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### MORE APOLOGIES, YET POPYRY UNCHANGED. TIME TO IDENTIFY WOLVES IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING & RESCUE LAMBS

1. Note: Revelation 13:1-10 reveals the identification marks of Popery. Verses one and two show that the leopard is used to represent the Papacy.

2. What is significant about the leopard? Jeremiah 13:23

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3. Note: The Papacy is accustomed to do evil, it will not change according to Bible prophecy.

4. Read carefully the following words from the Lord's messenger.

"The Roman Church now presents a fair front to the world, **covering with apologies her record of horrible cruelties**. She has clothed herself in Christlike garments; **but she is unchanged.**" {GC 571.1}

5a. Note: The following news reports show that the Papacy began to apologize to the world for her horrible cruelties in the year 2000 to the present.

5b. **"Pope John Paul II Makes Unprecedented Apology For Sins of Catholic Church...Pope John Paul II led church leaders and followers in sweeping confession, seeking repentance for sins that may have been committed over the past 2,000 years in the name of the church...They fell into seven general categories of wrongs which include, without being too specific, everything from the Crusades to the Inquisition, the forced conversions, to sins against women and anti- Jewish acts. It was a first for the church."** <http://www.cnn.com/TRANSCRIPTS/0003/12/sm.06.html>

5c. **The Biggest Apology for Christian Persecution of Other Christians Ever... "Pope Francis offered them to both the Waldensians and the Pentecostals for past Catholic persecution of Protestants...The heads of the delegation of the Catholic Church proposed that any call to stop persecution of Christian should mention first that also Christians in history have persecuted other religions and other churches... 'We are glad that repentance for persecuting each other is part of our message,' he said. 'We see the importance of healing memories wherever this has happened.'"** <http://www.christianitytoday.com/gleanings/2015/december/biggest-apology-christian-persecution-global-forum-albania.html>

5d. **"Vatican document represents important step towards repenting past sins against Jews"** <http://ncronline.org/blogs/small-catholic/vatican-document-represents-important-step-towards-repenting-past-sins>

6. What does the Lord's messenger say, even though Popery is apologizing to the world for its crimes? \_\_\_\_\_

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"The Roman Church now presents a fair front to the world, covering with apologies her record of horrible cruelties. She has clothed herself in Christlike garments; but she is unchanged. Every principle of the papacy that existed in past ages exists today. The doctrines devised in the darkest ages are still held. Let none deceive themselves. The papacy that Protestants are now so ready to honor is the same that ruled the world in the days of the Reformation, when men of God stood up, at the peril of their lives, to expose her iniquity. She possesses the same pride and arrogant assumption that lorded it over kings and princes, and claimed the prerogatives of God. Her spirit is no less cruel and despotic now than when she crushed out human liberty and slew the saints of the Most High." {GC 571.1}

7. What is one of the reasons why Popery is now apologizing for its crimes against humanity? \_\_\_\_\_

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The papacy is just what prophecy declared that she would be, the apostasy of the latter times. 2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4. **It is a part of her policy to assume the character which will best accomplish her purpose;** but beneath the variable appearance of the chameleon she conceals the invariable venom of the serpent. "Faith ought not to be kept with heretics, nor persons suspected of heresy" (Lenfant, volume 1, page 516), she declares. Shall this power, whose record for a thousand years is written in the blood of the saints, be now acknowledged as a part of the church of Christ? {GC 571.2}

8. Note: The actions of Judas Iscariot in betraying Jesus represent the actions of Popery today. Judas spoke words to Jesus in public to cover his satanic motives. See Matthew 26:47-50. Furthermore, he declared that he betrayed innocent blood. See Matthew 27:3,4.

9a. The following news reports show that Popery is doing similar things as did Judas.

**"Pope Francis to Jewish Leaders: From Enemies and Strangers, We Have Become Friends and Brothers"** <http://aleteia.org/2015/10/28/pope-francis-to-jewish-leaders-from-enemies-and-strangers-we-have-become-friends-and-brothers/>

9b. "World expects Religions to work together for peace, pope says" <http://www.catholicnews.com/services/englishnews/2015/pope-says-world-expects-believers-to-work-together-for-peace.cfm>

9c. "Pope Francis: 'Christians and Muslims are brothers and sisters'" <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-africa-34960971>

9d. "Pope Francis Becomes First Pope to Visit Pentecostal Church; Calls Evangelicals His 'Brothers'" <http://www.christianpost.com/news/pope-francis-becomes-first-pope-to-visit-pentecostal-church-calls-evangelicals-his-brothers-123973/>

10. Note: The above news reports, in the context of the words of inspiration, show that Pope Francis is a wolf in sheep's clothing.

