

2000 Years of Existence of the Catholic Church

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Abstrakt: *The article presents a critical analysis of the two-thousand year activity of the Catholic Church.*

1: Historical Context.

The starting point is the Old Testament. Today, nobody doubts that much of the Old Testament was written from the Sumerian „Epic about Gilgames“. There is a Goddess Nin Ti in the Sumerian pantheon, while in Sumerian language „Ti“ mean life, but also „rib“. Nin Ti is therefore the „Lady of Life“, but also the „Lady of the Rib“. In Hebrew, Eve means the „bearer of life“. The fact that Eve was born from Adam's rib cannot be a coincidence (in Hebrew the words life and rib are not synonyms). The biblical description of the Flood of the World is just a description (almost identical) of the older Sumerian version of the Flood of the World in the „Epic of Gilgames“. Sumerian Noah is called Utnapistim in this Epic. The name Moses is not of Hebrew, but of Egyptian origin (Ahmose, Kamose, Tutmose, Ramesse). Moses had probably an Egyptian origin (probably a follower of Akhenaton monotheist) who was after Akhenaton's death forced to leave Egypt with his supporters. According to the Bible, the Jews in Egypt participated in the construction of the city called Pi – Ramesse, during the reign of Ramesse II. The escape from Egypt then had to take place beyond Ramzes's successor Merenptah, around 1200 BC. By the way, Merenptah did not die in the Red Sea during the famous biblical miracle. His mummy was found, he died from old age. Many contradictions are also found in the New Testament. It should be remembered that in addition to the four canonized Gospels there are more than 20 apocryphal Gospels but the Church has never recognized them as true Gospels.. According to the Gospel, the birth of Christ was heralded by the Star of Bethlehem. Modern astronomers think it could be a conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn, which repeatedly occurred in 7 BC. Jesus was born in Bethlehem because, as a result of the people census, Mary and Joseph were on their way to Judea. According to several historians, during August's reign between 8 and 4 BC he was merely a property census and not a people census. It was not necessary to travel to his place of birth during the property census, and therefore a trip to Judea was unnecessary. King Herod the Great demonstrably died in 4 BC, so Jesus had to be born between 6 and 4 BC. According to the Gospel, Jesus died in the 15th year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, which would correspond to year 28, or nearly 29 AD. When Jesus came to Jerusalem shortly before his death, crowds greeted Him, and waved olive branches. The next day, the same crowd shouted on Pilate - crucify Him. Whilst people loved or hated Him, they all knew Him well, and therefore there was no need for Judas' kiss. The death of God and his resurrection is not uncommon in various religions (Osiris of Egypt, Babylonian Tammuz, Phoenician Adonis, etc.). In the second and third centuries AD. there was a development of Christianity. Constantine I. in 313 AD equalized Christianity with other religions and the end of the 4th century, emperor Theodosius enacted Christianity as the only state religion in the Roman Empire. Both emperors are lauded and glorified by the Catholic Church. In doing so, Constantine I. had unjustifiably murdered his eldest son Crispus and his wife Fausta. His other sons later slaughtered their whole family and eventually themselves. Emperor Theodosius was of a fierce nature [1] and was guilty of unnecessary and cruel assassination of the citizens of Thessaloniki and Antioch. The Popes in cruelty did not lag behind the Emperors. In 904, Sergius III. assassinated Leo V. to acquire his papal throne, in 955 got the papal throne 18 year old John XII, multiple murderer, sadist, drunkard and rapist, in 1032 was elected Pope 11 year old boy Benedict IX. also a murderer, and a rapist. In 1073 Pope Gregor VII. proclaimed himself saint. Later he introduced celibacy so that the church's property could not be divided. Few Popes were respectable and good. There prevailed power struggle, the sale of indulgences, the holocaust, the accumulation of property and the murders of opponents.

2: Crimes of the Catholic Church

Crusades. The initiator of the Crusades [2] was Pope Urban II. in 1096. From 1096 to 1278, was total of 9 Crusades. Already during the First Crusade, pogroms broke out, in which thousands of Jews were murdered in France, in the territory of present-day Germany, in Bohemia and in Hungary. In the Middle East, the Muslim population, women, children and old people were systematically slaughtered on behalf of the cross. This is where animosity towards Christianity, which still exists in Islamic countries, began. It is estimated that the death toll of only the first Crusade exceeded 100,000 people.

