#### **Church History Literacy**

#### Martin Luther – Part 3

Lesson 54

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#### Previously on Luther 2





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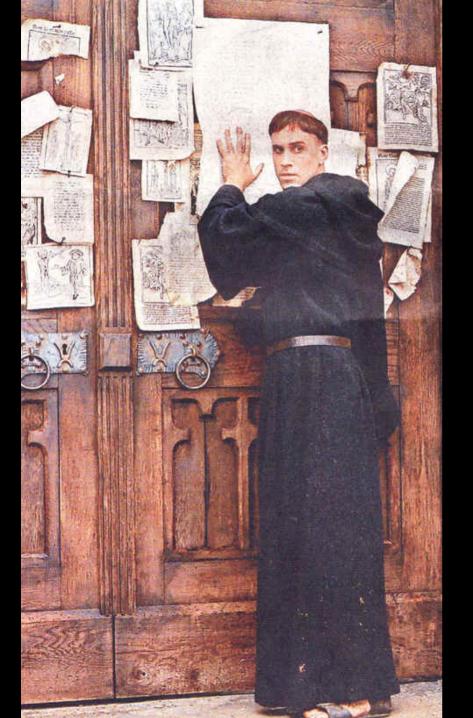


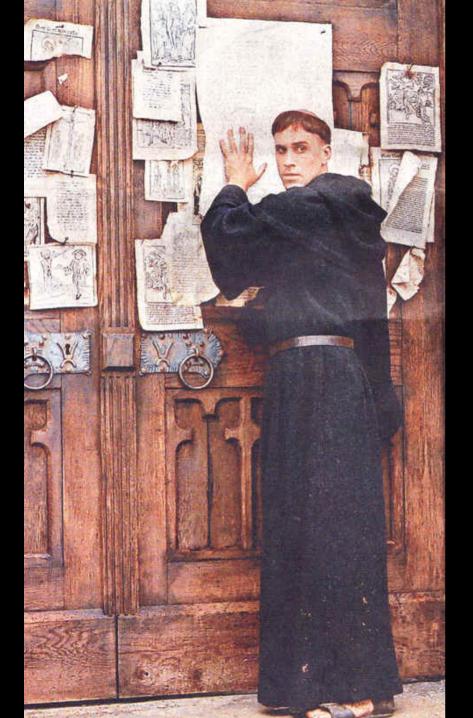
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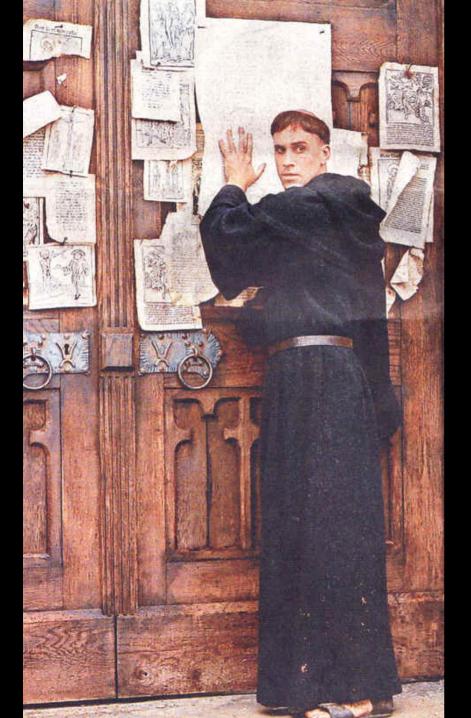
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"Jesus Christ, our God and Lord, died for our sins and was raised again for our justification... it is clear and certain that this faith alone justifies us"

