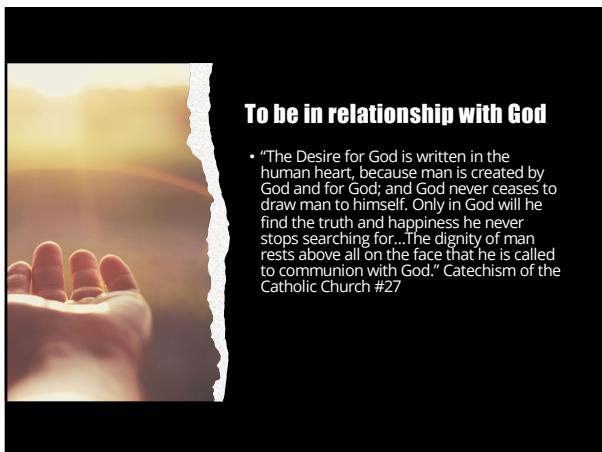




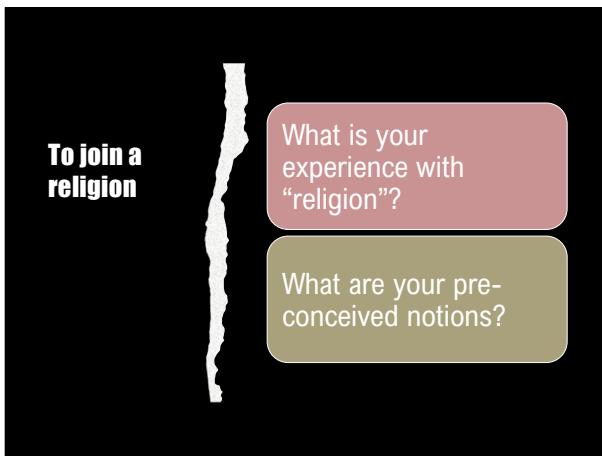
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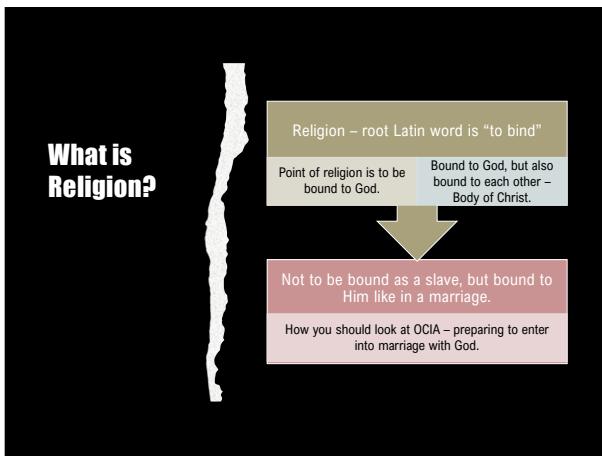
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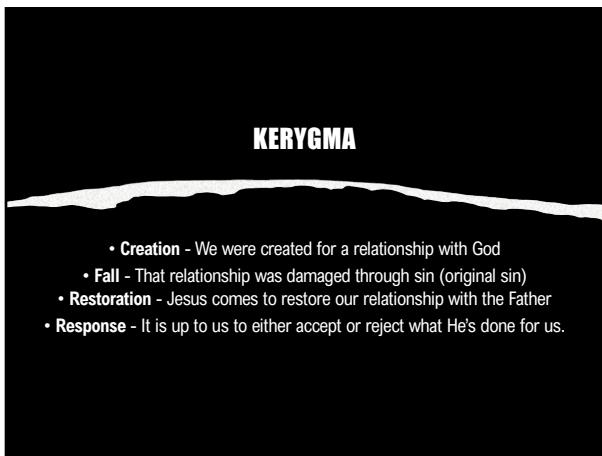
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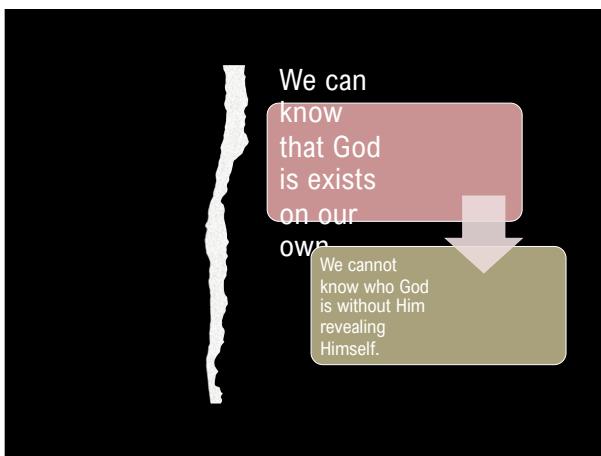
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Knowing God by Reason (Philosophically)

