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Facts Concerning Vatican City

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Facts concerning the Vatican is:

- It is believed Emperor Constantine began construction of the original basilica (the church building that has been given special privileges by the Pope) over the tomb of the apostle Peter, who the Roman Catholic Church, believe was the first Pope.
- It is called a city, but it is too small to be classed as a city for it has only a little over 900 people living inside.
- It is a sovereign state with his own army, currency (euro), embassies and passport.
- It is a country and state, located entirely within the city.
- It is the headquarters of the Roman Catholic Church, with over one billion adherents worldwide.
- It is internationally recognized, even though the country boundaries and territories are located entirely within the city of Rome.
- It is the home to approximately 900 full-time residents who maintain passports from their home country.
- It is a city with its own diplomats.
- It is a state with approximately 3000 people working at Vatican City who commute into the country from the greater Roman metropolitan area.
- It is a country that regulates foreign and domestic trade, issues money and has an organized economy and its own economic activity.
- It is a city that generates a vast income from sale of postage stamps, tourist mementos, fees for admission to museums, and the sale of Vatican and church publications.
- It is a church that promotes its religious education worldwide.
- It has a government that provides public services and police power, while electricity, telephones, and other utilities are provided by Italy.
- Its internal police power is the Swiss Guards, and the external defence of it against foreign enemies is the responsibility of Italy.
- It is a city with its own sovereignty and power over its country and territory.
- It is recognized internationally as a national territory under international law, and the Pope and his advisers are recognized as the only accepted authority to direct the worldwide Roman Catholic Church.
- It is an independent State, and not a member of the United Nations, but rather an observer. The Holy See maintains formal diplomatic relations with 174 nations and maintains 106 permanent diplomatic missions to nation-states around the world.
- Its religion is recognized as the official religion in Rome.

- The Roman Catholic Papal Church, resides in the Vatican.
- Its Popes' bishops, cardinals and priests are the central power of Rome.
- It is the smallest country in the world, and independent city-state, covering just over 100 acres, encircled by a two-mile border with Italy.
- It is governed as an absolute monarchy with the Pope at its head and mints its own euros, prints its own stamps, issues passports and license plates, operates media outlets and has its own flag and anthem.
- It has no taxation and its museum admission fees, stamp and souvenir sales, and contributions add to its revenue.

As the founder of Bible House of Grace, I would like to thank the many Christian scholars, commentators and theologians who have gone before me, and the many today, who have freely made available their works to enhance the knowledge of the Bible to all people worldwide. It is only with the help of these faithful writers that much of Bible House of Grace exists as it does today.

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