Debout Resplendis



AS A SHIELD, YOUR FAVOR CROWNS THE JUST! PSALM 5

Quotes from official Catholic teaching on justification

- "...for 'all have sinned and have need of the glory of God' (Rom. 3:23). By himself and by his own power, no one is freed from sin or raised above himself, or completely rid of...his servitude." (Vatican II: Decree on the Missionary Activity of the Church, 8)
- "The universal design for the salvation of the human race is not... achieved merely through those multiple endeavors, including religious ones, by which men search for God...." (Vatican II: Decree on the Missionary Activity of the Church, 3)
- "...for as sinners they [all persons] stand under God's judgment and are incapable of turning by themselves to God to seek deliverance, of meriting their justification before God or of attaining salvation by their own abilities." (Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification, 19)
- "Through Christ alone are we justified, when we receive this salvation in faith." (Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification, 16)
- "Whatever in the justified precedes or follows the free gift of faith is neither the basis of justification nor merits it." (Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification, 25)
- "Justification takes place 'by grace alone'; by faith alone the person is justified 'apart from works' (Rom. 3:28)." (Annex to the Official Common Statement on the Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification, 2C)
- "...thus it becomes clear that the mutual condemnations of former times do not apply to the Catholic and Lutheran doctrines of justification as they are presented in the Joint Declaration." (Annex to the Official Common Statement on the Joint Declaration

on the Doctrine of Justification, 1)