

Church, State and Politics: Cooperation or Protest? Today's Challenges in the Light of Zürcher Reformation



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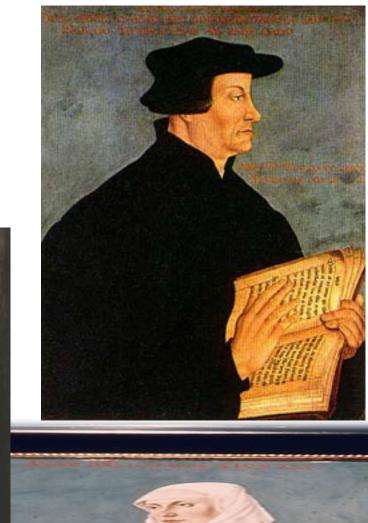
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Huldreich Zwingli (1484-1531)













Zwingli(1484-1531)

Luther (1483-1546)





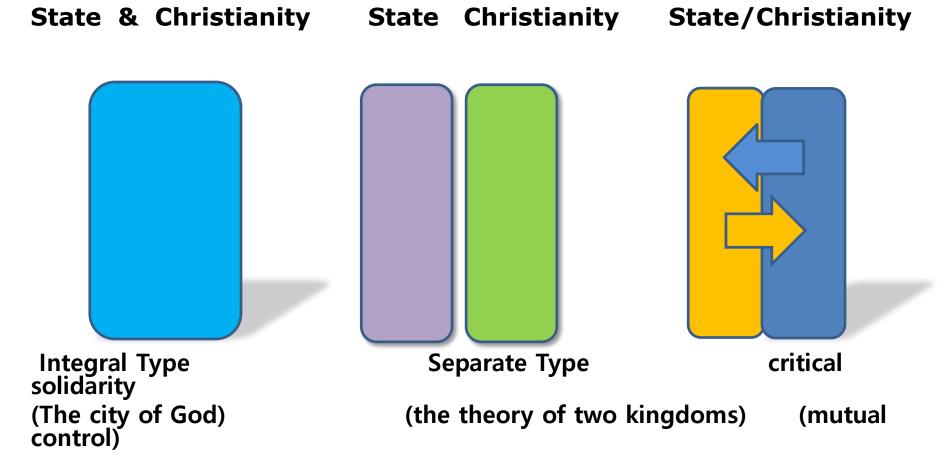




Anabaptist K. Grebel(1498-1526) F. Manz(1498-1527)



The Relationship between State and Religion











Schleitheim confession

Article 4: Separation from Evil

(membership of Christian community)

community of Christians shall have The no association with those who remain in disobedience and a spirit of rebellion against God. There can be no fellowship with the wicked in the world; there can be no participation in works, church services, meetings and civil affairs of those who live in contradiction to the commands of God (Catholics and Protestants). All evil must be resisted including their weapons of force such as the sword and armor.



Article 6: The Sword (nonresistance as Christian pacifism)

Violence must not be used in any circumstance. The way of nonviolence is patterned after the example of Christ who never exhibited violence in the face of persecution or as a punishment for sin. A Christian should not pass judgment in worldly disputes. It is not appropriate for a Christian to serve as a magistrate; a magistrate acts according to the rules of the world, not according to the rules of heaven; their weapons are worldly, but the weapons of a Christian are spiritual.



Article 7: The Oath

No (oaths) should be taken because Jesus prohibited the taking of oaths and swearing. Testifying is not the same thing as swearing. When a person bears testimony, they are testifying about the present, whether it be good or evil.



Heinrich Bullinger (1504-1575)

Theology of Covenant







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The Second Helvetic Confession: Article 30th

The chief duty of the magistrate is to secured and preserve peace and public tranquility. Doubtless he will never do this more successfully than when he is truly God-fearing and religious; that is to say, when, according to the example of the most holy kings and princes of the people of the Lord, he promotes the preaching of the truth and sincere faith, roots out lies and all superstition, together with all impiety and idolatry, and defends the Church of God. We certainly teach that the care of religion belongs especially to the holy magistrate.



