

Therefore that lamb was called the passover. Thus, according to the same figure of speech, the body of Christ was not to be eaten, nor could any one drink His blood, but the bread was to be eaten which represented His body, and this bread was then called His body, for the same reason and by the same rules of speech that the lamb was called the passover. Though it was not the passover, it represented it. It is in the same way, and according to the same use of language, that when we look at a marble statue of Queen Victoria, we say, "That is Queen Victoria." We are aware that it is not at all Queen Victoria, but merely a representation of her.

(3) I shall never return to the Roman Catholic religion, because all the bishops and all the priests of the Church of Rome are obliged to perjure themselves every time they explain a text of Holy Scripture. Yes, though I am using, in thus speaking, very hard and strong language, I am telling the bare truth. Since the day when he swore, at his ordination, only to interpret the Holy Scriptures according to the unanimous consent of the holy fathers, the priest has rarely preached on a Bible text without being guilty of perjury. For, after having attentively studied the holy fathers, I am ready to prove that they are only unanimous on one single point, which is to differ as to almost every single text which they have commented upon in their writings. For example—a priest cannot say without perjuring himself, that when Christ said to Peter, "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My Church," He was