"Pope wears sheepskin mitre at mass...During the Chrism Mass on Holy Thursday, [Pope] Francis said a pastor must have 'the smell of sheep'. Since then, Bishop Pante, from Belluno, Italy, had the idea of giving the Pope a mitre made from sheepskin. The Pope wore it for the mass in Nairobi." <http://www.lastampa.it/2015/11/26/vaticaninsider/eng/the-vatican/pope-wears-sheepskin-mitre-at-mass-XEKd9g2WsHvQneq0HemslL/pagina.html>

11. What was Jesus' instruction to the disciples? Matthew 10:16 \_\_\_\_\_

12. Note: The purpose of Jesus sending His sheep, His disciples, among wolves is to rescue the lambs.

13. Note: The following is the message and our mission in these last days to rescue the lambs from the wolves in sheep's clothing. Revelation 14:6-12 and Revelation 18:4.

14. What does Jesus say will happen to His messengers who go forth to rescue the lambs from the wolves in sheep's clothing? Matthew 10:17,18 \_\_\_\_\_

15a. Note: Pope Francis is presently putting things in place to stop God's messengers from rescuing the sheep from the wolves in sheep's clothing.

**Pope Francis Calls On Christian Leaders 'To Overcome Proselytism And Competition' Pope Francis has laid out his formula for fostering Christian unity: resist competing for souls and make concrete gestures of acceptance and dialogue. He also cautioned about "subtle theoretical discussions in which each side tries to convince the other."** [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/01/27/pope-francis-proselytism\\_n\\_6547036.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/01/27/pope-francis-proselytism_n_6547036.html)

15b. "Paris attacks: Pope Francis says freedom of speech has limits...The pontiff told journalists his assistant could expect a punch if he cursed his mother [his church, the Roman Catholic church]" <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-30835625>

16. Note: Wolves in sheep's clothing are also within the Seventh-day Adventist Denomination. The following will confirm that fact. There were wolves in sheep's clothing during the ministry of Jesus to the Jewish church.

17. How are the wolves in sheep's clothing identified? Ezekiel 22:26,27 \_\_\_\_\_

18a. Note: The following news reports show that there are wolves in sheep's clothing also within the Seventh-day Adventist Denomination.

18b. "Huntsville First Seventh-day Adventist Church Offers Sunday Services, Starting This Weekend" <http://spectrummagazine.org/article/2015/02/06/huntsville-first-seventh-day-adventist-church-offers-sunday-services-starting-wee>

18c. "Pastor Debleaire Snell states that the mark of the beast is just lawlessness and not the Sunday Law" <http://www.pastorsleadership.org/media/>

18d. The One Project Movement" Alex Bryan, wolf in sheep's clothing <http://thegreatcontroversy.info/concerns-regarding-alex.html>

18e. "Although it is true that there was a period in the life of the Seventh-day Adventist Church when the denomination took a distinctly anti-Roman Catholic viewpoint...that attitude on the church's part was nothing more than a manifestation of widespread anti-popery among conservative Protestant denominations in the early part of this century and the latter part of the last, and which has now been consigned to the historical trash heap so far as the Seventh-day Adventist Church is concerned." (Neal C. Wilson, past president of the Seventh-day Adventist General Conference, Court Transcript of United States vs the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission vs the Pacific Press Publishing Association and the General Conference, Reply Brief for Defendants, p 4, Civil Case #74-2025 CBR, presided over by Judge Charles B. Renfrew, U.S. District Court, San Francisco, California, 1974-1975.) <http://www.sdadefend.com/Defend-foundation/popemedi.htm>

