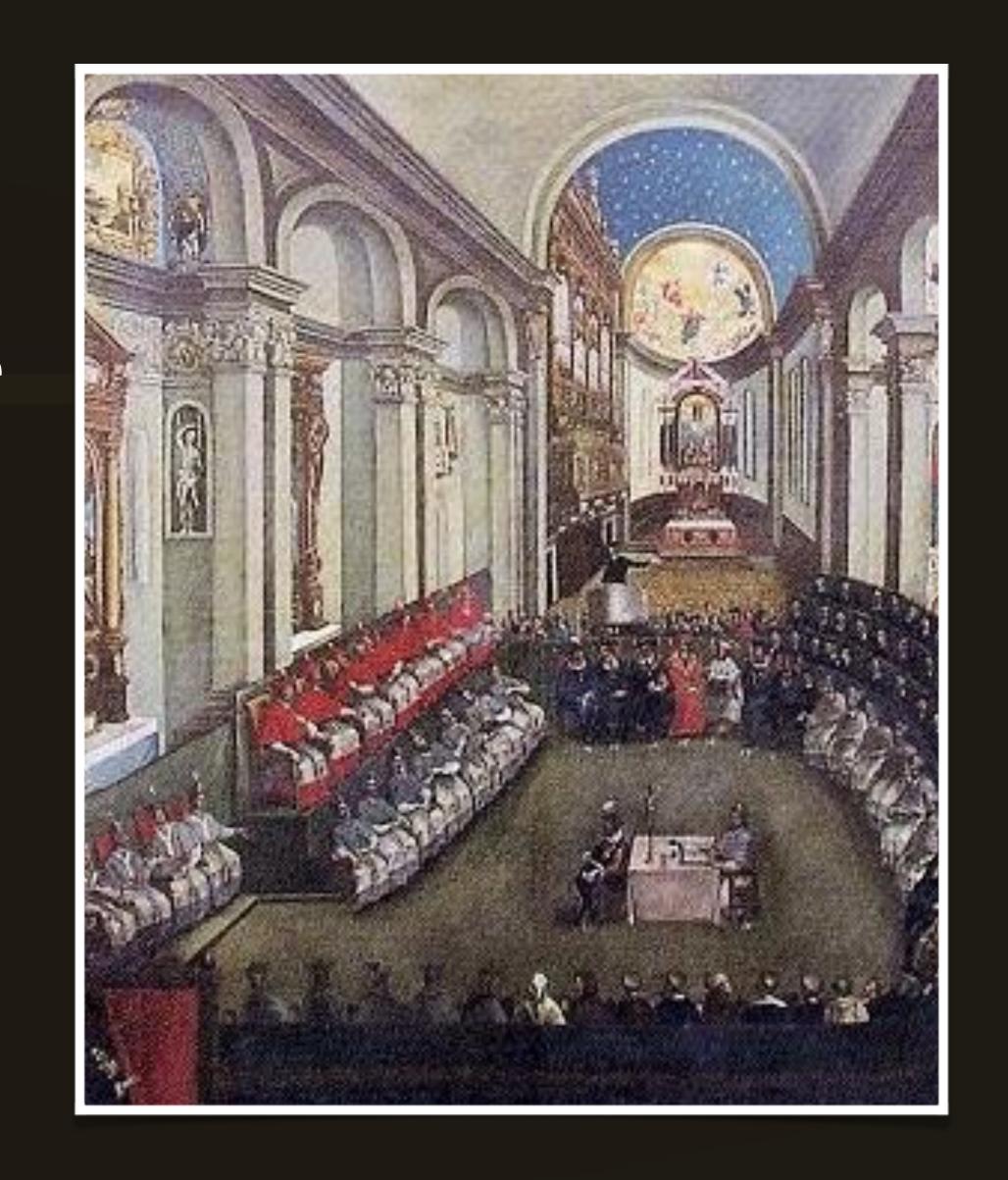
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# Council of Trent

CANON VI: If any one saith, that the sacraments of the New Law do not contain the grace which they signify...let him be...

