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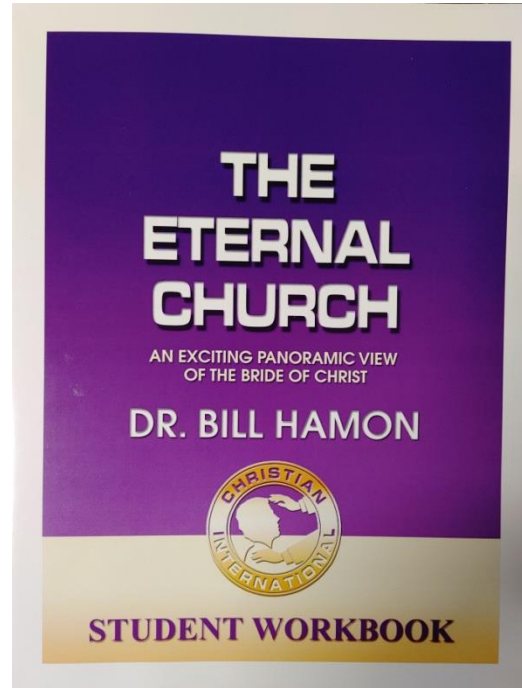
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THE ETERNAL CHURCH SERIES

**WELCOME BACK TO LESSON 4
IN THIS SERIES.**

**WE CONTINUE TONIGHT WITH
THE RESTORATION OF THE
CHURCH & THE PROTESTANT
MOVEMENT.**

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E. THE PROTESTANT MOVEMENT- Explanation of "Protestant Movement" and restoration of "Repentance From Dead Works" Doctrine according to the chart

1. Approximate date A.D. 1500 (left hand margin of chart)
2. Justification - Study of Word, Prayer and Peace
3. a) "Justification" was the spiritual experience the Church received when the first Doctrine of Christ was restored.

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Study of Word-

The average person had no way of checking the Bible to determine the truth of what was being propagated. The discovery of the printing press enable protestant ministers to make the Word of God accessible to people in their own language.

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- 1. Prayer-** The truths taught in the Protestant Movement put the Body of Christ back into a true, personal and direct prayer relationship with God. Every restorational movement brings clarification and magnification to the purpose and power of prayer.

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Peace-

The assurance of right standing with God and direct access to Heaven at death.

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REPENTANCE FROM DEAD WORKS

Doctrines of Christ

Hebrews 6:1,2 Acts 3:21

Repentance From Dead Works

Grace of God

Eph 2:8 & 9

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a) Grace of God, Ephesians 2:8,9

The cry of the Holy Spirit during the protestant movement was deliverance from tradition and dead works which "made the Word of God of none effect" Mark 7:13

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The Protestant Movement delivered the Church from:

- **the authority of the pope**
- **the merit of good works**
- **indulgences**
- **the mediation of the Virgin Mary & Saints**
- **all sacraments which had not been instituted by Christ**
- **the view of mass as a sacrifice**

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- private confession of sin to a priest
- celibacy of the clergy
- use of Latin in the services
- paraphernalia such as holy water, shrines, chantries, rosaries, paternoster stones, images and candles

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b) Justification by Faith Only-

There were **Five Principles** established by the Protestant preachers:

- True Christianity is founded upon the Scriptures.
- Christianity should be rational and intelligent
- Christianity should be a personal, direct relationship with God without man-appointed intermediaries.
- Christianity should be spiritual in the simplicity of the Gospel without ritualistic ceremonies.
- The local and national church concept instead of the one worldwide church with the pope as supreme.

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4) Protestant

Restoration Movements

Protestant

Lutheran

Episcopal

Presbyterian

a) The Name "Protestant"-

Authorize princes made a formal "protest".

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5) Protestant Movement Churches

Three main church denominations emerged because of the movement. The Lutheran Church became the Christian Church in **Germany**; Episcopalian in **England**; and the Presbyterian in **Scotland**.

