

or enjoined by our Saviour and his Apostles.

From all which this Consequence may be drawn; that as the Church of Rome does not Practice, that anointing of the Sick, which is mentioned in the Gospel, and yet would take it very ill to be judged on that amount no true Member of the universal Church: And as anointing the Sick in any Sense whatever was undoubtedly discontinued for a long Time by the whole Church; which Discontinuance however did not unchurch them; so allowing ever so much the Propriety of reviving this Rite, yet not doing so cannot cut off the Church of England from being as real a Member of the universal one, as Rome may be, notwithstanding its totally departing from the original Design in the Institution of this Rite; or more than the primitive one ceased to be a Church; notwithstanding its intirely dropping and discontinuing this Rite for two or three hundred Years.

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