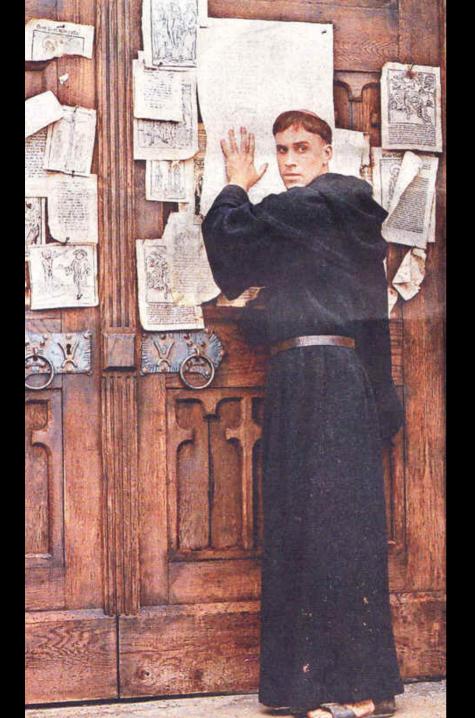




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### The Pope sends Cardinal Cajetan to "fix" things







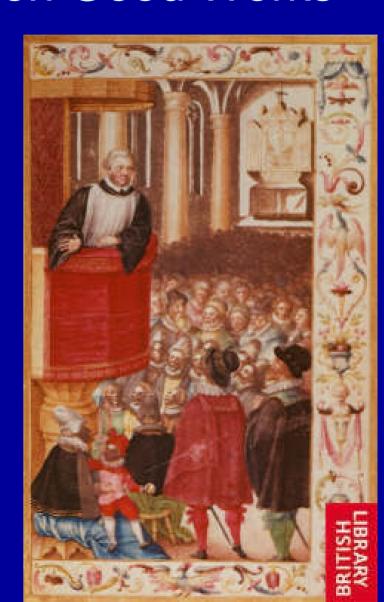
# Frederick the wise still refused to turn Luther over



## Luther and Melancthon debate John Eck

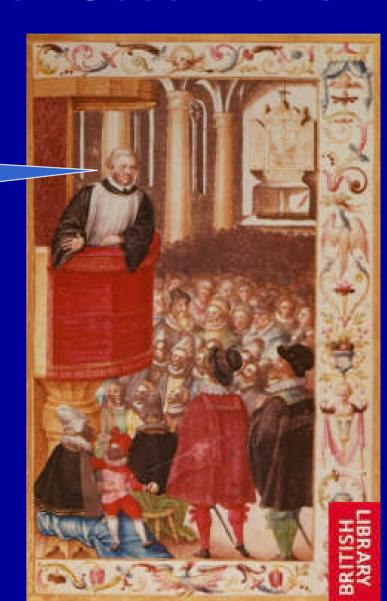
## Luther goes international! Then in 1520, the heat goes up... Way up...

#### Tract One: The Sermon on Good Works



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



#### Categories of Deeds

#### Good Deeds

Mundane Deeds

### Sinful Deeds

- 1. Fasting
- 2. Praying
- 3. Monasticism

- 1. Eating
- 2. Sleeping
- 3. Working

- 1. Gluttony
- 2. Slothfulness
- 3. Cheating

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





Tract 2:
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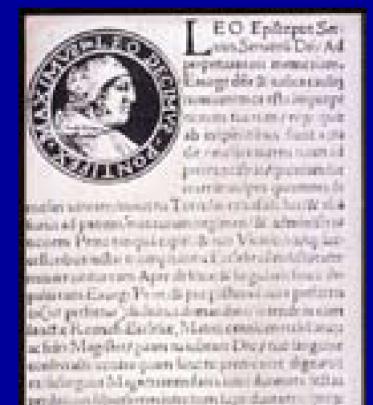


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- 42 of Luther's writings are condemned and to be burned

### Meanwhile, Luther is writing his most radical piece yet:

Tract 3:
Address to
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#### For 1,000 Years in Europe:

#### **CHURCH**

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Community Life

## The CHURCH's Keys: Scripture, literacy and the Eucharist



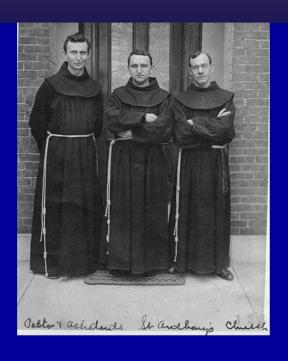
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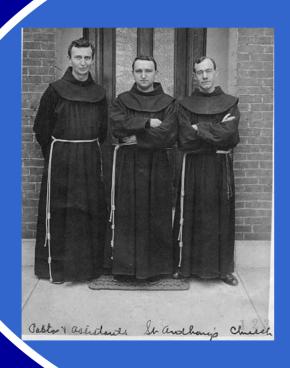


