

Church History Literacy

Martin Luther – Part 2

Lesson 53

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Don't put new
wine into old
wineskins



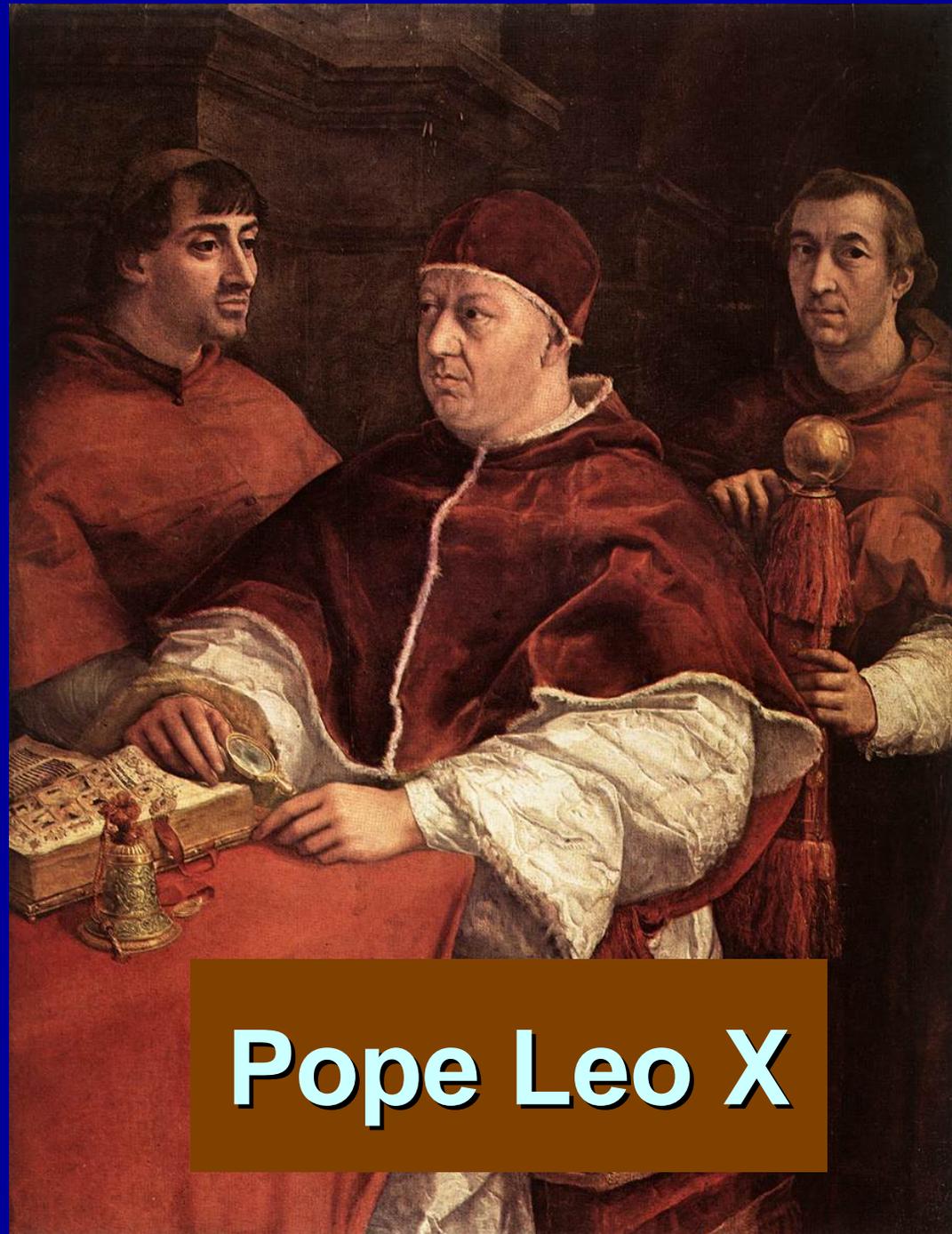
When last we
left our story ...

OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	



November 1
was All
Saints Day



Pope Leo X

“Luther is a drunken German. He will feel different when he is sober.”



Pope Leo X

“Friar Martin is a brilliant chap. The whole row is due to the envy of the monks”



