

The Authority of the Word of God is our only sure foundation

A simple comparison of the doctrines of the Roman Catholic Church with the revealed truth of the word of God.

No.	Teachings of the Catholic Church	Revelation of the Word of God
1	Salvation by grace + the Sacraments + Works in obedience to the Church and the keeping the Sacraments (Confirmation, Mass, Penance and the others)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away. - Isaiah 64:6 ▪ For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. - Ephesians 2:8-9 ▪ And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then it is no more grace: otherwise work is no more work. - Romans 11:6 ▪ For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith. - Romans 1:17 ▪ For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. - Romans 10:3
2	Only through the Catholic Church is Salvation and the Interpretation of the Scriptures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; - 1 Timothy 2:5 ▪ Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. - John 14:6 ▪ Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. - John 16:13
3	Power in the Sacraments to convey grace because of Participation (For Salvation and for living this life)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God - John 3:16-18 ▪ But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; - Titus 3:4-5 ▪ For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. - Ephesians 2:8-10
4	Church Traditions in addition to the Scriptures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. - 2 Timothy 3:16-17 ▪ But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. - Matthew 15:9 ▪ Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. - Colossians 2:8 ▪ Not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth. - Titus 1:14
5	Praying to Mary and the Saints	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; - 1 Timothy 2:5
6	Purgatory <i>* Emphasis mine</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. - Luke 16:22-23 ▪ We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. - 2 Corinthians 5:8
7	Worship of Relics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Thou shalt have no other gods before me. 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. - Exodus 20:3-4

8	Infallibility of the Pope and adding to the Scriptures <i>* Emphasis mine</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed. - Galatians 1:8-9 ▪ Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. - Jude 1:3 ▪ For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: - Revelation 22:18
9	Peter as the Foundation of the Church (“The first Pope”). Pope is the head of the Church <i>* Emphasis mine</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever. - Matthew 8:14 [Peter was a Jew who was married] ▪ And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock [Jesus Christ] I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. - Matthew 16:18 ▪ For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. - 1 Corinthians 3:11
10	Confession to the Priests. Confessional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. - Hebrews 4:14-16
11	Infant Baptism and Last Rites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. - John 3:3,6
12	Transubstantiation. Substance vs Accidents. <i>* Emphasis mine</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; - Hebrews 10:11-12 ▪ When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost. - John 19:30 ▪ And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you. - Luke 22:19-20 ▪ For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come. - 1 Corinthians 11:26
13	The Assumption of Mary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: - Hebrews 9:27
14	Mary as Co-Redemptrix	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; - 1 Timothy 2:5
15	The Immaculate Mother of God, Queen of Heaven <i>* Emphasis mine</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me. - Psalm 51:5 ▪ And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord, And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. - Luke 1:46-47 ▪ For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; - Romans 3:23 ▪ Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: - Romans 5:12 ▪ As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one: - Romans 3:10
16	The ever-Virgin Mary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas? And his sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this man all these things? - Matthew 13:55-56
17	Baptismal Regeneration or Salvation by Baptism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: - John 1:12 ▪ For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. - Romans 10:13 ▪ For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. - Ephesians 2:8-9 ▪ And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then it is no more grace: otherwise work is no more work. - Romans 11:6