

*"Some persons think us too severe and censorious when we call the **Roman pontiff Antichrist**. ...I shall briefly show that ([Ed.: the Apostle] Paul's words in II Thessalonians [Ed.: Chapter] 2) are not capable of any other interpretation than that which applies them to the **Papacy**."* – John Calvin (1509-1564; French Protestant reformer)

*"Wherefore it followeth **Rome** to be the seat of antichrist, and the **pope** to be very antichrist himself. I could prove the same by many other Scriptures, old writers, and strong reasons."* – Thomas Cranmer (1489-1556; English churchman; archbishop of Canterbury)

*"[Ed.: Martin] Luther...proved, by the revelations of [Ed.: the prophet] Daniel and St. John, by the epistles of St. Paul, St. Peter, and St. Jude, that the reign of Antichrist, predicted and described in the Bible, was the **Papacy**."* – J.H. Merle D'Aubigné (*"History of the Reformation of the Sixteenth Century"*)

*"[Ed.: John] Wycliffe, [Ed.: William] Tyndale, [Ed.: Martin] Luther, [Ed.: John] Calvin, [Ed.: Thomas] Cranmer; in the seventeenth century, [Ed.: John] Bunyan, the translators of the King James Bible and the men who published the Westminster and Baptist confessions of Faith; Sir Isaac Newton, [Ed.: John] Wesley, [Ed.: George] Whitefield, Jonathan Edwards; and more recently [Ed.: Charles Haddon] Spurgeon, Bishop J.C. Ryle and Dr. Martin Lloyd-Jones; these men, among countless others, all saw the office of the **Papacy** as the antichrist."* – Michael de Semlyen (*"All Roads Lead to Rome?"*; 1993; Pages 197, 198)

*"[Ed.: The **Pope** is] the very antichrist, and 'son of perdition', of whom [Ed.: the Apostle] Paul speaks."* – John Knox (1505-1572; Scottish Protestant clergyman and religious reformer)

*"We here are of the conviction that the **papacy** is the seat of the true and real Antichrist."* – Martin Luther (1483-1546; Former Augustinian monk and Roman Catholic priest; German theologian and religious reformer)

*"If you do not contend with your whole heart against the impious government of the **Pope**, you cannot be saved. Whoever takes delight in the religion and worship of **popery** will be eternally lost in the world to come.*

*If you reject it [Ed.: i.e., **popery, Romanism**], you must expect to incur every kind of danger, even to lose your lives – but it is far better to be exposed to such perils in the world than to keep silence! So long as I live, I will denounce to my [Ed.: Christian] brethren the sore and the plague of Babylon [Ed.: i.e., **Papal Rome** – the Romish Babylon] for fear that many who are with us should fall back like the rest into the bottomless pit."* – Martin Luther (1483-1546; Former Augustinian monk and Roman Catholic priest; German theologian and religious reformer; quote is taken from the *"History of the Reformation of the 16th Century"* by J.H. Merle D'Aubigné; Volume 15, Page 208)