

59. Order of the Decrees

Supralapsarian (Limited Atonement)	Infralapsarian (Limited Atonement)	Armyrdian (Unlimited Atonement)	Lutheran	Wesleyan	Roman Catholic
Creation of man with a view to electing some to eternal life and damning others to eternal perdition	Permission of fall of man results in guilt, corruption, total inability.	Permission of fall of man results in corruption, guilt, moral inability.	Permission of fall of man results in guilt, corruption, total inability.	Permission of fall of man results in guilt, corruption, total inability.	Permission of fall of man results in loss of supernatural righteousness.
Permission of fall of man results in guilt, corruption, total inability	Election of some to life in Christ	Gift of Christ to render salvation possible to all	Gift of Christ to render satisfaction for sins of world	Gift of Christ to render satisfaction for sins of world	Gift of Christ to render satisfaction for all human sins
Gift of Christ to redeem the elect	Gift of Christ to redeem the elect	Election of some for gift of moral ability	Gift of means of grace to communicate saving grace	Remission of original sin to all and gift of sufficient grace to all	Institution of church, the sacraments, to apply satisfaction of Christ
Gift of the Holy Spirit to save the re-deemed	Gift of the Holy Spirit to save the re-deemed	Gift of the Holy Spirit to work moral ability in the elect	Predestination to life of those who do not resist the means of grace	Predestination of life of those who improve sufficient grace	Application of satisfaction of Christ through sacraments, under operation of second causes
Sanctification of all the redeemed and regenerated	Sanctification of all the redeemed and regenerated	Sanctification by the Spirit	Sanctification through the means of grace	Sanctification of all who cooperate with sufficient grace	Building up in holy life of all to whom the sacraments are communicated

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Causes of the Fall of Rome

The Fall of the Roman Empire

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1. Large and expensive military
2. Military service falling upon the poor
3. Growing military budgets in order to retain the goodwill of the generals
4. Urban welfare rolls financially supported by rural farmers
5. Heavy property taxes impoverishing small farmers
6. Excessive taxation leading to tax dodging
7. Debased money leading to inflation
8. 175 days per year given up for public shows
9. Wealthy avoiding public service in order to pursue a life of leisure
10. Two systems of “justice” — one for the rich and one for the poor
11. Loss of personal freedom resulting in stifled initiative
12. A bloated and corrupt bureaucracy
13. The ruling class losing contact with their constituents
14. Ethnic disunity brought about by the Romans disdain for the Germanic tribes, whom they considered as racially inferior