Cathars. In 1208, Pope Inocent III. exclaimed Crusade against Cathars in Southern France [3]. In 1208 alone, 50 to 70 thousand people were murdered and between 1208 and 1324, there were up to one million victims among the Cathars. The number of victims of the Jewish population killed during pogroms at the first four Crusades was tens of thousands, except in Spain. In Spain itself, not only Muslims were murdered during the reconquist, but also Jews – next tens of thousands more people.

Pogroms. The attacks on Jews [4] continued throughout Europe until the 18th century. In Poland, in year 1648 during the uprising of Bohdan Chmelnicki 200,000 Jews was murdered.

From 1484 to 1750, Europe was killed up to 300,000 people, mostly women. They became victims of the **Witch processes**, organized by Catholic Church. In Spain Napoleon stopped this madness at the beginning of the 19th century. A separate chapter was the spread of the Christian faith in North and South America [5]. An estimated 80 million **Red Indians** lived in America in 1500. After 1550, only 10 million remained. Until the mid-20th century, approximately 100 million Red Indians had been murdered.

Thirty Years' War (1618 - 1648). In the background of this conflict [6] was once again the Catholic Church. For thirty years the Christians have slaughtered each other in the name of Jesus Christ. The death toll is estimated at 8 millions. In Europe began chaos, poverty, hunger and disease. It took nearly two hundred years to repair the damage caused by this war.

This brings us to the death toll of the Catholic Church - **approximately 130 million people.** It should be remembered here that the killing of Red Indians on behalf of the Christian God continued in the following centuries. Many Indians have died as a result of injuries, illnesses and malnutrition, or from the disruption of their natural way of life. From the mid-15th century until the mid-19th century some **30 million slaves were removed from Africa.** Part of it was caused by Arab slavers and a second part Christians, mainly Portuguese, Spanish, but also Dutch, English and French. This was done with the support and blessing of the Catholic Church. Already in 1452, Pope Nicholas V. empowered the King of Portugal to "... conquer the land of the unbelievers, to expel their inhabitants, to conquer and to compel to eternal slavery." Most of the slaves died during the voyages, others due to inhuman conditions and slave labor. Nor did we count the victims of the **Counter-Reformation** during the 16th century.

Therefore, the estimated 130 million victims will still be considerably underestimated and their family members must be added. It is more than the number of victims of World War I and World War II combined. It is more than the total number of victims of Fascism and Communism. For all this, the Pope later apologized. But: For the one hundred thirty million martyred people, for the destruction of whole ethnicities, for genocide and crimes against humanity, for the suppression of human rights, it is not enough just to say „sorry“. This is inexcusably.

3: The Current State of the Catholic Church.

At present, at the time of separation of the Church from the State, the Church can no longer enforce the spread of faith by force. However, the pursuit of power, influence and money persists. The Vatican is involved in many businesses in real estate, plastics, electronics, steel, cement, textiles, chemistry, food and construction. Its assets are estimated at € 100 billion. **The Church is the largest owner of the lands of the western world.**

In Germany the Catholic Church owns 825 000 ha, in Italy more than 500 000 ha of arable land, in Spain, Portugal and Argentina about 20% of all fields, in England about 100 000 ha and in the USA more than 1 100 000 ha of arable land. Meadows and forests are not included. In Rome alone, the church owns approximately 25 percent of the property. In the past, she has become due the collection of ecclesiastical taxes, promoting slavery, collecting charity, selling indulgences, blessings and church titles, selling saints relic, it got rich from the robberies (Borgia), from the inquisition processes, and the falsification of documents, what was also not rare. Nowadays, the main income of the church is charity, the total amount of which is not disclosed (a moderate estimate of EUR 100 million per year), followed by illegal banking operations (another EUR 140 million per year). The registered capital of the Vatican Bank is approximately EUR 5 billion. For years this bank acted as a money washing machine for the mafia and corrupt politicians. Known is the scandal of the Propaganda 2 Lodge in the 1980s (murder of banker R. Calvi and the dismissal of Bishop P. Marcinkus, head of the Vatican Bank). But that it is far from over.