Pope Leo X



Frederick the
Wise refused to
turn Luther over

The Pope sends Cardinal Cajetan to “fix” things



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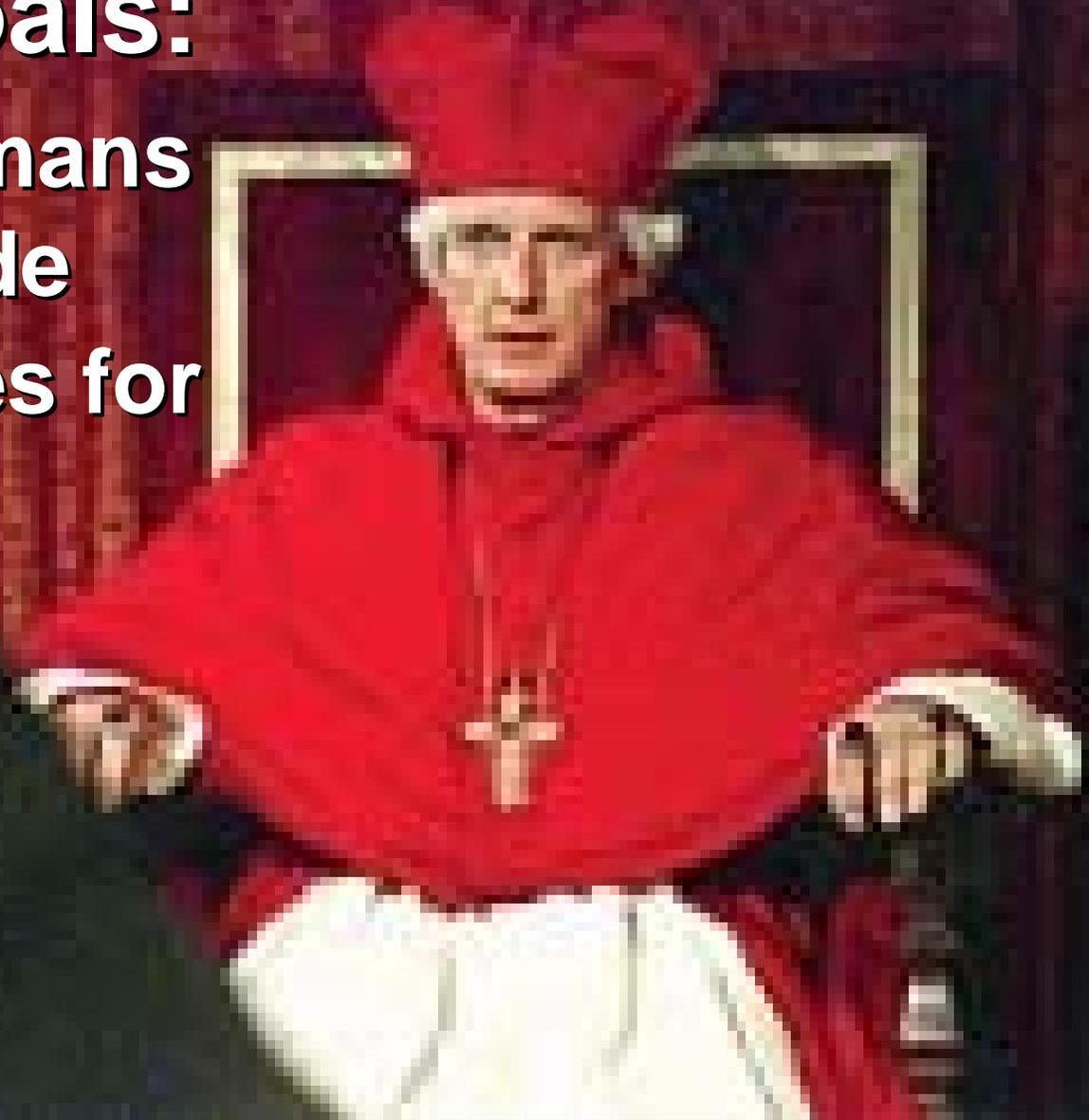
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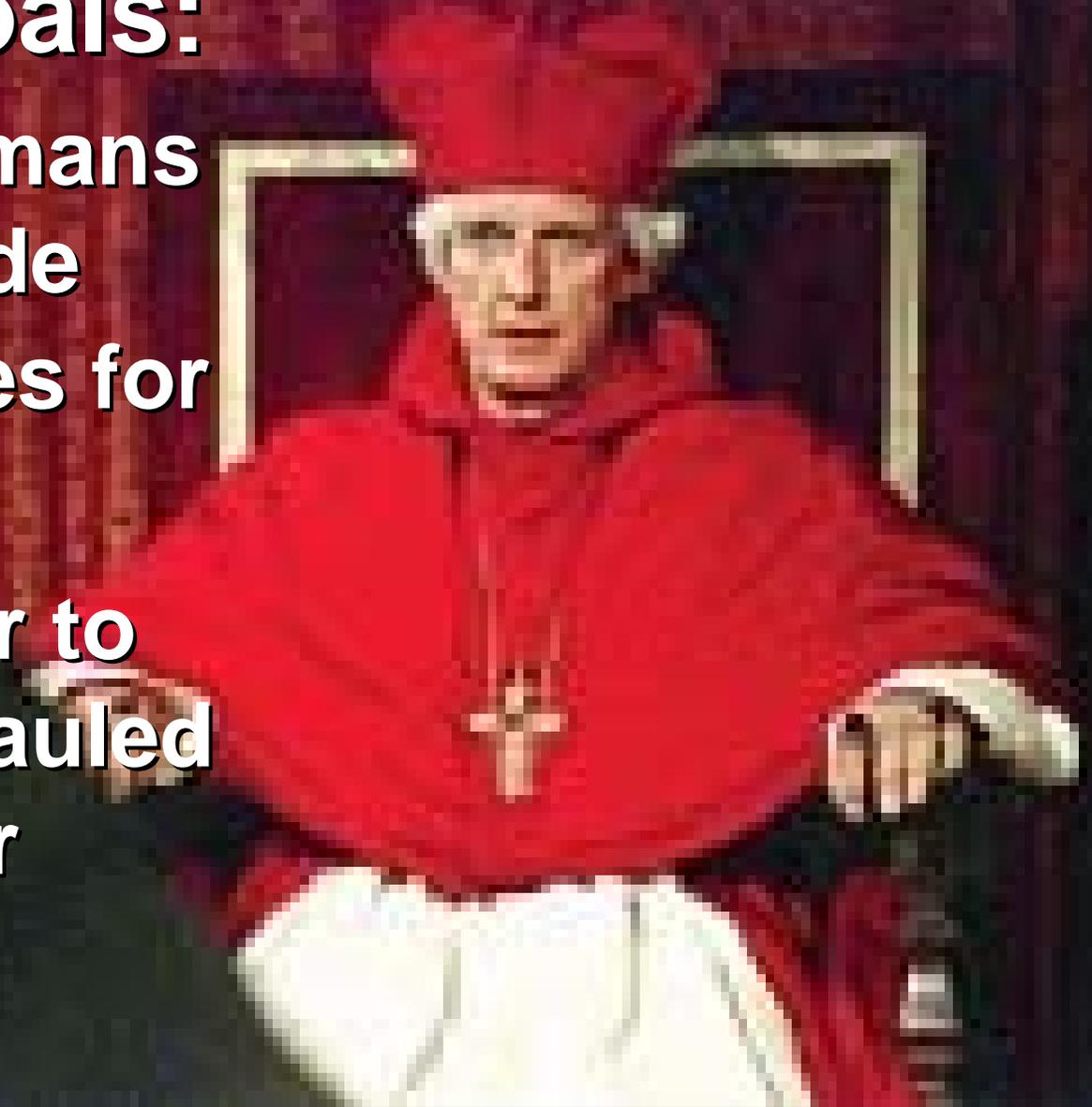
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- Get Luther to recant or hauled to Rome for heresy



