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During the early rise of the Roman Papal Church many faithful Christians who refused to accept its authority and teachings were imprisoned, tortured, and killed, and during its following years there was always:

- Strong contention between Protestants and the Papal Roman Church.
- Unwavering anti-Catholic bigotry of Protestant toward Roman Catholics and vice versa.
- Great distrust and distain between protestant churches and the Roman Catholic Church.
- Protestants churches regularly teaching to their congregations the errors of the Roman Catholic Church.

John XXIII (1958) and the Vatican II Council changed the face and altered the image of the Papal Roman Church, from one of deception, Scriptural error, and suspicion to that of love and social justice. Prior to this anti-Catholic feelings were so strong amongst voters in America that many predicted it would be foolish for a major political party to field a Roman Catholic presidential candidate. Thirty years later the ecumenical climate was so favourable, because Pope John XXIII had so greatly changed the Papal image that John Kennedy, a Roman Catholic, not only received his party's endorsement but won the presidency.

In the 1980s, Protestant Ronald Reagan correctly perceiving the growing popularity of the Papacy in America used it to increase his prospects of re-election amongst voters by meeting with Pope John Paul II, in Fairbanks, Alaska. A few decades earlier, such a meeting would have almost certainly doomed his re-election prospects. Added to this there was very little opposition to President Reagans move to re-establish full diplomatic relations with the Papacy. From this time forward the relationship between the Papacy and Washington has so dramatically changed that, American presidents now commonly visit the pope.

For decades the relentless advances of atheistic communism, had engulfed almost half the population of the world, and seemed to be an irresistible force that threatened to envelop the whole planet. Communism's advances were so spectacular that most overlooked the steady resurgence of the Papacy. Only those who continued to diligently search Scriptural prophecy understood that it was not communism, but Catholicism that would be the major "player" in the events culminating in the return of Jesus. As communism was being dismantled in Eastern Europe, the religious world was relentlessly pursuing union, between the Roman Papal Church and faithful believers who hold fast to the true teachings of Christ. It could be correctly stated, from this time forward the stage is being prepared for a one world religion and the great and final test of loyalty to God. 0

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.