Articulus Stantis et Cadentis Ecclesiae.¹

Five Solae2: Solā fide²



Fides, fidei is a 5th declension noun (we have only learned the 1st declension so far) and *fide* is the ablative singular form – "with, from or by faith." For this week's Bible lesson read this article: <u>https://www.gotquestions.org/sola-fide.html</u>

Exercise:

1. *Solā fide* is a key teaching that divides biblical Christianity from false religions. What do all false religions and distortions of Christianity say should be added to or mixed with faith, in order that the sinner should be saved?

2. What is the true relationship between faith and works?

3. Explain what the difference is between the basis of Biblical Christianity and other religions.

Answers on the following page.

¹ The article by which the church stands or falls. Martin Luther speaking of Justification by faith alone.

² By faith alone.

Answers:

1. All false religions and distortions of Christianity say works should be added to or mixed with faith, in order that the sinner should be saved.

2. Good works are the result and evidence of faith.

3. Biblical Christianity is centred on what God has accomplished through Jesus Christ. Other religions are based on human achievement.