



Nepotism

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The giving of church positions to one's relatives

Absenteeism

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Cardinals and bishops who had more than one diocese could only live in one of them, so they were absent from the others

Pluralism

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Holding more than one church office at a time

Simony

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Buying and selling of church positions





95 Theses

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Luther's criticism of the Catholic Church's sale of indulgences

Papal Bull

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An official letter from the Pope

Edict of Worms

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Issued by Emperor Charles V calling Martin Luther an outlaw and heretic

Heretic

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Belief or practice against Catholic teachings





Peace of
Augsburg

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Declared that each
ruler could decide
their state's religion

Predestination

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Where God selects
those going to
heaven or to hell

Diet of
Worms

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A meeting where
Luther refused to
withdraw his beliefs

Elders

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Teachers who
offered advice to
wrong-doers





The Elect

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Those who
went to heaven

Presbyters

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Elders who were
involved in the
punishment of wrong
doers

Excommunicated

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Thrown out of
church

Justification by
Faith Alone

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Belief that a
person was saved
by faith alone





'The City of God'

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Name given to
Geneva by John
Calvin

'City of the Devil'

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Name given to
Rome by John
Calvin

Council of
Trent

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Meeting of bishops
and cardinals to
reform the Catholic
Church

Reformation

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Effort to reform
the Catholic
Church





Court of Inquisition

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Anti-protestant
Court established by
the Catholic Church

The Jesuits

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Order of priests
established by
Ignatius Loyola, an ex-
soldier from Spain

Indulgences

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Paying for
forgiveness of
sins

Act of Supremacy

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Act establishing Henry
VIII the Supreme Head
of the Church of
England





Martin
Luther

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Professor of Theology,
and important figure in
the Reformation

Sale of
Indulgences

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Paying a price to
get into heaven

John Eck

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Theologian who
entered a public
debate with Luther

John Calvin

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Founder of the
Presbyterian
Church

