

Title: The Reformation Today

Scripture: Romans 3:22-24

Occasion: Sunday, October 29, 2017 (Reformation Sunday)

Intro: 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation

1. 16<sup>th</sup> Century Church's Spiritual Condition

A. The Pope = "Vicar of Christ"

B. Purgatory

1. Good Works

2. Prayers to Saints

3. Indulgences

2. Trouble in Paradise

A. Pope Leo X

B. John Tetzel

C. Martin Luther

3. Reformation or Rebirth

A. "I Can't Recant"

B. Reluctant New Church

1. Sola Gratia

2. Sola Fide

3. Sola Scriptura

4. Ongoing Reformation

A. Roman Pitfalls

1. Money

2. Good Works Mindset

B. Not Abiding in God's Word