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a) The Lutheran Church (Germany)-

Historically, because Martin Luther broke away from the Catholic Church

Spiritually, because a many God received a revelation of truth that made it impossible for him to continue in the same religion system.

Restorationally, *The Holy initiated the period of the Restoration of the Church*

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The Presbyterian Church (Scotland) –

John Knox is recognized as the founder. He was born in Scotland, converted to Protestantism and assumed the leadership of the Reformation Movement in Scotland. He was closely associated with the teachings of Calvin his Presbyterian church doctrines were strongly Calvinistic.

He forcefully expressed his teachings on the “sovereignty” of God and predestination.

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- 5) Other groups that made preparation for the next restoration
 - a) **The Puritans**- Those who worked to "purify" the church of England from Catholic religion ceremonies.
 - b) **The Anabaptist** - Best known for their teaching that infant baptism has no saving grace any more that adult baptism w/o prior confession

They also had **four other doctrines** that the Protestant Churches and Catholicism would not accept.

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These doctrines that divided were:

- *Discipline*: Christianity was more than mental faith and verbal confession, it must produce a transformed life and a daily walk with God
- *Brotherly Love*: mutual aid and redistribution of wealth, having all things common. (Among Moravian Anabaptists it even led to Christian communal living)

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- *Restoration of the Church:* They were committed to restoring the Church to the vigor and faithfulness of its earliest centuries.
- *Separation:* with strong conviction they insisted upon Separation of church and state. All the established Protestant churches still retained the Catholic concept of Church and State integration.

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Protestant and Catholic joined forces to **exterminate** Anabaptism.

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6) **Controversial Theology of the Protestant's**

Arminianism vs. Calvinism

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- a) Five differences between Calvinism (C) and Arminianism (A)
 - c 1. Election is determined solely by the sovereign will of God.
 - A 1. Before the foundation of the world God determined to save, through Christ, those who believe in Christ and persevere in the faith unto the end, and to leave the unbelieving under **condemnation**.
 - C 2. Christ died for the elect only.
 - A 2. Christ died for all and redemption is for all, but only those who believe will be saved.

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C 3. Man's whole nature is affected by the fall, and he is without any merit to attain salvation.

A 3. Man is in a state of apostasy and sin, and has no saving grace of himself; it is need full that he be born again and renewed in Christ that he may rightly understand, think, will and do what is truly good.

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C 4. All the elect will be saved. God's grace is irresistible.

A 4. Without the grace of God man can do nothing; but this grace is not irresistible.

C 5. God's elect are eternally secure. (Once saved, always saved.)

A 5. Those who have become partakers of Christ are given sufficient grace to win the victory over all sin, and all who are actively willing and ready to accept Christ's help will be kept by him from falling into the hands of Satan. (Elgin S. Moyers, *Who Was Who in Church History*, Chicago, Illinois, Moody Press, 1962. p. 18)

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All Mainline Protestant churches are either Arminianist, or Calvinist or a **Combination of Both** in their doctrines.

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- a) **PURPOSE- TO ACTIVATE THE PERIOD OF THE GREAT RESTORATION**
- b) **PLACE – EUROPE WAS ITS PLACE OF BIRTH AND GROWTH**
- c) **PEOPLE- THOSE THAT CAM OUT OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**D. PRODUCT – THE PRINTING PRESS
PUBLICIZED THE TRUTH OF THE
MOVEMENT**

E. MAN – MARTIN LUTHER

**F. MESSAGE- REPENTANCE FROM DEAD
WORKS**

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G. MINISTRY – PREACHING OF THE WORD

H. METHOD – BY FAITH IN GOD AND BY THE USE OF EVERY MEANS AVAILABLE

I. RESULTS – THE CHURCH AWAKENED FROM HER LETHARGY ANDN APOSTASY, TAKING THE FIRST OF SEVEN STEPS TO ULTIMATE PERFECTION.