

# My Questioning From Rome, Part 1

Wednesday June 15, 2022 AM/PM

- In 1984, I decisively acknowledged my sin nature, and received Jesus Christ as my saviour via **1Cor 15:3-4**
- I remained in the Roman Catholic Church (RCC) for ~3-4 years. **There are TRUE believers in the RCC!**
- But around 1985, I started really reading my Bible **Ps 119:130 Rom 10:17**.
- God reasons **Isa 1:18**. He is systematic **Isa 28:10**. He is not the author of confusion **1Cor 14:33**.

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- 1) **1Tim 3:1-5** Why are Bishops required to be married, but the RCC Forbids priests to be married?
- a. **1Tim 4:1-6** Why did Paul predict to Timothy that this (and more) would happen in later times?
  - b. **Mk 1:29-31** Why do the gospels say Peter had a wife? **Mt 8:14; Lk 4:38**
  - c. **Gal 2:7-9** Why does the RCC teach that Peter was the first pope in Rome, when Paul says that Peter was the Apostle to the circumcision (Jews), who are based in Jerusalem? Paul then says, that he himself was the Apostle to the Gentiles, and actually went to Rome! **Acts 28:16 Rom 1:7-11**

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- I was told by multiple priests that the RCC has a “double authority” system. The first authority is the Bible. The second authority is church tradition. Where there is a dispute, then the “Holy See” determines the priority. **Common sense reasoning: The DECIDER then is the true authority.** BUT consider **2Pet 1:20!**

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- 2) **Ps 119:160** What does the Bible say about the Bible? **Ps 119:89**
- 3) **Mk7:1-13** Esp. **v.9**, What did Jesus say about Traditions of Men, versus God’s words? **Mt 15:1-9**
- 4) **Mt 23:1-12** Why are priests called “Fathers” as a religious title? **Mt 21:28-31; 10:35-37**
- 5) **Rev 2:6, 12-15** Why does God hate the deeds & doctrine of the Nicolaitans\*?  
*\* (“conquering of laity by clergy”)?*

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## My Questioning [which led me away] from [the Church of] Rome

- It’s one thing if it’s just a few contradictions, but even that is hard to swallow. In this case the contradictions are systemic, and **this is just the tip of the iceberg!**
- Also BEWARE of complicated “explanations” vs. Simple written truth.
- Do you really want to know the TRUTH in Reality, Life, and the Universe, including the TRUE God/Creator and YOUR TRUE PURPOSE in life?  
**Heb 11:6** Seek diligently.  
**Acts 17:11** Seek daily.  
**John 5:39** Search the scriptures.  
**2Tim 2:15** Study to be approved unto God and NOT ashamed!  
**Acts 24:14** Always believe what you read over hearsay. God’s word is clear, and He is not out to trick you.

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**John 8:32** *“And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”*

**Rev 18:4** *“Come out of her, my people, and partake not of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.”*