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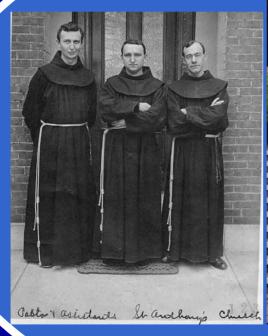


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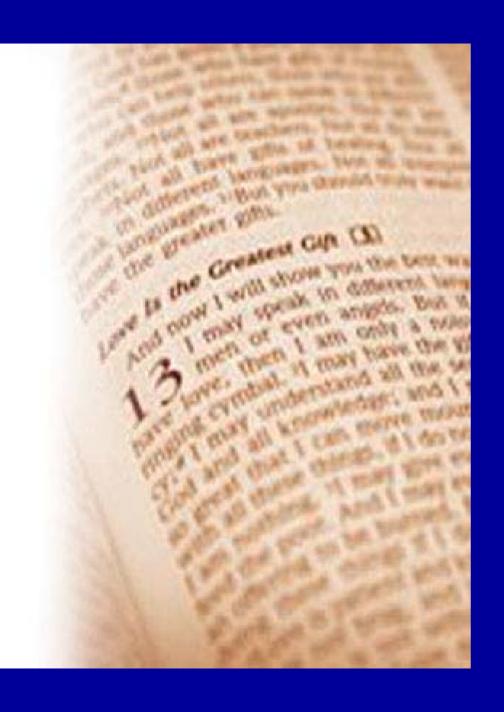




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As priests, each individual can interpret Scripture

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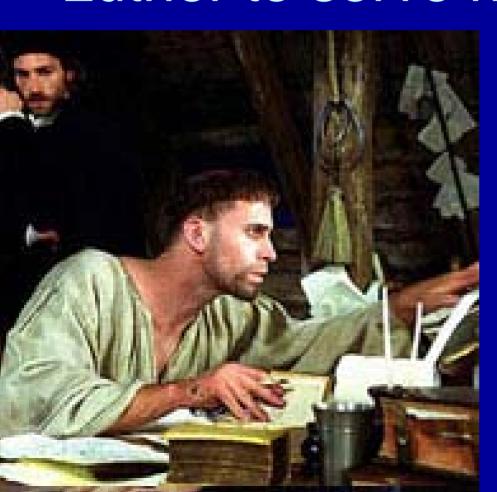
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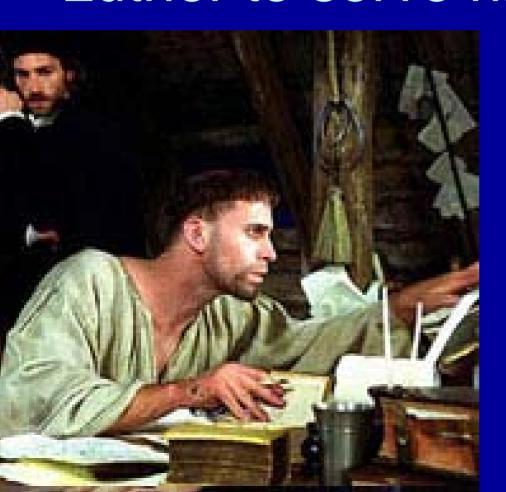
## Luther wanted to strip the church of its governing powers and wealth so it would better focus on its spiritual functions



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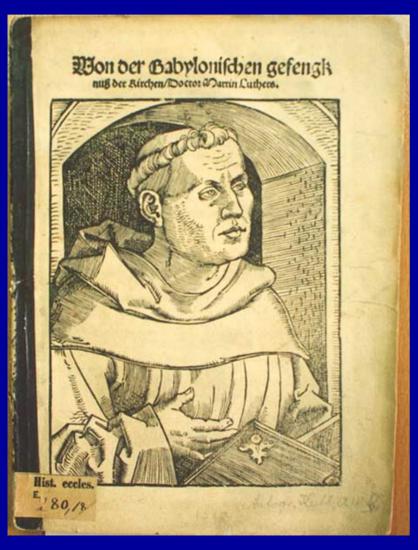