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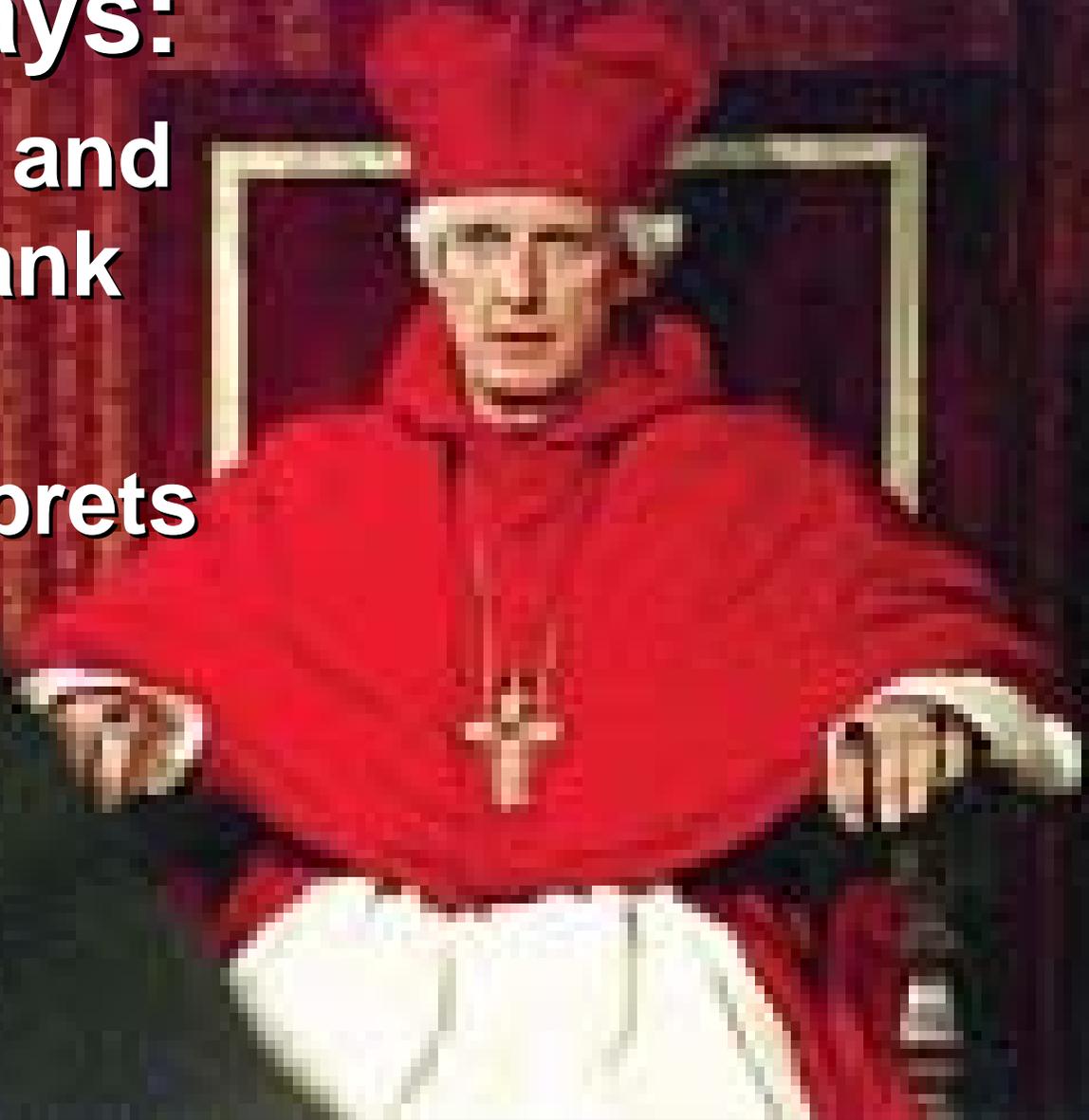
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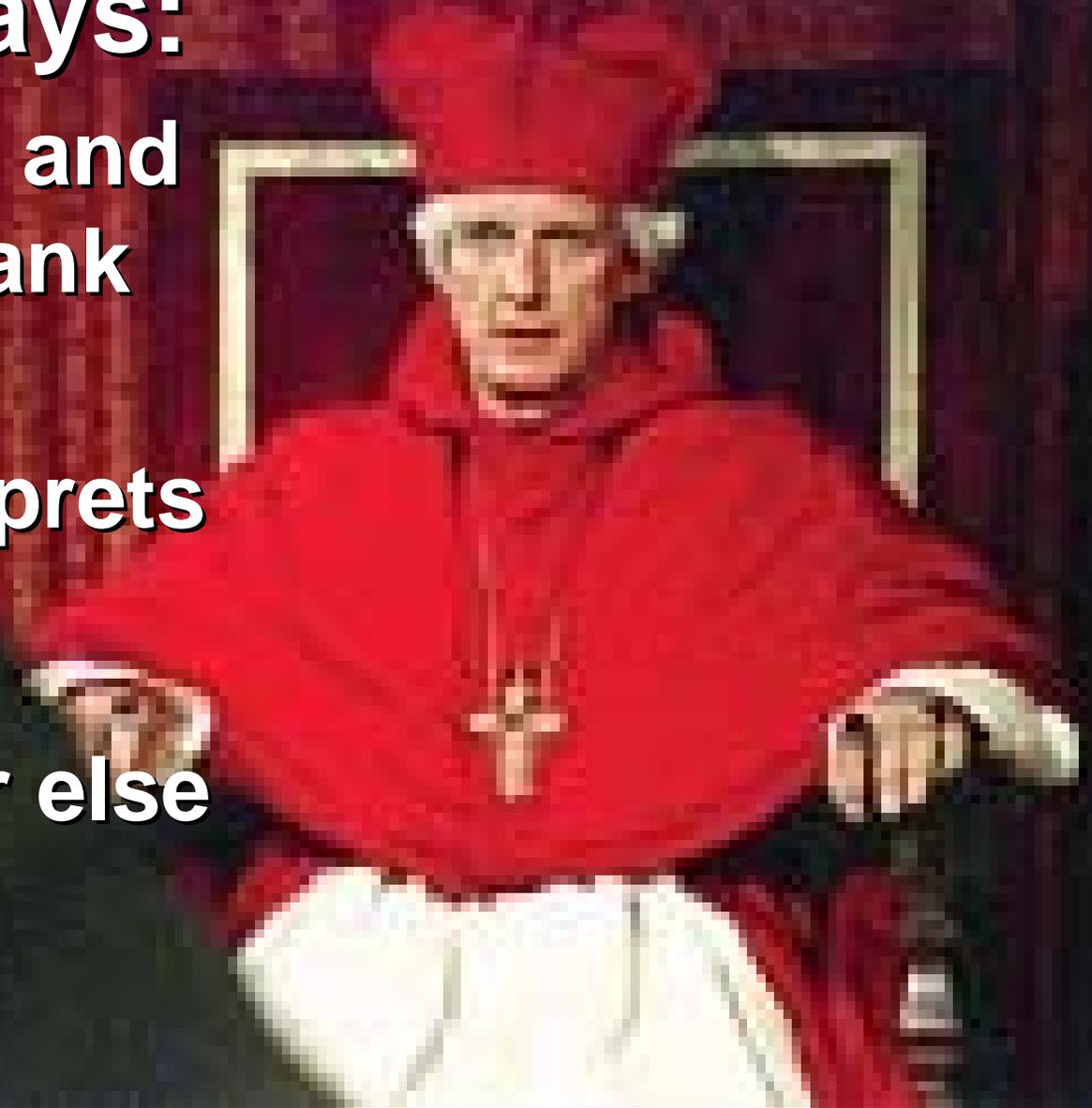
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- *Revoco* or else