The Catholic Church is currently struggling with numerous sexual scandals. In recent decades, the Church and a large part of the world public solve the sexual exploitation of children and minors by priests and other workers of the Catholic Church. The first reports of abuse appeared in the 1980s. However, a great media response was aroused by the articles in The Boston Globe in. Investigations and courts followed, first in the US, Canada, Ireland and later in the United States and the Australia. According to statistics, the Roman Catholic Church spent nearly \$ 4 billion over the period 1950 - 2016 to legally "settle" cases of pedophilia and crimes committed by priests. In Germany and other European countries, abuses began to be discussed intensively after the publication of these cases from the Jesuit school in Berlin. The cases were published by the school head himself. The many abuses that are worldwide are shocking and incredible. Reports of abuse have negatively affected the visit of Pope Francis to Chile (January 2018). The worst part is that the leaders of the Catholic Church knew about it yet for decades but they protected the perpetrators. All of this is closely related to the loss of credibility of the current Catholic Church. A rapid decline in confidence occurred in North and South America as well as across Europe. E.g. in Germany every year 200,000 believers leaves the Church (it was 400,000 people in 2018), the number of believers in Bohemia has dropped to 10 percent and less than 5 percent believers goes to church. Even in such a strong bastion of Catholicism as Poland is radically decreasing the number of Catholics. All these are alarming and disturbing signals to the Catholic Church.

4: Possible Explanation of the Failure of the Catholic Church.

One of the classic explanations is the desire for power and money, and at the same time the suppression of independent thinking in humans. The Church has always shown fear of scientific and critical thinking. (Kopernik managed to die in time, Galilei was convicted and G. Bruno burned at the border). One has always longed for spirituality. One of the spiritual aspects is science - the desire for knowledge, the other is faith - the desire for the higher meaning of life, after love, happiness and justice. These two aspects are independent entities.

A God has never been and will not be the subject of scientific inquiry, and faith will never be interested in scientific laws. A good scientist can be both a believer and an atheist. Surely there are many good and dedicated priests in the Catholic Church who have dedicated their lives to service to the people. But their charity work absolutely not exceed the lives of more than 130 million victims, for which they are mainly responsible the high church dignitaries. Let's ask a question. How could 130 million people be murdered in the name of Christ, and especially who is this Jesus Christ? At first two citations:

Revelation of St John, 22,16:

„I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.“

Prophet Isaiah, 14,12:

„How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!“

Note: The word Lucifer comes from Latin (lux = light, ferre = bear) and means the morning star. In Christian mythology, Lucifer represents the supreme angel, by virtue and power immediately after God. But he became a proud power and stood up against God, who had knocked him down along with other angels. The Biblical New Testament, when referring to the morning star or Lucifer (in Vulgata), refers to this term usually Jesus Christ. In Eastern Christianity, the term "Lucifer" retained its original meaning and presents Jesus Christ. In Western Christianity, this primordial meaning of the morning star Lucifer may be encountered, for example, in the so-called Easter Praise, which is the old hymn sung during White Saturday.

This would explain everything, even the 130 million victims. If there really is a Devil, then he reside in opulent bishops' palaces or directly in the Vatican. Which Father demands unconditional love from his child, otherwise this child will be damned forever? Which parent requires his child to be tortured and killed for the idea (faith)? Christ died by on the cross and requires from people to make the same self-sacrifice, this is not love but sadomasochism. Constantly threats by hell and the promises of heaven - this is the policy of sugar and whip, from such a religion comes from anxiety and horror, fear and insecurity. In the past, it was necessary to die for faith, but also to kill for the spread of faith. Which perverse God might want that? God is the highest good, it is infinite and selfless Love, it is Forgiveness and Solace. We do not need institutionalized Churches, that work between people and God. Even without a Church, one knows what is good and what is bad. God can be found in soul of people, and its no Pope, Bishop, Imman, Ayatollah, Rabbi, Brahman, Prophet, nor even the Messiah is needed.