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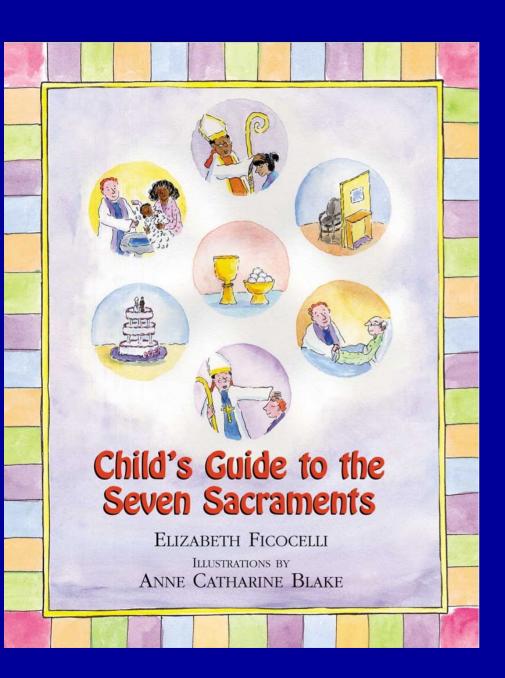


Meanwhile Luther keeps writing...

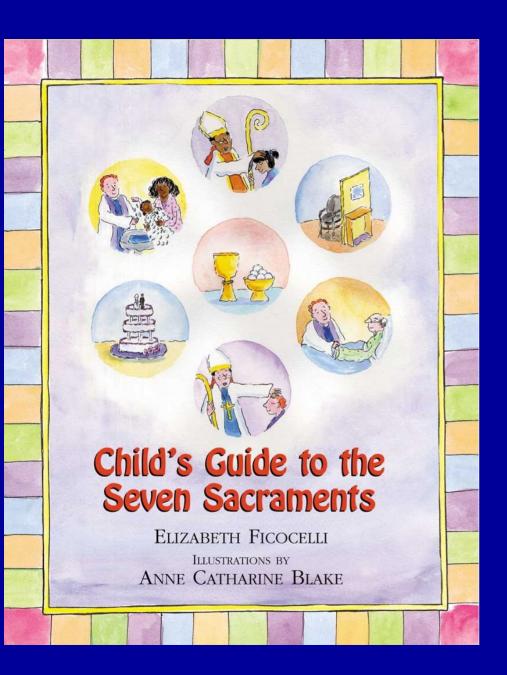
### Luther's next writing does to the Church what his last one did to society:



Tract 4:
The
Babylonian
Captivity of
the Church

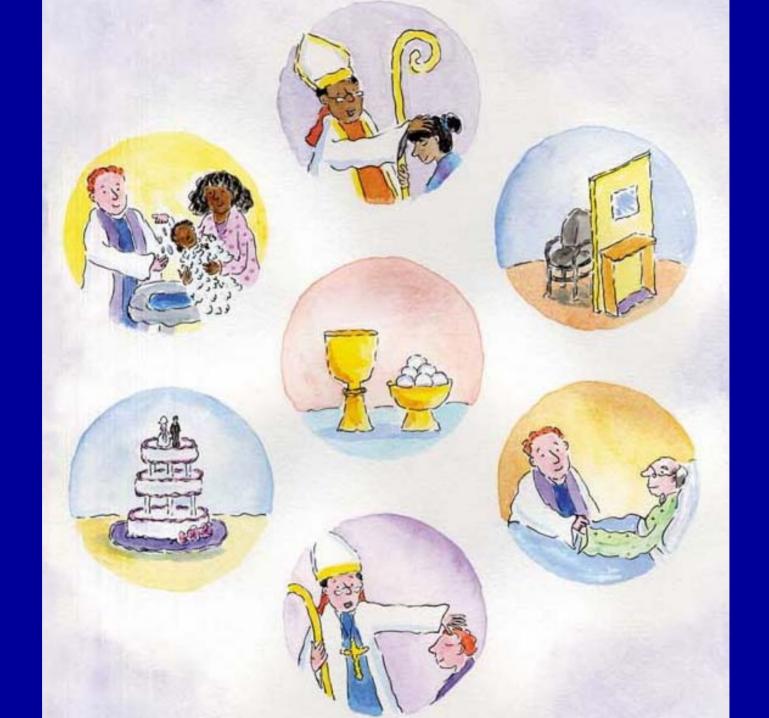


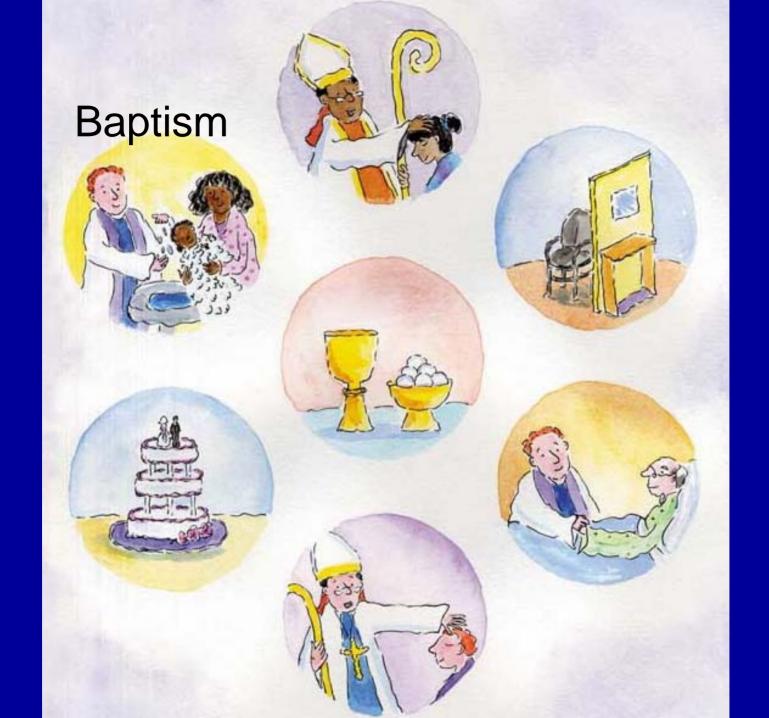
# The Church recognized seven "Sacraments"