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Luther and
Melanchthon
debate John Eck



Martin is of middle height, emaciated from care and study, so that you can almost count his bones through his skin, He is in the vigor of manhood and has a clear, penetrating voice. He is learned and has the Scripture at his fingers' ends. He knows Greek and Hebrew sufficiently to judge of the interpretations...He is affable and friendly, in no sense dour or arrogant. He is equal to anything. In company he is vivacious, jocose, always cheerful and gay



no matter how hard his adversaries press him. Everyone chides him for the fault of being a little too insolent in his reproaches and more caustic than is prudent for an innovator in religion or becoming to a theologian... Eck is a heavy, square-set fellow with a full German voice supported by a hefty chest. He would make a tragedian [actor] or town crier, but his voice is rather rough than clear. His eyes and mouth and his whole face remind one more of a butcher than a theologian



“The Papacy is vital to a united Christendom!”



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“Christians can stay united under different heads just as different nations dwell in peace.”



“The nations war, but there is one faith, one Lord Jesus, and one pontiff as vicar.”



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“The Vicar part is not biblical!”



“You are guilty of the errors of Wycliff and the errors of Hus!”



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“My teachings are biblical regardless of who believes them!”



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18 Days later, the Duke
declared the debate,
“Over!”



Luther goes international!
Then in 1520, the heat goes
up... Way up...

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This is a good sign Luther was preaching the same message Paul did!

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“The first, highest, and most precious of all good works is faith in Christ!”
Consider John 6:28-29



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The best human deeds, if done apart from faith, have no merit before God and “amount to nothing!”