Karl Barth with Rifle



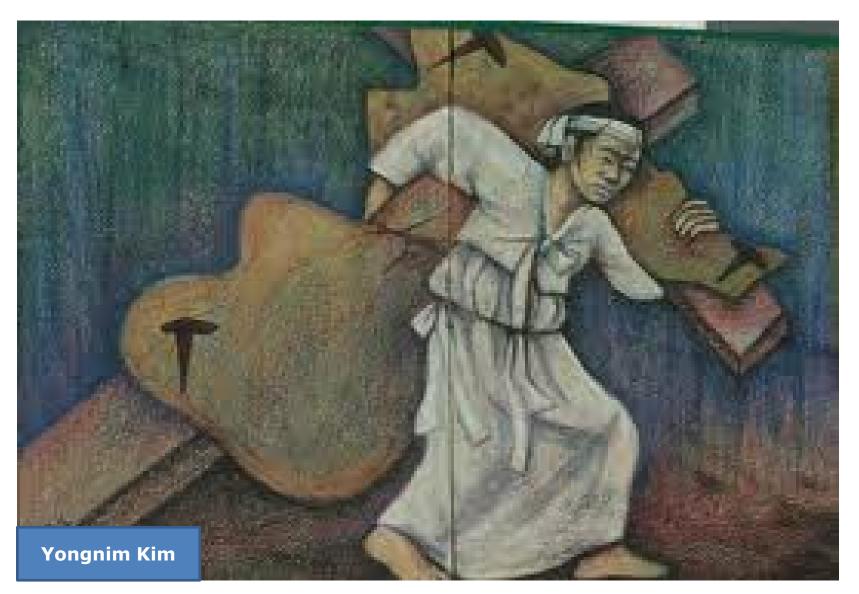


Barmen 5

5. "Fear God. Honor the emperor." (I Peter 2:17.) Scripture tells us that, in the as yet unredeemed world in which the church also exists, the State has by divine appointment the task of providing for justice and peace. [It fulfills this task] by means of the threat and exercise of force, according to the measure of human judgment and human ability. The church acknowledges the benefit of this divine appointment in gratitude and reverence before him. It calls to mind the Kingdom of God, God's commandment and righteousness, and thereby the responsibility both of rulers and of the ruled. It trusts and obeys the power of the Word by which God upholds all things. https://www.ekd.de/en/The-Barmen-Declaration-303.htm



Korean context of division

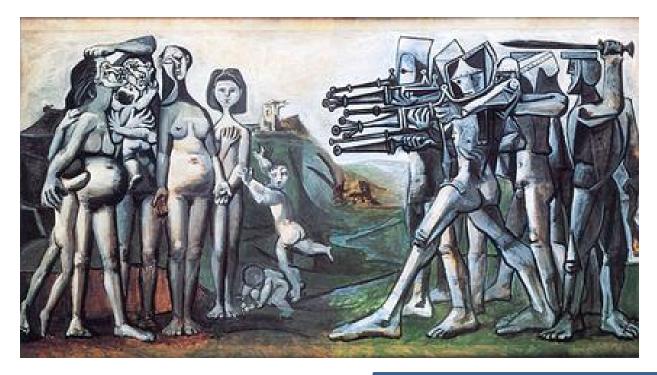




Cold War Between USA and Russia in Korea



Massacre in Korea: Pablo Picasso (1951)



https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?curid= 2612756



Peace in Korea (2017)



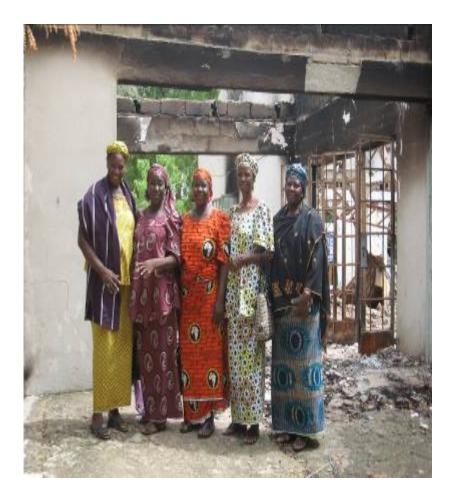
Woori Bank Art Contest for Children



EYN Church in Nigeria

Trotz aller Schwierigkeiten will die EYN nicht auf Hass und Vergeltung, sondern auf Heilung und Versöhnung setzen.



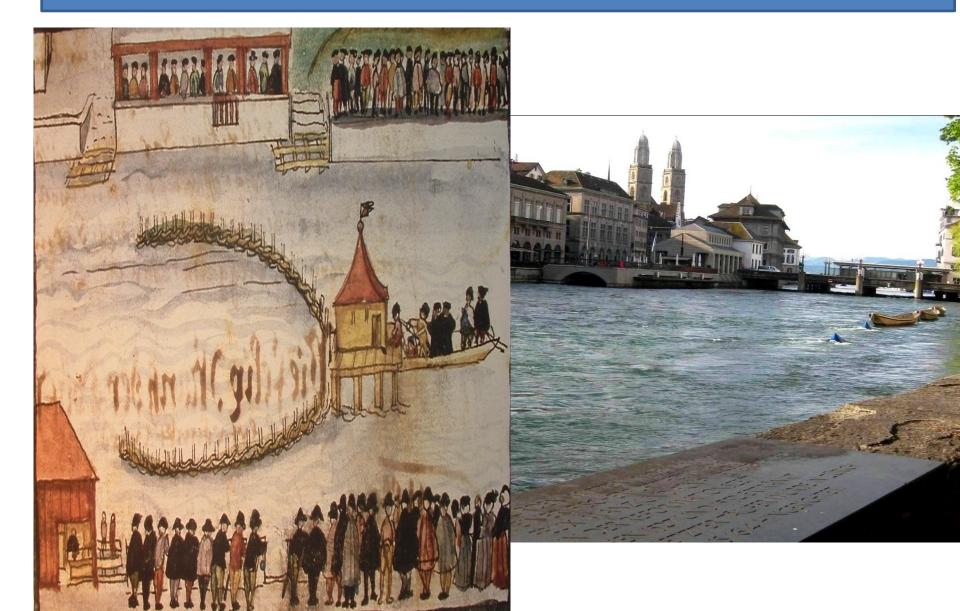


"Zum friedlichen Zusammenleben der Religionen gibt es keine Alternative."





Reconciliation with Anabaptist





Toward Reconciliation and Peace





Thank you for your attention