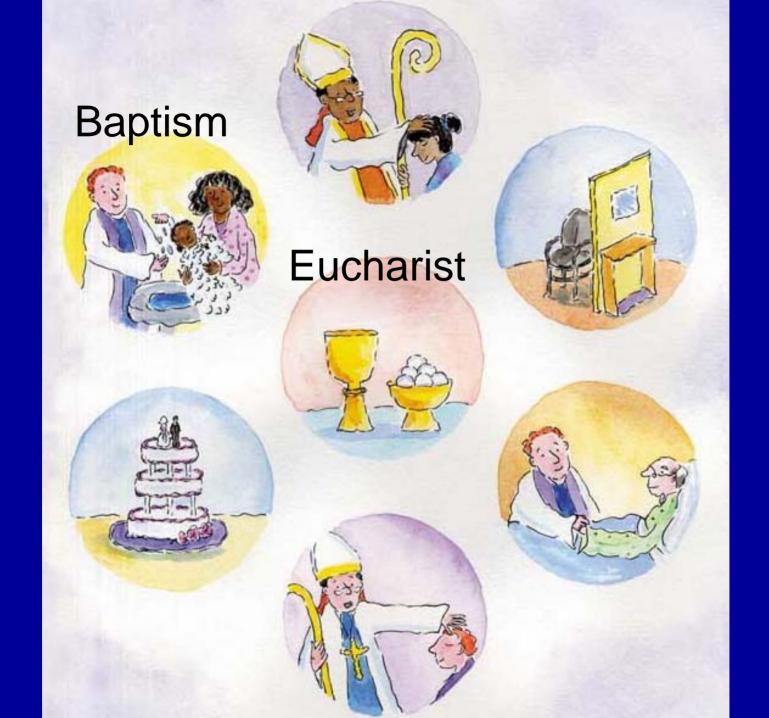


These are physical external ways that God's grace is dispensed to people

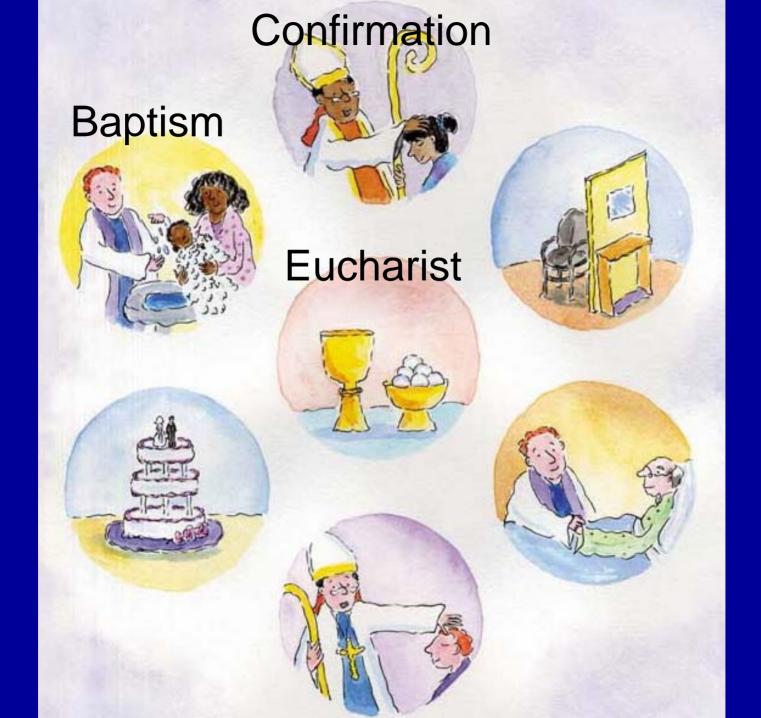
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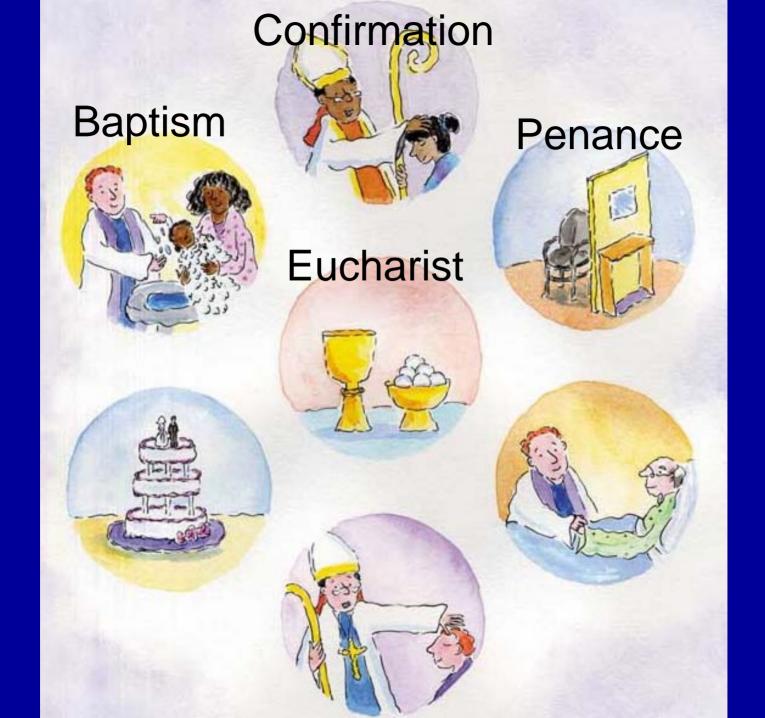