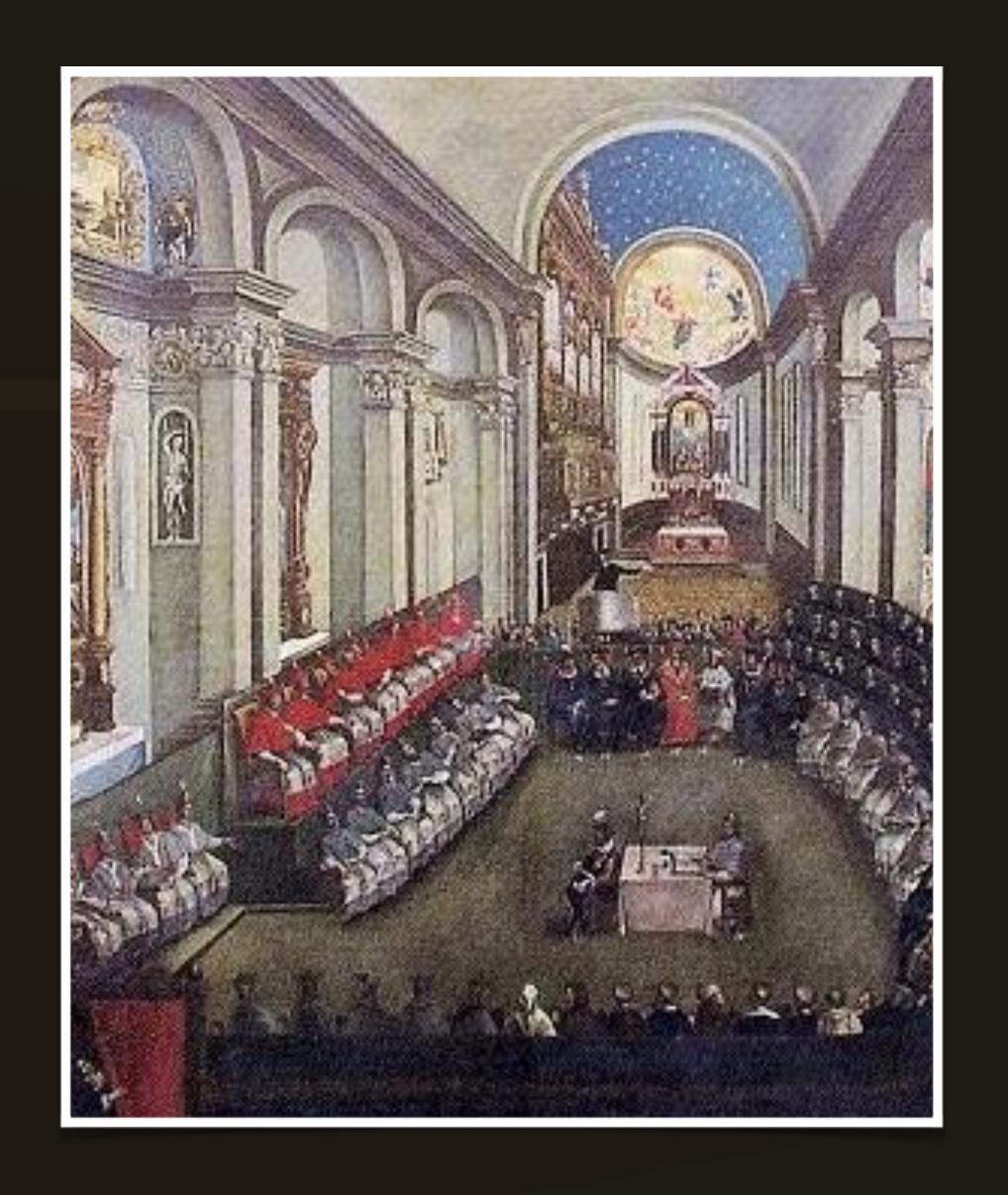
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### Council of Trent

CANON VIII: If any one saith, that by the said sacraments of the New Law grace is not conferred through the act performed, but that faith alone in the divine promise suffices for the obtaining of grace; let him be...

ANATHEMA!



"The sacrament of baptism is said to remit original sin, impart sanctifying grace, and unite the soul to Christ. The baptized person is justified not legally by the imputation of Christ's righteousness, but as he or she cooperates with the sacramentally infused grace and performs meritorious works... Assurance of final salvation is not possible, since the perpetration of a single mortal sin would separate the soul from Christ and incur the judgment of final damnation."

Exodus 34:6 And the Lord passed before [Moses] and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abounding in goodness and truth."



Psalm 86:15 "But You, O Lord, are a God full of compassion, and gracious, Long-suffering and abundant in mercy and truth."



# Psalm 103:8 The Lord is merciful and gracious, Slow to anger, and abounding in mercy.



# "Grace is the good pleasure of God that inclines Him to bestow benefits upon the undeserving."

-AWTOZER



Acts 17:25b "...He gives to all life, breath, and all things."

Acts 14:17 "...[God] did good, gave us rain from heaven and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness."











Romans 11:6 And if by grace, then it is no longer of works; otherwise grace is no longer grace. But if it is of works, it is no longer grace; otherwise work is no longer work.



"In the New Testament grace means God's love in action towards men who merited the opposite of love. Grace means God moving heaven and earth to save sinners who could not lift a finger to save themselves." —JI Packer



Ephesians 1:4-6 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, 5 having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, 6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved.



# Galatians 1:15-16a "But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, 16 to reveal His Son in me..."



Philippians 1:29 For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake...



Ephesians 1:7-8 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.



# Romans 3:24 Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

**Titus 3:7** That having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.



Ephesians 2:8-10 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast. 10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

Romans 4:4-5 Now to him who works, the wages are not counted as grace but as debt. 5 But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness.



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Colossians 1:5-6 because of the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel, 6 which has come to you, as it has also in all the world, and is bringing forth fruit, as it is also among you since the day you heard and knew the grace of God in truth.



Romans 8:31-34 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? 33 Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.



- Mistake #1: Professing Christians who abuse God's grace to justify sin.
- Mistake #2: Professing Christians who relegate grace to their conversion only.
- Mistake #3: Professing Christians that do not extend grace to others.

