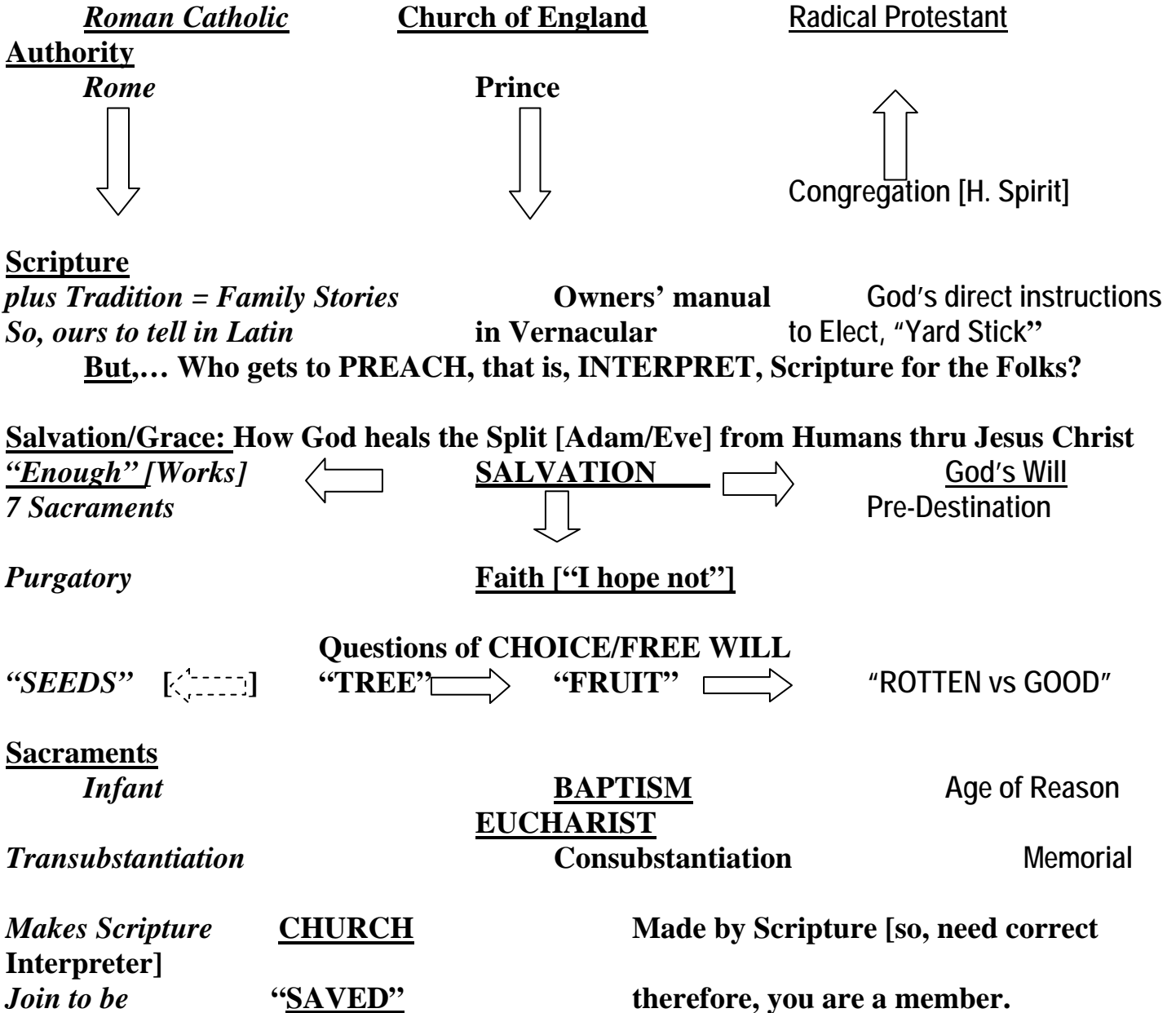


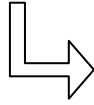
Reformation and Counter-Reformation

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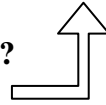


LUTHER [REFORMATION] & LOYOLA [COUNTER-REFORMATION]
COMPARISON

“Justification by Faith”



PELAGIANISM?