By our observation of the world, we can know that there is a God.

- Philosophers - especially the Ancient Greek philosophers - came up with logical arguments for the existence of a supreme creator.
- St. Paul would tell the Greeks in Athens that they were able to know God was real, but now he was here to tell them who he was.

By our observation of the human person, we can determine that we come from an infinite and perfect source - God!

• "If I find within myself a desire which no earthly thing can satisfy, the only logical conclusion is that I was made for another world." – CS Lewis



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Knowing God Through Revelation

- In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets;
- In these last days, he spoke to us through a son, whom he made heir of all things and through whom he created the universe. (Hebrews 1:1-2)
- Jesus is the fullness of God's revelation to man.



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God didn't need to reveal Himself to us. He chose to.

After the Fall of Man, God could have walked away. He didn't need to pursue the creatures who had so arrogantly rejected Him.

Exodus 3 – The importance of God revealing His name to us.

Instead, He chose to reveal EVEN MORE of Himself to us!

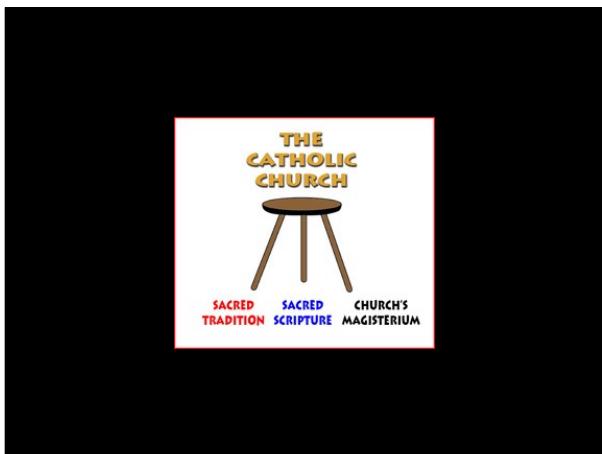
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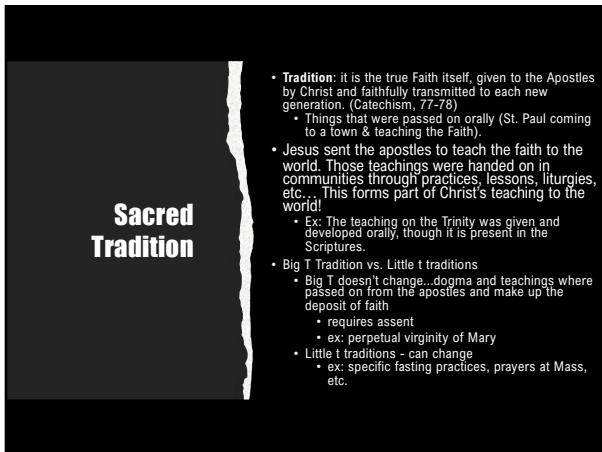
- 1) Scripture – Bible – Word of God
 - Fr. Kaup will teach on this next week.
- 2) Sacred Tradition

- The Magisterium (the leaders of the Church) are the safeguard and interpreter of these fonts.