Crown of thorns is a symbol of light (Sun) rays of ancient God Saturn. The word crown is derived from the word Kronos. Greek God Kronos = Roman God Saturn. The skull is his symbol. Golgotha symbolically refers to the master of death - to Saturn. Jesus was to be born in December, when Saturnalies were celebrated in ancient Rome. Jesus is usually given the attribute 'Lord'. It was the name of the Sumerian god Enki. Enki = Saturn. Jesus turned water into wine just like Dionysus, the ancient Greek and Roman God of wine, (wine symbolizes the blood of the victim). Dionysus was also called Bacchus or Iacchus. He was born on 25 December from virgin just like Jesus. He was considered the 'Savior'. When he died, he was resurrected after three days and ascended to heaven. He was considered a Lamb. Iacchus = Iesus = Jesus. Dionysus is associated with Saturn.

Before Jesus, the solar God Mithra, who was to be born on December 25, was worshiped in Rome and Persia. He was also known as the Shepherd, as well as the Messiah and Savior, had twelve disciples and performed miracles. He was the Lamb, the Way, the Truth, and the Light. During the spring equinox he was resurrected after being dead for three days. Sunday was dedicated to Mithra,

and the rituals of the Mithra cult included baptism, the eucharist, and the eating of a sacred dish consisting of bread, wine and water. In a picture in Roman catacombs, Mithra is portrayed as a child sitting in the womb of her Mother. It is a typical model - a older model of Jesus Christ.

5: Conclusions.

There are always been a dark streams in the Church. There is a fear for eternal punishment, while the infinite punishment should follow after the infinite guilt. No guilt can be absolute and therefore there can be no absolute punishment. This is not compatible with the infinitely good and kind God. Church teaching is teeming with demons, evil spirits, and Satan, exorcism is practiced [7] although affected people may be mentally ill and would rather need medical psychiatric help. The Church has always abused women and still does not regard them as full human beings.

In the 90s of the 20th century, John Paul II. he justified the mass murders and genocide that the Catholic Church was responsible for [8]. The crimes of the church were called errors. Then, World Wars, Fascism, and Communism were also only mistakes too? The present Pope Francis I. apologized for the pedophile sexual scandals of his priests. It seems that the Church is only constantly apologizing. But that does not return life to the martyred people, nor do they bring peace to the families of the raped children. The highest of all values is justice. It must be quick and effective. Pedophile priests, all without exception, should be brought before the courts and punished exemplary.

There are qualities such as beauty, courage, strength, intelligence, prudence, and so on. There are higher values than love, health, work, but also these values have someone without their own merit, and someone does not have them at all. God is attributed to love as the highest value, but love is never objective. The parent loves his child, partner loves his partner and they are often uncritical and does not see and does not want to see mistakes and bad sides of their loved ones. God, according to the Church, loves his believers most and only is willing to forgive them. But the highest value is and must be objective justice. Justice should always apply, everywhere and to everyone without distinction. Unfortunately, in the past and nowadays, the principles of justice have not been applied anywhere. All governments and authorities have abused their power only for their own benefit.

Man has never been fair to his fellow man. It has always been about money, power and personal gain. This is true of all Churches, everyone thinks it has a patent on God and only its own teaching is right. But this world is inherently unfair. There have always been unjust wars, conflicts, hatred, crimes, natural disasters, poverty, hunger and, now also the devastation of nature. Churches promise righteousness in the Second World, after man's death. However, here is also a great contradiction. On the one hand, life is considered the highest and most expensive gift, and on the other, it is called for reconciliation with all injustice, and for acceptance of suffering. It is not about dignified life, but rather about sadomasochism.

At the same time, the believer is constantly required to still bowing, self-humiliate himself and pray, which in turn borders on servility. That's the way a believer wants to redeem his possible sins. No Church has ever been and will not be just. It only cares about its power and influence, building its hierarchy and meaningless rituals. In exchange for their loyalty, it promises believers eternal life in heaven, it is a mere trade and not faith. The Church has privatized God and pretends to speak in His name. The true and only God has no priests or rituals. It is the only, supreme and absolute Justice for all without exception. The laws of cause and effect states that everyone must bear the consequences for his actions, whether he is an Atheist, a Christian, a Muslim, a Hindu or a Jew. The expressed regret will not remove the consequences of the crime.

