

-THE AT-ONE-MENT BETWEEN GOD AND MAN- THE UNDEFILED ONE

“The Roman Catholic Church in its doctrine of “The Immaculate Conception” of Mary, attempts to establish faith in our Lord’s mother, as immaculate, spotless, perfect; and thus to prove that Jesus could be born pure and separate from sinners: but this is not our claim. We admit that our Lord’s mother was a member of Adam’s race, in the same sense as all other members of it—that her life was derived from the Adamic stock, that she inherited human weaknesses and blemishes and unavoidably was, like all others, under the sentence of death. We claim that “the *man* Christ Jesus” was an exception—the only exception.”

—STUDY IV: THE MEDIATOR OF THE ATONEMENT, p. E98.—

‘It is nearly [170] years since Pope Pius IX. decreed the dogma of the Immaculate Conception of our Lord’s mother....

The dogma of the Virgin’s immaculate conception is not only contrary to the Word of God—that condemnation passed upon *all* of Adam’s posterity—but it reflects against the divine character and plan thus: If God *could* justly and properly so arrange that one of Adam’s race should be born sinless he might have done the same for us all. And if our birth in sin is God’s fault, to that extent he is responsible for all the deformity, mental and physical, with which we are born. In that event Christ’s death as the *ransom-price* for Adamic sin was unnecessary. Let God be true—let his Word stand, though it make every creed and dogma of men appear foolish.’

—VIEW’S FROM THE TOWER, A NEW DOGMA: “THE ASSUMPTION” OF VIRGIN MARY; R3329: page 71—

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The Aranjuez Immaculate Conception
by
Bartolome Esteban Murillo, c.1678.



The Ascension by Rembrandt, 1636.



Simeon with the Infant Jesus by Benjamin West, c.1796.