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Jesus said: "I always do the things that please God" (Jn 8:29)

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The Key: Do ***everything*** out of faith in Christ and everything not sinful is holy

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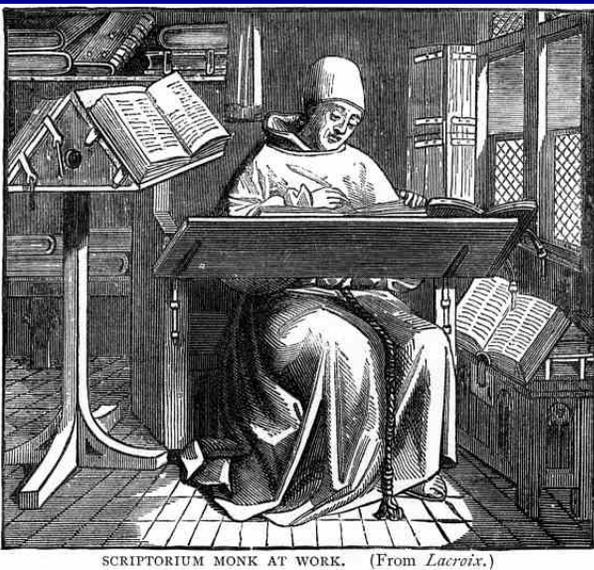
1: Do not worship any other gods

Or, "Since I alone am God, you must place all your confidence, trust and faith in me alone and in no one else."



This turned
contemporary
thinking on its
head

Now the
spiritual elite
and the
common
man were
on equal
footing
before God



Tract 2:
The
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As developed and
in practice, the
papacy is an
institution of man
rather than
scripture

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Rome?

