

“Haters of the True Holy Bible: Papal Rome’s Centuries-Long Relentless War on the True Holy Bible and on Bible-Believing Christians”

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Here are some facts about the “*Haters of the Holy Bible*”, most of which are generally not found in history textbooks and encyclopedias here in America:

- In 1184 the Roman Catholic Synod of Verona was held in the city of Verona, Italy. It declared that “heretics” were to be burned! [Note: “Heretics”, for the most part, were: (1) independent Bible-believing Christian groups; and, (2) those Roman Catholics who dared to question either the power of the pope or any of the unscriptural doctrines and practices of their own Church!]
- **1203-1808** (the unofficial timeframe, according to a number of scholars, of the Roman Catholic Inquisition): Up to 50 million innocents (including many independent Bible believers, Protestants, etc.) were tortured and murdered by the Roman Catholic Inquisition! Many were burned at the stake – sometimes simply for possessing or reading a Bible in their own native (i.e., common or vulgar) language, such as English, French, Spanish, German, etc.!
- **1208-1226**: Roman Catholic army after army was sent into southern France to exterminate the Bible-believing, Bible-studying, and Bible-practicing Albigensian Christians.
- In 1215 the Roman Catholic 4th Lateran Council declared that “heretics” were to be burned, and their property was to be confiscated!
- In 1229 the Roman Catholic Synod of Toulouse (held in the southern French city of Toulouse) forbade individuals to read – or to even possess – a Vaudois (i.e., a Waldensian) Bible.
- In 1229 the Roman Catholic Inquisition executed 32,000 Bible-believing Albigensian Christians at Toulouse, France, and confiscated all their property!
- In 1234 the Roman Catholic Council of Tarragona (held in Tarragona, Spain) stated that no individual could possess a Bible in one’s native (i.e., vulgar or common) language. Anyone finding such a Bible was to turn it into the authorities to be burned!
- In 1408 the Roman Catholic 3rd Synod of Oxford (held in Oxford, England when England was still a Roman Catholic country) declared it “heresy” to possess an unauthorized English Bible (i.e., an English Bible that had not been previously approved by the Roman Catholic Church).
- **1553-58**: During this 5-year reign of Roman Catholic Queen Mary, a.k.a. “*Bloody Mary*”, over 280 Bible believers in England were burned at the stake, and approximately 100 Bible believers died in prison from torture, malnutrition, and exposure to damp, cold prison conditions! Many copies of Bibles, which were not authorized by the Roman Catholic Church, were burned!
- In 1559 the Roman Catholic Council of Trent (1545-63) placed all Bibles, which had not been authorized by the Roman Catholic Church, on their “*Index of Forbidden Books*”.
- **1700s to the present**: When the Roman Catholic Church failed in her efforts to burn all Bibles not authorized by her; and failed to exterminate all independent Bible believers, Orthodox Christians, Protestants, and Baptists from off the face of the planet; she tried some new tactics. Her new tactics included the following: (1) trying to undermine the authority of the Bible through centuries of “higher criticism” and textual criticism; (2) infiltrating and taking over Bible Societies; and, (3) orchestrating and promoting the publication of the so-called “newer versions” of the Bible – versions whose New Testaments are based on from 2 to 5 corrupt Greek manuscripts (at least two of which are Roman Catholic, i.e., Vaticanus and Sinaiticus).

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