

Saint Robert Bellarmine, SJ, Bishop, Defender of The Faith
Doctor of The Church (1542 – 1621 AD)



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"Born in 1542 in Montepulciano in Tuscany [Italy], Robert entered the Jesuits and was assigned to the chair of apologetics at the Jesuit Roman college.

His... [knowledgeable] lectures on the defense of The Faith against the Reformation thinkers, published as "On The Controversies," were assumed by many to be the work of a team of Jesuit scholars.

In the century following its publication, over two hundred Protestant authors composed responses to it. Robert, in his writings, patiently laid out his opponents' arguments; in his prayer, he begged for their conversion.

He was canonized in 1930. A year later Pope Pius XI named Robert a Doctor of The Church, calling him the "Prince of Apologists." *

I TIMOTHY 6:3-13

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3C9zPUG_VCs&list=RD08JSCEHR-p8&index=13

3 If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even The Words of our Lord JESUS CHRIST, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness;

4 He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,

5 Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of The Truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.

6 But godliness with contentment is great gain.

7 For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.

8 And having food and raiment let us be therewith content.

9 But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

10 For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from The Faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

11 But thou, O man of GOD, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

13 I give thee charge in The Sight of GOD, Who quickeneth all things, and before CHRIST JESUS, Who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession;

* ["Saint Robert Bellarmine." The Magnificat, 9/17/2021. Memorial, p 249-250.]