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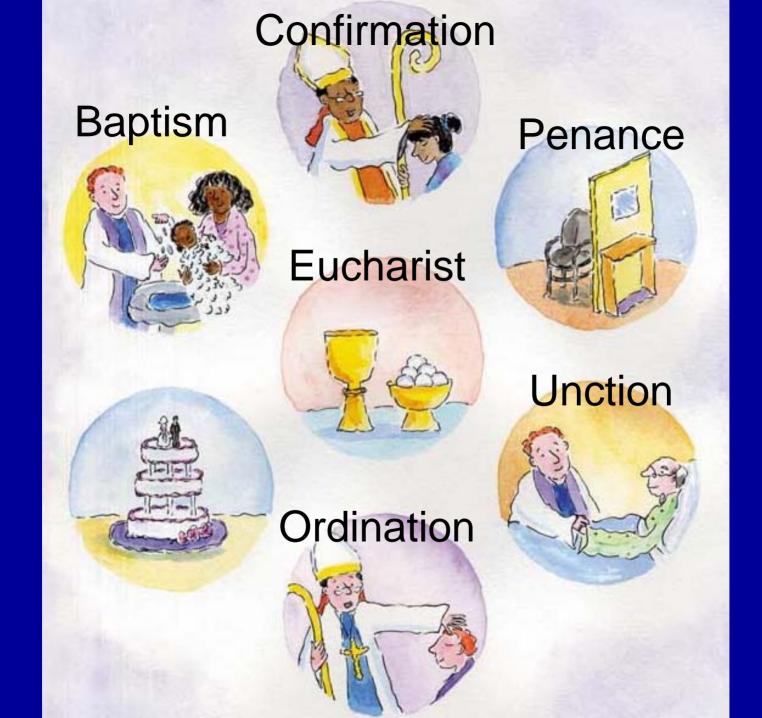
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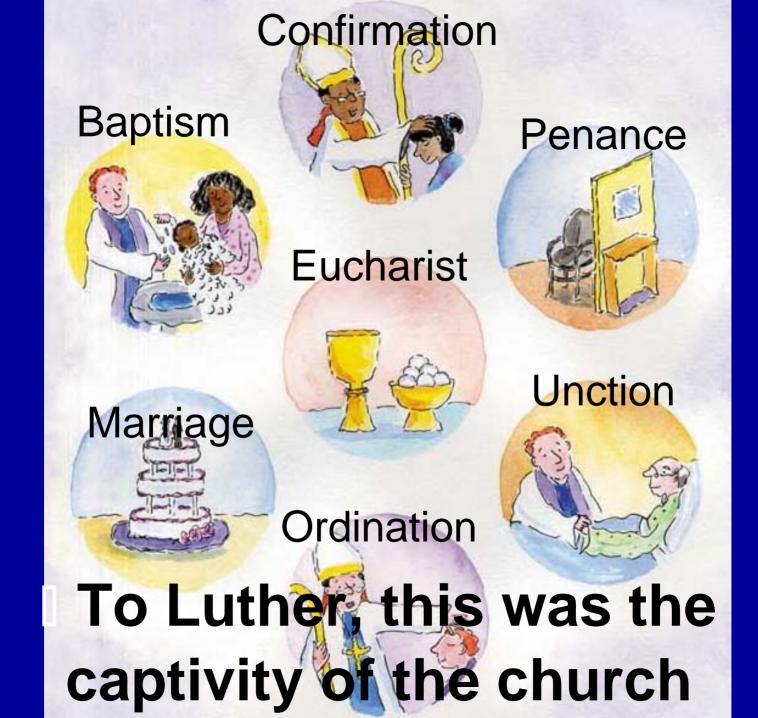
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Baptism was still a sacrament where sins were forgiven by the Word of God through faith



The Eucharist was a sacrament where the grace of God is given through wine and bread based on the faith of the believer, not the words of the minister

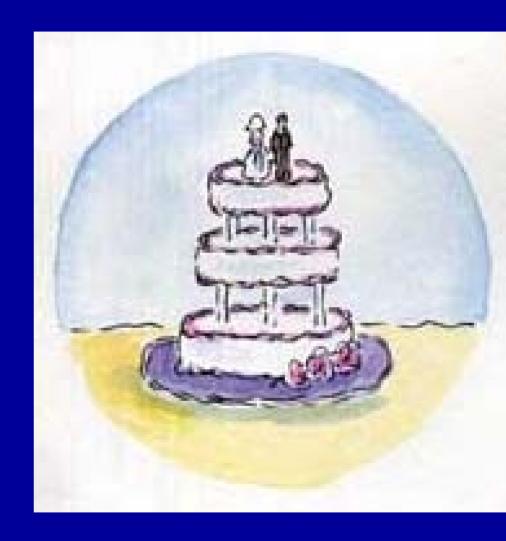
Luther did not consider "penance" [confession to a priest] a sacrament



