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Rome propagates the devil's lie ever more brazenly

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The British press has been filled with the news of the death of well-known television and radio personality, Sir Terry Wogan. He was born a Roman Catholic in Limerick, in the Irish Republic, in 1938 but he moved to England after a time working for RTE (Raidió Teilifís Éireann) as a newsreader and announcer to work for the BBC in the 1960's. He quickly became a household name, branching into television where he hosted many programmes.

As is invariably the case, there was a rush of people to say how well they knew him, how close they were to him etc, etc. One of those who did so was a Roman Catholic priest from Co. Fermanagh. His name is Brian D'Arcy.

A report of what D'Arcy had to say was given in the "[Belfast Telegraph](#)" of January 31st, 2016. The report carried the headline: "Terry Wogan was an atheist but spiritual, says Father Brian D'Arcy"

The priest gave his opinion as to the spiritual state of a man he had worked with as a regular contributor to the 'Wake Up To Wogan' radio programme for 20 years and was a friend for more than four decades and officiated at the weddings of Sir Terry Wogan's children.

Brian D'Arcy is reported as saying: "Despite the late broadcaster's professed atheism, the priest said he was certainly the most spiritual, faith-filled man in the world.' 'He was filled with love, he was filled with charity, he helped so many people in a quiet way,' he said. 'Honest to God, if there is not room for Terry Wogan in heaven, well then, the God I've been preaching is a way off."

Sad

How sad for anyone to exit this world relying upon the words of such a blaspheming priest!

What D'Arcy says is, of course, in keeping with the recent pronouncements of his Pope. 'The Independent' newspaper, back on Wednesday, 11th September, 2013, carried the headline:

"Pope Francis assures atheists: You don't have to believe in God to go to heaven."

The newspaper reported: "In comments likely to enhance his progressive reputation, Pope Francis has written a long, open letter to the founder of La Repubblica newspaper, Eugenio Scalfari, stating that non-believers would be forgiven by God if they followed their consciences.

Responding to a list of questions published in the paper by Mr Scalfari, who is not a Roman Catholic, Francis wrote: "You ask me if the God of the Christians forgives those who don't believe and who don't seek the faith. I start by saying – and this is the fundamental thing – that God's mercy has no limits if you go to him with a sincere and contrite heart. The issue for those who do not believe in God is to obey their conscience.

"Sin, even for those who have no faith, exists when people disobey their conscience."

Brian D'Arcy is only playing 'follow my leader' when he utters such unscriptural nonsense.

Commentary

It is a commentary upon the state of religion that such blatant, undisguised lies are promoted by the devil's agents. There was a time when he, the devil, had to sow 'wheat-like' tares in order to deceive but now he can sow his poison without any sugar-coating whatsoever, so ignorant and gullible have the people become.



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Contradicting the Bible

What the Pope and D'Arcy are saying is in total conflict with the plain teaching of the Lord Jesus Christ in the Bible. The Pope makes man's conscience 'the rule of faith and practice' by which he may please God. That is a lie! Man's conscience, like every other element of his spiritual being, is depraved. It is not a perfect guide but rather, at best, a very faulty compass which can only lead astray. The conscience of man will declare as 'good' that which falls very far short of God's Holy Law. Consciences vary. Some are more tender than others. Some are "seared with a hot iron," 1 Timothy 4:2, and therefore can be no guide at all.

No, conscience is not a guide to be trusted with regards to our soul's salvation. God's Word alone is our guide. "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them," Isaiah 8:20. Christ taught His disciples in John 16:12-14 that the Holy Spirit is the guide Who leads us into all truth and that by teaching us from the Bible. "I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you."

Christ said of His words: "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away," Matthew 24:35. The Scriptures and they alone, are the eternal rule of faith and practice and not conscience.

Paul, before his conversion was a man who lived by his conscience. He tells us so in Galatians 1:13-14. "For ye have heard of my conversation (lifestyle) in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it: and profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers." He also testifies of his earnestness in Philippians 3:4-6. "Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more: circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee; concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless." He was a man whose conscience was clear as far as he knew and yet he was guilty of persecuting the church of Christ and thereby, as stated by the Saviour on the road to Damascus, guilty of persecuting Christ Himself, Acts 9:4!

No, the conscience is no safe guide despite what the Pope says.

The Bible's teaching

1. Please carefully consider what the Saviour taught regarding 'faith'.

"He (Christ) came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name," John 1:11-12.

"He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God," John 3:18.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life," John 5:24.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life," John 6:47.

"But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand," John 10:26-28.

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me," John 14:6.

2. John the Baptist said:



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"He that hath received his (Christ's) testimony hath set to his seal that God is true. For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him. The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand. He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him," John 3:33-36.

3. Peter the apostle said:

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved," Acts 4:12.

4. Paul the apostle said:

"And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house," Acts 16:30-31.

"But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him," Hebrews 11:6.

5. John the apostle said:

"He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son. And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life," 1 John 5:10-12.

Many more verses

We could add many, many more texts of Holy Scripture which teach this doctrine. What we have set down is sufficient to show the devilish lie of Rome.

We can but pity those who listen to such counsel, lean on such counsel and depart this life depending and trusting in such counsel.

God give His servants grace and courage to oppose and denounce these lies which evidently grow more shameless and audacious as the darkness of this age deepens.

Peter

Surely the words of Brian D'Arcy are an example of the sort to which Peter referred.

"But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of," 2 Peter 2:1-2.

Brian D'Arcy qualifies for this denunciation by Peter when he is quoted as saying: 'Honest to God, if there is not room for Terry Wogan in heaven, well then, the God I've been preaching is a way off.'

What a bold and wicked defiance of God this priest of Rome engages in! Nothing demonstrates more clearly that the 'god' D'Arcy has been preaching is not the God of the Bible. Both he and the Pope would have people believe that they can defy God, call Him a liar, for John says: "He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son," 1 John 5:10, and having done so, still defiantly expect a place in heaven! Listen again to D'Arcy's blasphemous words: 'Honest to God, if there is not room for Terry Wogan in heaven, well then, the God I've been preaching is a way off.'

According to one 'urban dictionary' the phrase 'way off' means 'completely wrong'!



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What arrogant and wicked temerity is found in that statement! D'Arcy contemptuously says that God would be 'completely wrong' to keep out of heaven one who rejects the record of the gospel regarding Christ, calls God a liar and demands that his works rather than Christ's sacrifice at the cross be accepted as payment for his sins!

Lawlessness

This is the spirit we see at work today amongst the refugees/immigrants who flood over borders, defying all law and demanding that they be accepted as citizens and enjoy the benefits of such and complain bitterly and even resort to violence if they are not given their way. It is the spirit of 'lawlessness' which the Word of God tells us will fill the earth just prior to the return of Christ. As it was in the days before the flood, even so it is today. "And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. . . . The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence," Genesis 6:5, 11.

This is the spirit of Brian D'Arcy, of the Pope and the arrogant immigrants who demand access to the benefits of citizenship in the lands of others and to which they have no legitimate claim. May God have mercy and awaken those poor souls who follow such evil men and those so-called Protestants who admire such!!

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