

Faith Unyielding

Early Lutherans called for a free council of the church where the theological divisions of the day might be addressed. The Smalcald Articles, written by Luther, were drafted in anticipation of just such a council. Whatever else might be up for debate, however, Luther was clear that the doctrine of justification was not: “Nothing of this article can be yielded or surrendered, even though heaven and earth and everything else falls.”

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“We conclude that nothing more agreeable could happen or should be sought more eagerly and prayerfully from almighty God than [that] our churches and our schools should persevere in the pure doctrine of God’s Word and in that longed-for and godly oneness of mind.”

- Preface to the Book of Concord

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Apology

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