18f. "Seventh-day Adventist faction from Tennessee mailed an unknown number of anti-Catholic booklets (primarily composed of quotations from the book, Great Controversy) the week of July 8 to homes in Indianapolis, where 2,000 (delegates) gathered for the denomination's 55th world convention, July 6-14. 'Shirley Burton, a spokesperson for the denomination, told the Indianapolis Star daily newspaper the tract was 'trash.' The pamphlet, United States in Prophecy, calls Catholicism a pagan religion and refers to the pope as a beast.'" <http://www.sdadefend.com/Defend-foundation/popemedi.htm>

19. Who were the wolves in sheep's clothing during Jesus earthly ministry, fulfilling the words of Matthew 10:16?

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**Christ said to His disciples: "Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves." Matthew 10:16. Satan's attacks against the advocates of the truth will wax more bitter and determined to the very close of time. As in Christ's day the chief priests and rulers stirred up the people against Him, so today the religious leaders will excite bitterness and prejudice against the truth for this time. The people will be led to acts of violence and opposition which they would never have thought of had they not been imbued with the animosity of professed Christians against the truth. {9T 239.1}**

20. The following scriptures show that Jesus had a burden to rescue His sheep from the wolves in sheep's clothing. Read carefully. Compare Luke 13:31-34 with Song of Solomon 2:15; Matthew 15:9-14.

21. Who is Jesus looking for while the wolves in sheep's clothing are destroying the sheep? Ezekiel 22:26-28, 30 \_\_\_\_\_  
Read also Isaiah 58:12,13

22. How does Jesus say that the wolves in sheep's clothing will be identified? Matthew 7:15,20 \_\_\_\_\_

23. What did Paul say during the closing moments of his earthly ministry? Acts 20:28-30 \_\_\_\_\_

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24. What instructions does Jesus give to His messengers in order to rescue the sheep from the wolves in sheep's clothing? Matthew 10:16 \_\_\_\_\_

25. Note: Being wise as serpents means to have the wisdom of Jesus. The serpent represents Satan (Revelation 12:7-9) and also Jesus (John 3:14; Numbers 21:8,9 and 2 Corinthians 5:21).

26. What should we do in order to receive the wisdom of Jesus to win souls? James 1:5 \_\_\_\_\_

27. Note: Being harmless as a dove means that we need the anointing and the power of the Holy Spirit to rescue the sheep from the wolves. The dove is a symbol of the Holy Spirit. See Genesis 8:11 and Matthew 3:16.

28. To receive the Holy Spirit, what does Jesus say? Luke 11:13 \_\_\_\_\_

29. What will happen to Jesus' messengers, who go forth to rescue the sheep from the wolves in sheep's clothing? Matthew 10:17,18 \_\_\_\_\_

30. Note: Jesus was that Sheep in midst of wolves. He went forth to rescue His sheep and lambs. See Isaiah 53:7. Jesus was persecuted and crucified by the wolves in sheep's clothing, because they did not want to be rescued or for the sheep to be rescued. See John 11:45-54.

31. What did Jesus say that the sheep must hear in order for them to follow Him and leave the wolves in sheep's clothing? John 10:16 \_\_\_\_\_

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32. What did the people say once they heard Jesus' teachings? Matthew 7:29 \_\_\_\_\_

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34. What does the Lord's messenger say on this point? \_\_\_\_\_

**The officers who were sent to take Jesus reported that never man spake like this man. But the reason of this was that never man lived like this man; for if he had not so lived, he could not so have spoken. His words bore with them a convincing power, because they came from a heart pure and holy, full of love and sympathy, beneficence and truth. There is eloquence beyond that of words, in the quiet, consistent life of a pure, true Christian. We shall have temptations as long as we are in this world, but instead of injuring us, they will only turn to our advantage, if resisted. The bounds are placed where Satan cannot pass. He may prepare the furnace, but instead of working injury, it will only consume the dross, and bring forth the gold of the character, purer than before the trial. {GW92 244.1}**

35. Jesus spoke as one having authority. The scribes did not speak as having authority. The sheep followed Jesus. What does it mean that Jesus spoke as one having authority? Luke 4:36 \_\_\_\_\_

36. Note: Jesus' messages led to victory over sin, because He was experiencing the victory. The scribes, the wolves, did not have this experience.

37. What does Jesus give to His messengers? Luke 9:1,2 \_\_\_\_\_

38. What do they need so that the sheep will follow them, as they follow Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

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