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THE REFORM

“But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both
now and forever! Amen.”

2 Peter 3:18

FOR YOU – In 1517, nearly 500 years has passed, a priest of the Roman Catholic Church named Martin Luther began to deeply study the word of God, because he found himself in an existential dilemma, in a tremendous struggle between his flesh and his spirit. Real spiritual warfare Luther had with his spiritual state: some days he was feeling strong, brave, saved, confident about eternal life; however sometimes he felt guilty, like the worst man of all time, close to hell. He felt that there was something more than idolatry, candles, sacraments, ordinances, instructions, washings, etc.

Luther Needed More of God So God Enlightened Him

- Six words changed completely the spiritual history and religious of humanity. (Romans 1:17)
- Luther objected to the church saying: “It is better that I obey God rather than men”. Then, the Reform Movement of the Church has begun. (Galatians 1:10)
- Luther discovers that the first commandment is against idolatry. He had been fooled because of the dogmas and doctrines imposed by the clergy. (Deuteronomy 5:8)
- The Holy Spirit of God enlightened men to show the biblical true to the elected and

predestined. (John 8:32)

- It was from the reform of the Catholic Church that was born the Evangelical Churches: Lutheran, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, etc. (John 8:32)
- Again the gospel tends to be humanized or dogmatized, and with ordinances attempt to bring man to slavery. (Galatians 1:11-12)
- Luther fought the clericalism in the Church, for the Bible says that all Christians are priests. (1 Peter 2:9)
- The five basic principles of the Lutheran Reformation are: only the Scripture, only the Faith, Only Christ, only the Grace, universal priesthood. (Hebrews 12:22-24)
- The Reform was a revival of this coal, whose flame of testimony spread throughout the earth. (Isaiah 6:13)

FINAL WORDS: All the time there are people knocking at our door with strange doctrines of God's words. It is up to us, the watchmen of the reformed Faith, to watch and to pray so the enemy does not take us while we are unaware and fool us with its lies and vain philosophies. Therefore we should maintain the Sound Doctrine and the Grace, honoring those apostles of Jesus Christ, through whom the purity of the Gospel has recovered its honor.