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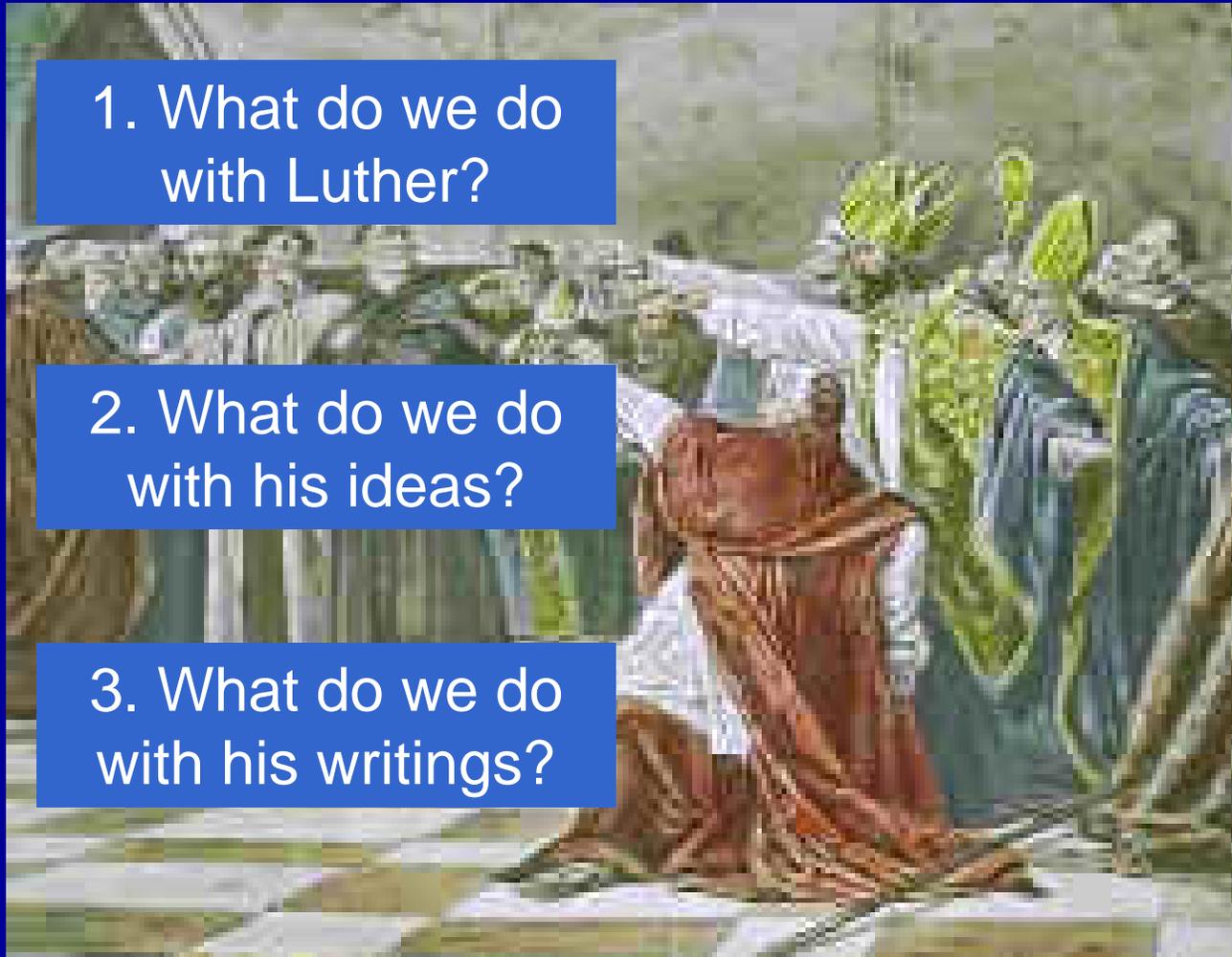
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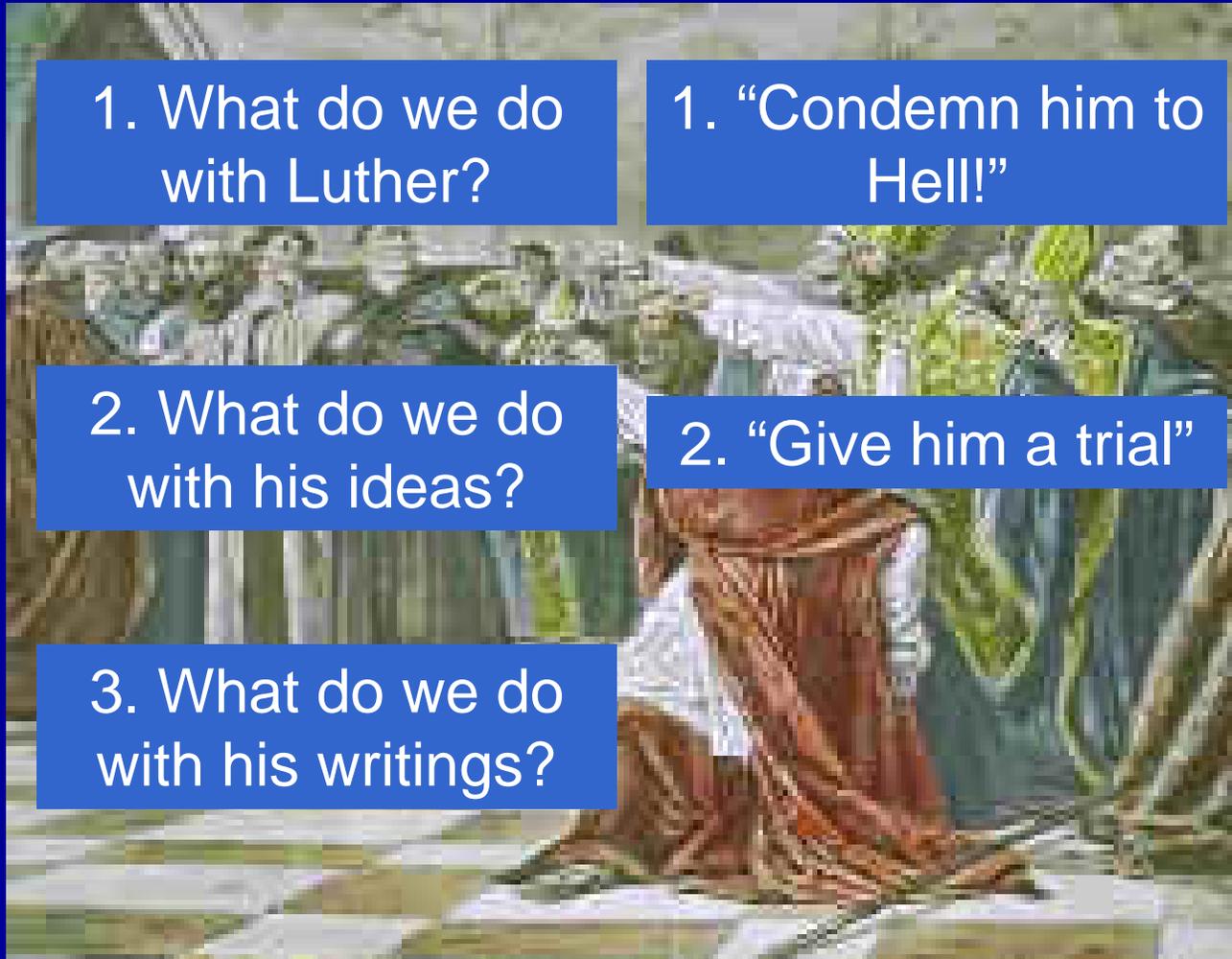
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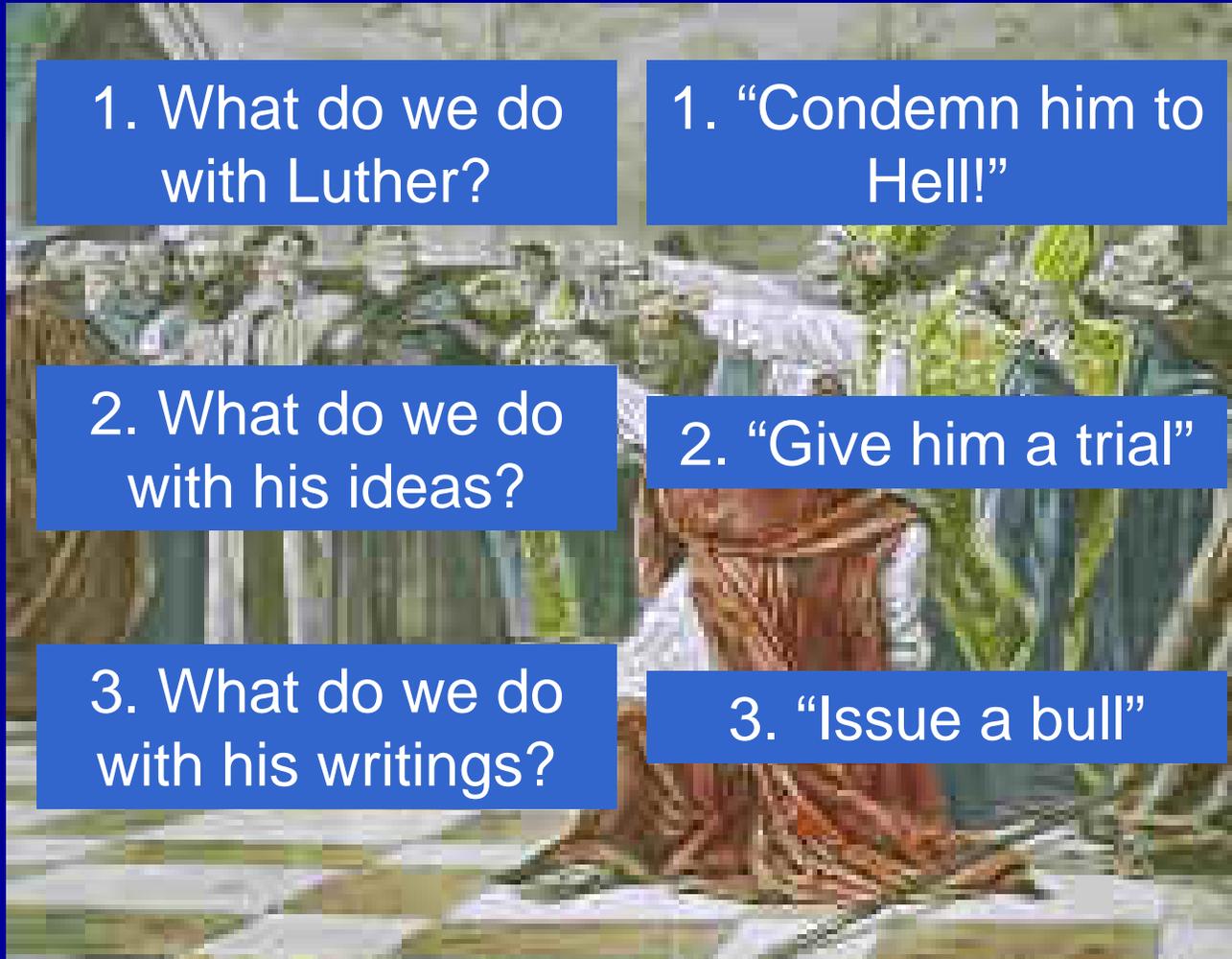
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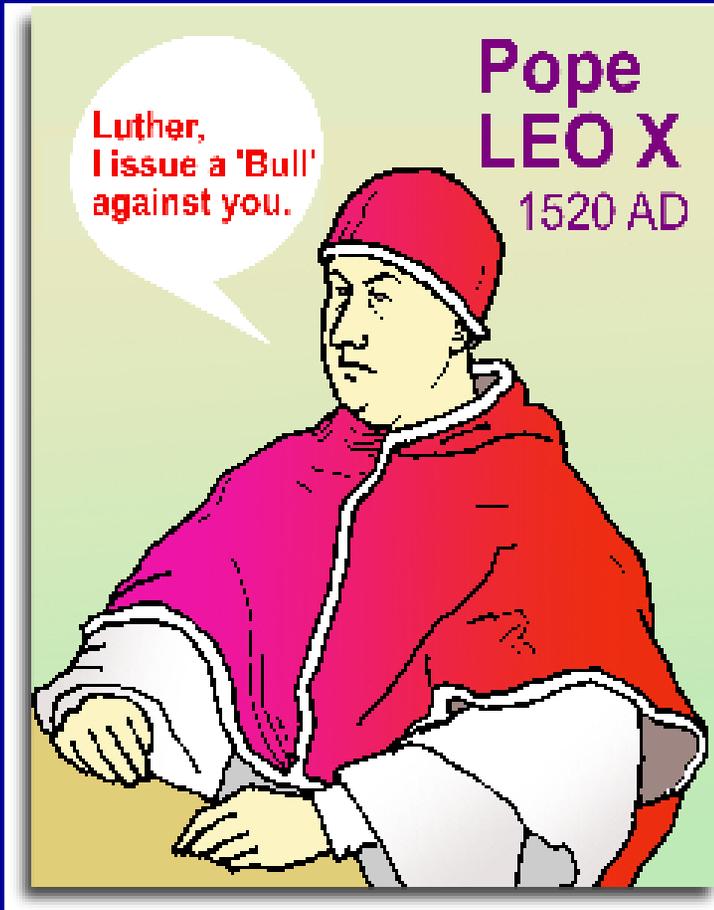
3. "Issue a bull"

