

THE UNALTERED AUGSBURG CONFESSION

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1. because
2. in so far as
3. A *quatenus* subscription doesn't give the church member any real assurance that the minister will preach the truth found in the Book of Concord. The member doesn't know which doctrines are held and which aren't. But a *quia* subscription actually gives a standard or rule, that is derived from the Word of God.
4. The Historical Critical Method of interpretation used by non-Confessional Lutherans consider the Bible to be a human book, which in its entirety is neither inspired nor inerrant. The Book of Concord confesses an inspired and inerrant text which can be used to judge all teachers and teaching. Confessional Lutherans treat the Bible as entirely the divine Word of God.
5. "For," said Melancthon, "many enthusiasts were roaming about at that time, each, in turn, spreading new silly nonsense, and others. And such tormenting spirits are not lacking at any time." A doctrinal pledge, Melancthon furthermore explained, was necessary "in order correctly to acknowledge God and call upon Him to preserve harmony in the Church, and to bridle the audacity of such as invent new doctrines."

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