

# The Protestant Reformation

Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Unit 4, Session 16**.

Saint Angela Merici is recognized for finding a new way for women to serve God in the Church. She founded the Order of Saint Ursula and encouraged the sisters to use gentleness over force.

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The Protestant Reformation was a movement that sought to reform the beliefs and practices of the Roman Catholic Church.

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Martin Luther posted 95 theses to the door of a church in Wittenberg, Germany. Luther challenged the practice of offering a lesser temporal punishment for an exchange of indulgences. Through his denial of Church teaching, he helped found a new branch of Christianity called Protestantism.

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While Luther believed that faith alone was sufficient for Salvation, the Church believed that both faith and works are necessary.

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John Calvin's doctrine states that some humans, called the elect, are created for heaven.

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During the Protestant Reformation, groups broke away from the Catholic Church and formed new Protestant denominations, including Lutheran, Anabaptist, Presbyterian, Anglican, and Puritan.

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Actual grace helps us make choices according to God's will. It is the freely given gift of God. Sanctifying grace is the gift of God that is given to us without our earning it.

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Free will gives us the ability to choose whether to respond to God's gift of Salvation by professing our belief in Christ and his Church.

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Purgatory is a process of purification before souls go to heaven. It is a fine-tuning of the soul.

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Particular judgment happens at the time of our death when we are judged based on how willing we were to accept God's grace and how faithful we were to following Jesus. At the Last Judgment, everyone will come before Christ to account for the good that he or she has done.

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