

## THE REFORMATION

### Why The Reformation Was Needed

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1. Our glorious salvation is given by \_\_\_\_\_  
Himself, not invented by men.

a. The Roman Catholic Church became seriously  
conflicted about who was the \_\_\_\_\_  
authority in the church.

b. There were men God raised up to challenge the man-  
made distortions of the \_\_\_\_\_,  
but they were violently rejected.

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ has been given  
a sacred trust by God to faithfully pass along the  
biblical gospel to each generation.

a. There are crucial times in history when various  
aspects of basic Christian doctrine must be  
\_\_\_\_\_.

b. The Roman Catholic emphasis on the \_\_\_\_\_,  
confession, purgatory, Mariology, and indulgences  
gave a distorted view of the gospel.

3. Those who \_\_\_\_\_ the gospel  
rightly deserve the condemnation of the Lord.

*“They offered violence to the doctrine of grace, that it might  
be conscious to such a monstrous birth and production as  
filthy lusts and carnal pleasures.” - Thomas Manton*

*“Since then your majesty and your lordships desire a simple  
reply, I will answer without horns and without teeth. Unless I  
am convicted by the Scriptures and plain reason—I do not  
accept the authority of popes and councils, for they have  
contradicted each other—my conscience is \_\_\_\_\_  
to the Word of God. I cannot and will not recant anything, for  
to go against conscience is neither right nor safe. Here I  
stand. I cannot do otherwise. God help me. Amen.”  
- Martin Luther at the Diet of Worms in 1521*

*“The Reformation was not a popular moral reform; it was a  
challenge to the very heart of Christianity. The Reformers  
claimed that God’s Word was breaking in to change the  
world; it was unexpected, and went right against the grain; it  
was not a human work but a \_\_\_\_\_  
bombshell.” - Michael Reeves*