

There is a good deal of misapprehension in Protestant circles concerning ~~that~~ the attitude of the Roman Church to the Scriptures. There are two errors² which we must ~~insist~~ avoid. First, the common error of assuming that the Roman view is the old view. The Church of Rome gets great ¹⁻ from presenting herself as the "old religion". You find that intelligent Protestants, of whom I regret to say there are a ~~very~~ large number, who talk about the Catholic Church. I find that it has become a common place in this community. I hope that you will not transgress in that way.

I used to tell my Roman Catholic friends when I was working with them. I spent a great many years in work among Roman ~~and~~ Catholics, but I'm a better Catholic than the Pope. You may say it is quite unimportant whether I call ~~Roman~~ Roman Catholics "Catholics" or "Roman Catholics". It is not unimportant. Because they ~~are~~ using the title as an instrument to commend their religion. Now we try to be cautious. That is a Christian duty. Very often in the breach rather than in the observance even among people who call themselves fundamentalists like myself. But we must not allow our courtesy to carry us ^{concede} beyond the bounds of truth. I ~~can see~~ as a matter of courtesy the term

"Catholic" to my Roman brethren because they have certain Catholic principles. They believe in the trinity. They believe very firmly in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ. They believe in the atoning sacrifice of our Lord as the only hope of salvation for the sinner. I'm very thankful for these things. I share their beliefs. Therefore in courtesy I can confer the title "Catholic" upon them. But if I described them as entirely Catholic, then I am prejudicing my own position. Being an Anglican, I repeat every Sunday, "I believe in the holy Catholic Church," and I don't fall into the error of an old north^{of} Ireland woman who when her clergyman repeated the creed for her said, "I won't say that. I believe in the holy Protestant Church." So as I believe in the holy Catholic Church and regard myself as a Catholic, I must introduce some