Luther viewed confirmation a good thing, but not one imparting salvation



"Marriage was part of the stranglehold of the church. It did not impart grace"



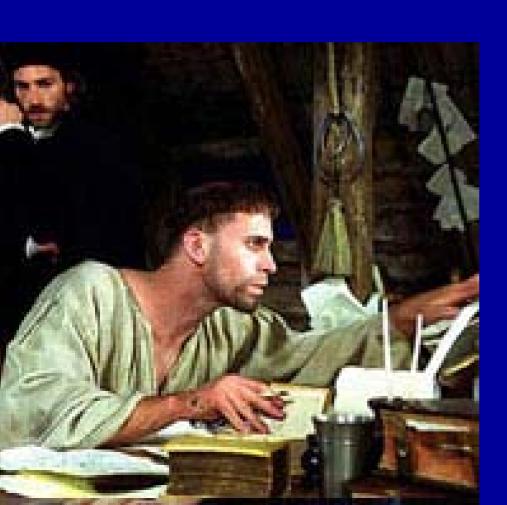
"Ordination"
was not to be
found in the
New Testament



"Extreme
Unction" was
found in James
and dealt with
sick, not dying



## October 10, 1520 the Bull reached Luther

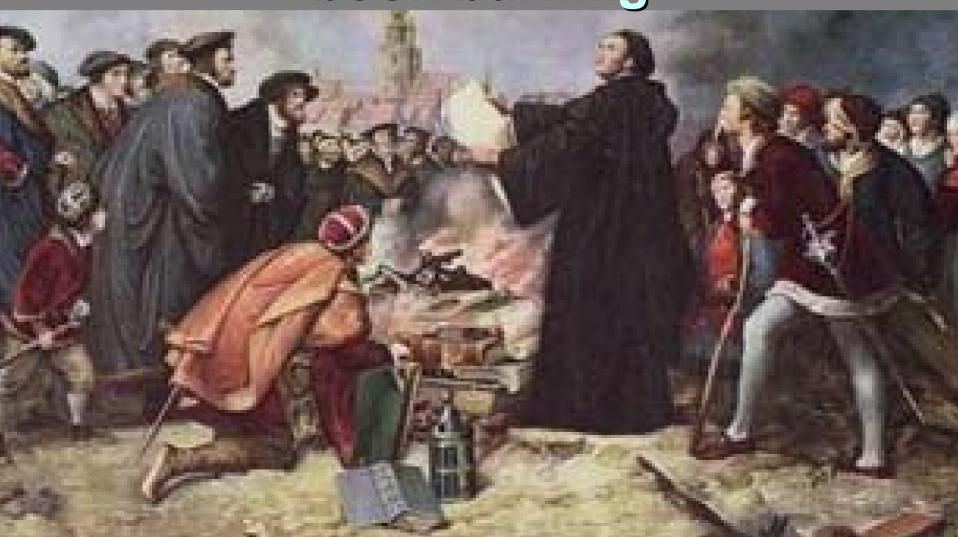


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Luther then writes the pope a letter and sends his 5th tract

Instead of going to Rome, Luther and Melanchthon have their own book burning



# Luther is called before the Emperor and Church at the Diet of Worms





# Q: Are these books yours? A: Yes





## Q: Do you defend them or recant?



Q: Do you defend them or recant? A: May I have a day to answer?



"My conscience is captive to the word of God. I cannot and I will not recant anything, for to go against



"conscience is neither right nor safe. God help me. Here I stand, I cannot do otherwise. Amen."



The Emperor declares Luther an outlaw, guilty of heresy, to be arrested and punished



Where do you stand? What do you value enough to die for?

- Where do you stand? What do you value enough to die for?
- Praise God for our Bibles. (And support the Gideons!)

 "Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith" (Heb. 10:19-22)