THE TIME IS AT HAND

Studies in the Scriptures, Volume II

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| Chapter: | Study IX, THE MAN OF SIN—ANTICHRIST (B267) |
| Most Recent Subtitle: | The Head And Mouth Of Antichrist His Great Swelling Words (B304) |
| Time (Seattle): | 7:00-8:15 PM (Wednesday) |
| Time (Philippines): | 10:00 AM-11:15 PM (Thursday) |

## REVIEW FROM LAST WEEK

Last week we read B319–B322 and considered questions Q80 thru Q89.

* We began by considering what it meant for the Papacy to have “proscribed” the Bible and how it came to be that the Scriptures should be “clothed in sackcloth” (Revelation 11:3).
* We then looked the effect made on this error by the invention of the printing press.
* We saw how the papacy responded to those who translated the Bible into common languages and how they tried to reassert their proscription of the Bible as the general population began to read it.
* Included in our discussion was how the papacy reacted to the formation of Bible Societies during the early 1800’s. We discussed the goal of those societies, and the papal attempts to counter them—which all led them to the “farsighted policy” of publishing of an approved Catholic Bible of their own.
* The policy was considered “farsighted” because papacy realized that it was not the Bible that the people desired, but the liberty to possess the Bible.
* Thus they allowed the Bible to (theoretically) be read by all, yet most gained little of its enlightening influence.

This week, we begin our reading on B323 with the third “grievous error”—the doctrine of the “inherent immortality of man”.

## START POINT — Wednesday, October 11, 2023

##### B323.1

(Q90) What is the doctrine of the “inherent immortality of man” and why is it considered one of the grievous error of the Papacy? What harm does it do? (B323.1)

##### B323.2 – B324.1

(Q91) What is the doctrine of purgatory? Why was it added? How did it give the papacy a firmer hold on the people? (B323.2)

(Q92) What was the Mass supposed to accomplish—and why hold a Mass for the dead? (B324.1)

##### B324.2 – B325.1

(Q93) What is an “indulgence”? How do they work? (B324.2)

(Q94) What is the difference between an indulgence and a license to sin? (B325.1)

##### B325.2 – B326.2

(Q95) What did one need to be done in order to gain an indulgence? (B325.2)

(Q96) Why did the Papacy wish to perpetuate this fraud? (B325.3)

(Q97) What effect did the general use of indulgences have on society? (B326.2)

##### B326.3 – B328.3

(Q98) How did the sale of indulgences lead to the Protestant Reformation? (B326.3)

(Q99) Who was John Tetzel and why was he selling indulgences? (B327.1)

(Q100) Does the Papacy still give out indulgences? (B328.3)