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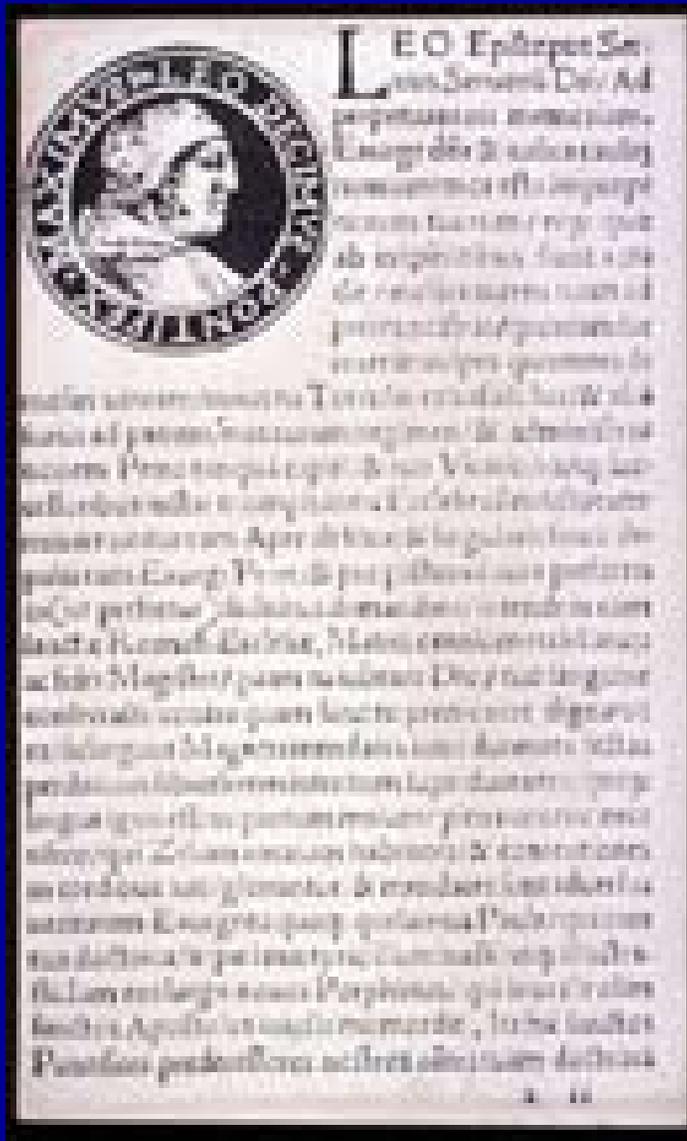


