

would move in a Protestant direction. All of this was rigidly excluded now and it was possible now to have a banner and a war-cry with which the Jesuits could go out and draw a sharp line across Europe, across which Protestant propaganda could no longer penetrate. And the Council of Trent was the foundation of the Roman Catholic Church as we know it today. And it was a foundation which was the work of the Jesuits and could never have been done without them. And this in turn is a foundation for their subsequent work because the Jesuits went all after this to win back the various countries. Austria was perhaps three-fourths Protestant at this time and it was entirely wiped out by the approbity of the Jesuits. Poland was perhaps half Protestant and it was 90% of Poland won back, maybe 95%. France was more than a third Protestant at this time. It took longer ~~ix~~ to win France back but eventually France was only 2% Protestant - it took another century and a half to do that but they succeeded in doing it. They won back all the southern part of Germany completely which had been almost thoroughly shot through with Protestant ideas and was just on the verge of becoming completely Protestant. And you might say in some ways it was small incidents that prevented them from winning back England and the Scandanavian countries. Mr. Sutton, you have a question? (Student question)

Yes. I do not think the problem can be settled without recognizing this fact. But this is a world into which sin has come. This is a world which has fallen into the dominion of Satan and Satan is determined (whom Christ called the Prince of this world) to keep it and to hold it. Now the power of God is far greater than the power of Satan. They are not two equals striving for control - not at all. God permits Satan his domain and his control in this world but anyone of us can escape from Satan's control by looking to God and receiving salvation through Christ and seeking to follow Him, anyone of us can escape. But if we not seek to escape from Satan, we fall further back into his clutches