

Review of: "Catholicity in thirteen words"

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The author Pablo Blanco makes an audacious attempt to synthesize in a few words, 13 words, a very generic vision of Catholicism, but perhaps it remains somewhat biased or short, given that more concepts could be included or his exposition could be reduced to a perfect number, for example, 12 terms.

As a critical appreciation with a view to possible improvements, I emphasize that these 13 words have hardly any connection among themselves, for example, the concepts of: creation, freedom, grace, covenant, Bible... and so on, could be linked or interconnected in a successive description, together with their critical apparatus or bibliographical quotations.

As for the revision of the grammatical and syntactic structure of some sentences and expressions:

I emphasize that he repeats numerous times the adversative conjunction "But", he should replace or exchange it for "Nevertheless" "If well" etc.

I suggest eliminating expressions such as "yin and yang" which are not Christian. The expression "Big Bang", can be replaced, in some occasions, by "big explosion", and "revealed books" by "books inspired" by God.

At the end of number 3 (Covenant), it could include, "At the end comes deliverance, through a man, whose name is Jesus". In number 6 (Easter) put a comma (,) in the phrase "... with sin, and even ...", eliminate the semicolon (.). In number 9 (Grace) add a conjunction "and", in the phrase "Grace is heaven on earth and is to taste eternal bliss", remove the period between "earth. It is...". In number 10 (Freedom), put a comma (,) between "God cannot. Because...", in the sentence: "If you do not want (so strong), God cannot, because without freedom you cannot love, and that is the only thing that God wants", not to break the sentence with a period, is grammatically incorrect.

Finally, it should be noted that this descriptive essay lacks a brief concluding reflection, where the author comments briefly on what this work has meant to him or what objectives he perceives he has achieved for his university students.

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