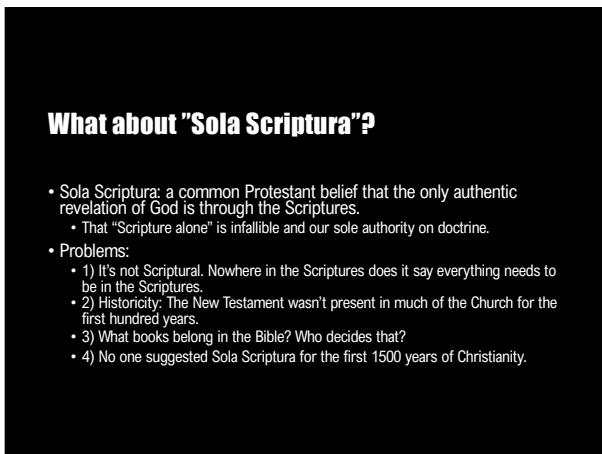
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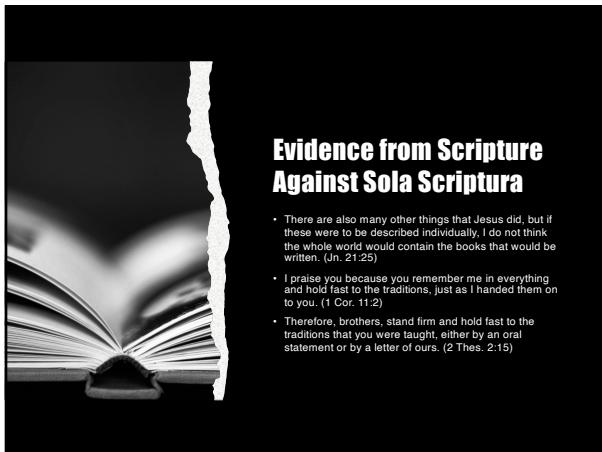
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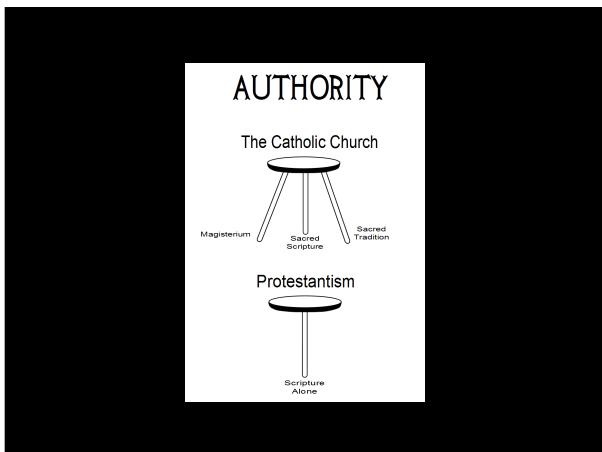
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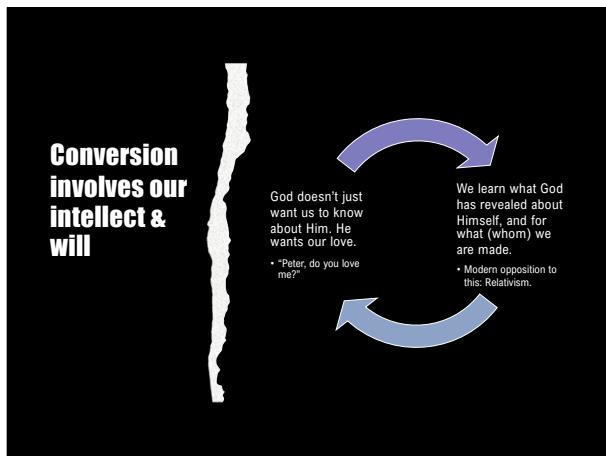
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