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"NOT MY POPE"

• He abolishes the Commandments of God at will (specifically the 1^{st} , the 6^{th} ,

and the 9th— we are awaiting the rest)

- He has the inconceivable audacity to *re-write* the ending of *the only prayer* that Jesus Himself explicitly taught us (the Pater Noster, Our Father) to make it more acceptable to "modern" sensitivities.
- He repudiates the explicit Scriptural condemnation of homosexuality_in both the Old and New Testaments ("God made you like this." and "Who am I to judge?")
- He teaches that Hell does not exist despite Christ's own frequent teachings concerning it — not simply as a possibility, but as an distinct eschatological reality to be averted at all costs. For Francis unrepentant sinners simply vanish, cease to be, upon their death. The most obvious consequence of this denial involves abolishing the fundamental Christian concept pertaining to the notion of Judgment — both the Particular and the Last Judgment, both of which consequently become meaningless.
- For Francis *all religions are willed by God* even those that are mutually contradictory and manifestly evil and which deny or denigrate Christ.
 Every religion leads to God *despite* what Christ said.

- Francis insists that, "Women in the Church are more important than bishops and priests." (Why emphasize women to the exclusion of the *laity* in general? Francis is a covert Feminist).
- Francis reproached Filipinos, telling them that Catholics should not "breed like rabbits" — but practice "<u>Responsible Planned Parenthood</u>."
- The Church, for Francis is not the unspeakably beautiful *Bride of Christ* it is simply a *"Field Hospital."*
- The Church has placed too great an emphasis on abortion. There are other pressing issues such as Environmentalism. In fact the current plague COVID-19 is not some aboriginal chastisement from God, or even something biological in origin: it is Mother Earth, the environment "having a fit."
- Oh, yes atheists go to Heaven, too, together with animists, et alia. (Why then did Christ die on the Cross?)

- At the Foot of the Cross, Francis insists that, "Mary surely wanted to say to the Angel: 'Liar! I was deceived.' "
- "I imagine *Mary as a normal girl,*" Francis said, "a girl of today, open to getting married, to having a family." However Mary was not just "any" girl in Holy Scripture: at the *Annunciation* the Archangel Gabriel *hailed her* as *"full of grace"*, saying, *"blessed art thou among women"* and that she would *"conceive the Son of the Most High."*
- For Francis, "*Proselytism is solemn nonsense*. It makes no sense. We need to get to know each other, listen to each other..." despite *the very last command of Christ* in the Gospel of Saint Matthew: "*Teach ye all nations; baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.*"
- "Jesus," Francis further claims, "came to the world to learn to be a man and, and being man [and with no mention of Christ's divinity], to walk with men." Actually, Christ came into the world (the *Incarnation*) to redeem the world, to suffer for our sins, to overcome the devil and death and above

all to save souls.

- Francis presumes to *authoritatively pontificate on economics and politics* in a way that an economist or a politician would never dare presume to authoritatively speak about matters religious.
- On the 50th anniversary of "Earth Day" he reproached the Faithful, stating that "We have sinned against the earth."
- "God", Francis assures us, "always forgives; we humans sometimes forgive, but the earth never forgives. If we despoil the earth, its response will be very ugly." Can we really look to <u>Gaia</u> Mother Earth to absolve us for using plastic as we look to God to absolve us from our sins?
- Instead of teaching the Faith, Francis laments the "increasing use and power of air-conditioning" as inimical to environmentalism even while Domus Sanctae Marthae where he lives is air-conditioned and has refrigerators as well. "Rigid Catholics" whom he detests would rightly "rigidly" call this hypocrisy.

As I said in the beginning — *He is not my pope!* However, *nominally*, he is a Catholic Pope — if only in light of the fact that he indeed occupies the Seat of Saint Peter — but as an interloper, an environmental and social activist, a political and economic adviser with credentials in neither, and a apparent <u>syncretist</u> preeminent — to whom every other "belief system" in the world is laudable, acceptable, and *praiseworthy* to Francis — <u>except his own Catholic religion</u> — from which he increasingly distances himself in an ongoing repudiation.

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