

ten promises that Christ's church shall never be corrupted by errors in matters of faith, much less to be for so many ages overwhelmed with abominable idolatry, must be false. "Thou art Peter (says our Lord, Matt. 16. v. 18.) and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell, (the powers of darkness), shall not prevail against it." Therefore the church of Christ could never go astray. "Going teach all nations, (says the same Lord to the apostles and successors, the pastors of the church, Matt. 28. v. 20.) and behold I am with you always even to the consummation of the world." Therefore the church of Christ, could never fall into errors, because Christ, who is "the way, the truth, and the life," John, 14. v. 6, has promised his presence and assistance to her teachers, even to the end of the world; see also John 14. v. 10, 17. where Christ promises to the same pastors and teachers of the church, "*the comforter, the spirit of truth, to abide with them for ever, to teach them all things, v. 26. and guide them into all truth, chap. 16. v. 13.*" And Isaias, 59. v. 20, 21. where God promises that after the coming of our Redeemer, the church shall never err. "*This is my covenant with them, saith the Lord, my spirit, that is in thee, and my words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the Lord; from henceforth and for ever.*"

See also the infallibility of the church of Christ, Ps. 72. v. 5, 7. Ps. 89. v. 3, 4, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37. Isaias, 9. v. 6. 7. Chap. 60. v. 11, 12, 25, 26. Chap. 62. v. 6. Jeremias, 31. v. 36, 37. Chap. 33. v. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21. Ezekiel, 37. v. 16. Ephes. 4. v. 11, 12, 13, 14. Chap. 5. v. 23, 24. 1 Tim. 3. v. 14, 15.

3. Because the first foundation of the Protestant religion, was laid by an unsupportable pride, in one man, viz. Luther, who is acknowledged to have been in the beginning all alone, his presuming to stand out against the whole church of God; therefore instead of following him, or the religion invented by him, we ought by