Forgiveness of crimes would be arrogant injustice against victims. It is not possible to eliminate the consequences of crime either by confession, by prayer or by speech. Anyone who wants to, even after serving his righteous punishment, can show this regret. It is often argued that injustice exists because God gives free will to the people. But if that is the case, then people can judge for

themselves whether injustice is happening or not. At the same time, they want the consequences to be drawn for any injustice. Therefore, if God is truly righteous, he cannot arbitrarily choose who will be punished and who will not. Only lower beings, (but never God), can afford the misuse of power, arbitrariness, and vagaries. All normal people want them to finally take note of the rights of victims, not the rights of immoral criminals.

It is also possible that the teachings of Buddha are true. A person can become God, but he should accept responsibility for his actions. Absolute righteousness is still above God. If God decides arbitrarily, abuses his position and acts unjustly, he must be responsible for his actions. If he allows millions of innocent victims to be murdered on his behalf, then in the end such a God will fall to the bottom into hell.

Of great interest is the teaching of the Cathars operating in southern France in the 12th and 13th centuries AD. Most authors consider dualism to be an essential feature of the Cathars faith. Belief in the existence of two principles, good and evil, the first of which created the invisible and spiritual universe, including the souls trapped in the human body, while the other was a ruler of the material world. For that Satan is the creator and ruler of the visible World. This roughly corresponds to what is happening on Earth and has always happened. Egoism, greed, violence, dogmatism, corruption, arbitrariness, the arrogance of power and the total absence of elementary justice by the secular but also by the ecclesiastical authorities of this World.

At the beginning of February 2019, due to another disgusting scandal the Catholic Church was shaken. Pope Francis admitted that Catholic Priests and Bishops sexually abused nuns. They were forced to go to abortion or raise children whose fatherhood the priests refused to admit. The inability of Church leaders to intervene in allegations of sexual abuse is one of the greatest scandals in recent years that has hit the Roman Catholic Church worldwide. It is often argued that Jesus Christ is not responsible for the sins of the Catholic Church. But: According to the gospel, Christ said to his apostles: "**Whatever you bind on Earth will be bound in Heaven, and whatever you loose on Earth will be loosed in Heaven.**" Christ sanctified the Catholic Church and took personal responsibility for all the crimes committed by the Catholic Church on His behalf. The Church has always verbally presented her good intentions, but it is a pity that she rarely managed to fulfill them in practice. The saying goes: "**The road to hell is paved with good intentions**". The Catholic Church often speaks of Christ as the Lamb who takes away the sins of the World. However, it does not seem to be a Lamb, but it is a Wolf in the skin of a Lamb.

The main and essential task of any authority endowed with power (Ruler, Executive, God) is to establish and execute righteousness. Imagine a hypothetical situation, when the newly elected government would be say to its citizens, "*You have free will, so do what you want, but be careful, after a very long period, you will all be judged for your deeds.*" This is an absurd joke of all known Churches. In the five thousand years of known history of civilization on Earth none of the existing companies even brought justice. There have always been disputes, wars, crimes, and, moreover, diseases and natural disasters. He who died suddenly and at a young age could be happy. Who died old, left mostly disappointed, abandoned and in pain. If there really is hell, then it is our Earth, and everyone who prays to "Lord of Earth", prays to the Devil.

The technological possibilities of humanity are constantly growing, but its morale is declining. Injustice deepens as a few percent of the rich have 95 percent of the world's resources. The situation is getting worse and the World is on the verge of a military, economic, social and environmental crisis. If this World is over, all false Gods (in whose name millions have been killed) will also disappear, because without the material base, cult, rituals and priests, these Gods mean nothing. The true and only God, the true Ruler of the spiritual World, does not need priests and no rituals. He doesn't need to enforce people's love under the threat of

eternal hell, we've all enjoyed enough here on Earth. It is God without name and form, it is the Highest Justice, Love, Goodness and Understanding. Blood had never been spilled on his behalf. True respect and love for this God must emerge from the deepest inner conviction of man, not from compulsion, commands, and absolutly not from fear of eternal punishment.

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