Catholic tradition: “Human Cooperation”

GRACE alone!
NO Free Will

*Grace plus “Works” plus “Free Will”
Necessary for SALVATION*

↳ *“Activist spirituality”*

Radical rediscovery of “God’s Word”
Emphasis on Preaching/Teaching/Interpretation*

Protestant Hallmark

**Also critical for early Jesuits*

Innovations of Printing and new Scripture translations by Humanists, but use of Classical Rhetorical Skills

PREACHING – at length, in Formal settings
Churches, Universities
Scholastic-style Debate

MASS & RETREATS [Jesuit invention]
Focus is Informal: where folks gather
Conversations about “the things of God”

Theological Exposition [Religion of the Mind] vs.

Charity and good Example [Religion of the Heart]

Radical rediscovery of Saint Paul
ROMANS -- Salvation thru Justification by Faith

CORINTHIANS – Ministry as Service
“all things to all men”
Self-expenditure to “win everything” [salvation]
“members of one Body”

RIGHT THINKING ABOUT DOCTRINE

ORDERED [RIGHT] LIFE = TO LOVE AS JESUS

CALVIN [RADICAL REFORM] COMPARRISON

"Institutes of the Christian Religion"

1st systematization of Protestant theology, becomes an international handbook

PREDESTINATION & DOUBLE PRE-D

[LUTHER: God's foreknowledge of those who will reject Grace]

ORIGINAL SIN creates a "frightful deformity" and "hereditary depravity" in humans.

God wills that some reject Grace, and are therefore Damned, so that we "admire God's glory"
And the ELECT are all the more grateful

GOD'S WORD – the ONLY way sinful humanity can grasp an "awareness" of God is the WRITTEN TEXT of the BIBLE [not thru the Tradition or "mystical" Prayer] when it is PROPERLY INTERPRETED, AS FOLLOWED BY THE 1ST CHRISTIANS, which is what created the CHURCH

The "TRUE" CHURCH consists of the PREDESTINED ELECT, and therefore is INVISIBLE to all but God.

Holy Communion is only a memorial action because [even the Risen] Christ can't be 2 places at once.

The "ECCLESIASTICAL ORDINANCES" of Geneva: Attendance at Sunday services and Preaching as well as Acceptance of Calvinism are mandatory, violations are Capital Offenses, as are fornication, adultery, and showing disrespect to a parent.

Sober, hard-working middle-class Capitalists = Prosperity = Evidence of God's Favor

[Temporal "Works" toward wealth REVEAL GOD'S FAVOR vs.
Spiritual "Works" aimed toward GAINING GRACE!]

SCRIPTURE teaches that WAR, DISEASE, AND NATURAL DISASTERS are PUNISHMENT for SIN; humble acceptance of these hardships is required, LEST MORE OF GOD'S WRATH ENSUE.

A Quick Look at JOHN KNOX

1542-James V of Scotland dies, 6yr-old Mary becomes queen

Scotland is thoroughly [French] Catholic

Knox, a Roman Catholic Priest and canon lawyer, undergoes a fanatical Protestant conversion

1553 – *Mary Tudor becomes Queen of England*

By then, Knox has become principal leader of Scottish Protestants, been involved in a civil war, spent 2 years rowing a French penal galley, refused an offer to become a bishop of the Church of England [Cranmer's prayer book is too papist], gone to Geneva, and grew convinced that he was called to bring iron-fisted Calvinism to Scotland.

CATHOLICS THEMSELVES, not just the system and/or the hierarchy, are the DAMNED "CHILDREN OF SATAN".

1559 – Knox returns to SCOTLAND and a PROTESTANT PARLIAMENT establishes the KIRK OF SCOTLAND; the next year, Knox writes the "CONFESSIONS OF FAITH", the creedal statement of the KIRK... CALVINISM on Steroids.

1572 – Knox dies, Scotland is thoroughly [officially] radical Protestant.

1542 – 1560 = only 18 years.

Mary Stuart reigns in Scotland from 1561- 1569 = only 8 years.

Elizabeth I reigns in England from 1558 – 1603 = 45 years.