

Lesson 56: The Bishop of Rome Name: _____

1. Why do Catholics pay the greatest reverence to the pope?

2. What did Christ intend to happen with the special power of chief teacher and ruler that He conferred on St. Peter?

3. Why did Rome end up becoming the headquarters of the Church?

4. Why was it necessary for St. Peter to have successors possessing his same powers?

5. Who is the head of the Church of Christ?

6. Bill, a Protestant, says, "Peter never had any successors! Therefore the Pope does not have the same powers as Peter did." What can you answer to him?

7. Why have many disputed the supremacy of the Bishop of Rome?

8. Prove that the Bishop of Rome has always been looked upon as the head of the Church.

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2. _____

3. _____

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9. Correctly label the following pictures of past Popes with these names: St. Peter, St. Pius V, Pius IX, Leo XIII, Benedict XV, St. Pius X, Pius XII, John XXIII, John Paul II.