Leo issues a bull, June 15, 1520

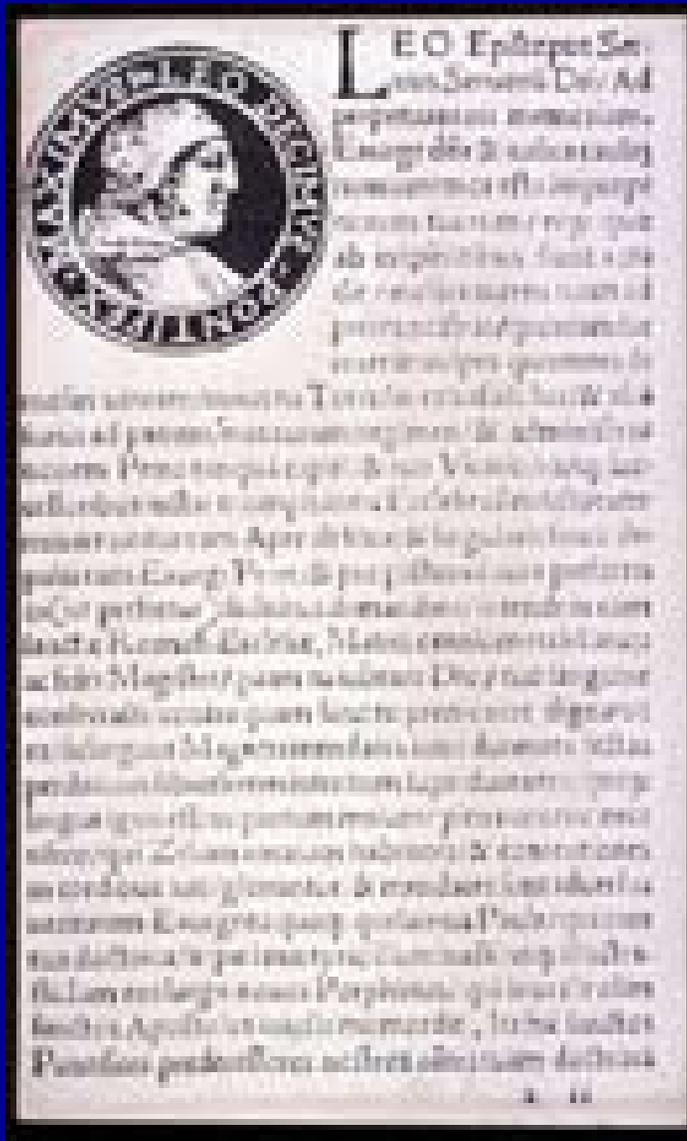


Actual Papal Bull June 15, 1520

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- 42 of Luther's writings are condemned and to be burned

Meanwhile, Luther is writing
his most radical piece yet:

Tract 3:
Address to
the
German
Nobility

Points for Home

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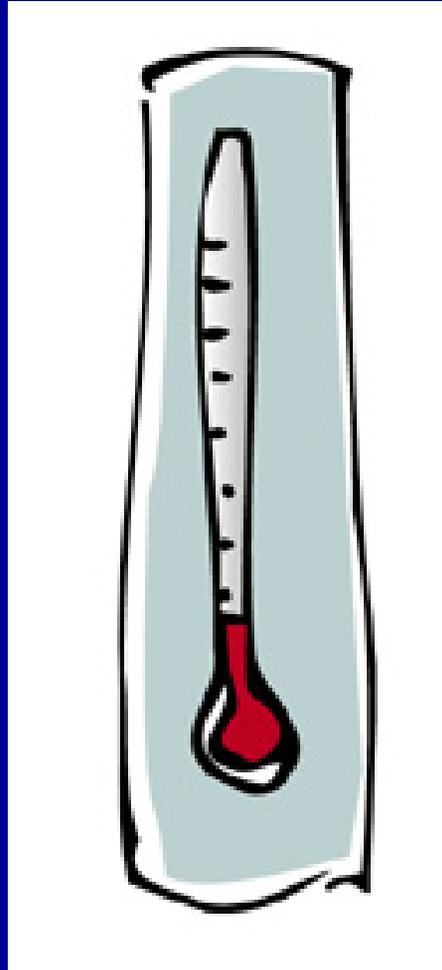
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- “For it is by grace you have been saved through faith -- and this is not of yourselves, it is the gift of God -- not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” (Eph. 2:8-10)

Points for Home

Good works
are like a
thermometer



Without good
works we
know
something is
wrong with our
faith!

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- There is no mundane and ordinary before God. **“Live”** by faith (Rom. 1:17)