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for Christopher Check

“ Christopher Check’s talk on Lepanto will transport you across time and space and you will suddenly find yourself on galley in the midst of the most important sea battle in the history of Western Civilization. ”

» **Dale Ahlquist, President, American Chesterton Society**

“ Christopher Check delivers his lecture on Lepanto with the punch and passion that such a subject demands. The combination of scholarship and rambunctiousness with which he tells the story of Don John’s victory over Christendom’s ancient foe is nothing less than a Chesterbellocian feast and is not to be missed. ”

» **Joseph Pearce, Ave Maria University**

“ It really was quite extraordinary; and I mean to use that term in exactly the way it was intended to be used. My only lament is that every student in every high school classroom all over the United States and Europe isn’t hearing it. Imagine the vibrancy of the Church if she returned to feeding her people this intellectual and cultural fare to go along with the supernatural food she is blessed to give; and imagine then that effect on our world. ”

» **Col David Petrillo, USAF, Ret, President, The Montfort Academy**

“ The talk by Chris Check on the Battle of Lepanto was one of the most interesting that I have ever heard. When you combine the magnificent historical research done by Chris Check together with his passion for the Church and add the genius of Chesterton, you have a combination of excellence that is hard to match much less surpass. ”

» **Thomas Roeser, Program Chairman, Chicago Legatus**



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“It was a great pleasure to be present at your outstanding lecture. It was a superb presentation of one of the greatest victories in the history of the Church: a supernatural victory achieved by faith and prayers, and illustrating the truth that “boasting of chariots and of horses” does not guarantee success. Victory comes to those who “boast in the name of the Lord” (Psalm 20,7). Your talk is also a clarion call for the West to go back to the Faith: for, as Belloc wrote, “Europe is the Faith, and the Faith is Europe.” I highly recommend your presentation.”

» **Alice Von Hildebrand**

“Chris Check’s presentation to our lunch forum on the Battle of Lepanto was one of the most exciting events we have hosted, including Chris’ recitation, from memory, of Chesterton’s famous poem about Lepanto. This is a rare treat. Get a baby sitter and check this out.”

» **Catholic Citizens of Illinois**

“Mr. Check’s presentation would have delighted Chesterton himself for a number of reasons, not the least of which is that his declamation of the ballad from memory stunned, enthralled, and edified a whole roomful of young men in their teens. Top-drawer.”

» **Fr. Hugh Barbour, O. Praem. Prior, Saint Michael’s Abbey and Preparatory School**

“The best lecture ever delivered to our staff.”

» **Karl Keating, Founder, Catholic Answers**

“Christopher Check has performed a valuable service in providing historically reliable information on certain neuralgic topics, often used to discredit the Church. Each lecture is presented in an engaging style and full of facts geared to make an intelligent response to various ‘black legends.’ I recommend these talks most enthusiastically.”

» **Fr. Peter Stravinskis**





ABOUT

Christopher Check

Christopher Check is president of Catholic Answers, the largest lay-run apologetics and evangelization organization in the English-speaking world. He holds a degree in English Literature from Rice University.

Christopher served for two decades as vice president of The Rockford Institute and before that for seven years as a field artillery officer in the United States Marine Corps in deployments and expeditions in the Far East and the Persian Gulf. His writings have appeared in *Chronicles: A Magazine of American Culture*, *Catholic Answers Magazine*, *Touchstone*, *The Wanderer*, *Angelus*, *New Oxford Review*, *Culture Wars*, and the *Chicago Tribune*.

He has addressed audiences at home and abroad including at the University of London, the Pontifical Augustinian University in Rome, the Serbian Writers Union in Belgrade, the National Press Club, Catholic Answers, the American Chesterton Society, Legatus, Catholic Citizens of Illinois, Saint Michael's Abbey, Silverado, California, Saint Gregory's Academy, The Institute for Catholic Culture, The Thomas More College of Liberal Arts, Ave Maria University, Argument of the Month Club, and, most respectable of all, the Irish Rose Saloon in Rockford, Illinois. Christopher is the creator of The Lepanto Lectures, a series of audio lectures on topics in Salvation History from ancient times to the present day.



TALKS

by **Christopher Check**

LEPANTO: THE BATTLE THAT SAVED THE CHRISTIAN WEST

October is the month of the rosary, but most Catholics don't know why. Learn how, on October 7, 1571, the Blessed Virgin Mary joined the most important sea battle of all time and saved the Christian West from Islamic conquest.

¡VIVA CRISTO REY! THE CRISTEROS AND THE MARTYRS OF THE MEXICAN REVOLUTION

In the 1920s the enemies of the Church seized control of the Mexican government and declared war on Catholicism. An army of tradesmen and farmers arose in defense of Christ the King. They were the Cristeros, and their tale of courage is among the great Catholic war stories of all time. It is a story American Catholics need to know as the freedom of Holy Mother Church comes under greater and greater assault by our own government.

WHAT WERE THE CRUSADES?

To many, the Crusades were the brutal colonization of Palestine by savage French knights seeking untold wealth. This talk will make clear what the Crusades really were, and it will arm Catholics to answer the charge that Catholics should apologize for this glorious period in Church history.

HENRY VIII'S DIVORCE

When Henry VIII divorced Catherine of Aragon, he separated England from the Catholic Church. Henry's defenders argue that his motives were merely political. This lecture lays bare Henry's true (and much more sinister) motives and names the painful and widespread effects of the divorce that we suffer right down to the present day.

ST. JOAN OF ARC AND THE HUNDRED YEARS' WAR

Much of what we think we know of St. Joan of Arc ranges from pious legend to deliberate fabrication. The truth of her story, altogether unique in history, is more fascinating than the legends and the propaganda.



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LIBERATION FROM E-SLAVERY

We have today more devices and systems with which to communicate than ever in history. Yet, far from strengthening human relationships, they render them more abstract and distant. Worse still, they serve as obstacles to our relationship with the divine. Find out how to navigate the “information superhighway” and find silence amidst the noise of modern communication technology.

WAS CATHERINE OF SIENA A FEMINIST?

Feminists have long argued that Catherine of Siena, who told the pope in Avignon to get back to Rome, made it big in a man’s world. In this lecture you will learn the truth: St. Catherine’s life was one of death to self, a celebration of her suffering and the mercy of God, and an example for all of us today.

THE SPANISH ARMADA: THE CATHOLIC VERSION

American schoolchildren—or the handful that still study history—learn that the defeat of the Spanish Armada was the victory of the heroic Francis Drake and the noble Queen Elizabeth over the forces of imperial Spain determined to arrest religious and economic freedom with vessels laden with the torture devices of the Inquisition. Learn the truth of the Armada story: why King Philip II was justified in launching the invasion, what really brought down the Spanish force, and who the real heroes were.

MAKING SENSE OF THE INQUISITION

No story sets itself so violently against the Catholic Church as the black legend of the Inquisition. The truth of the Inquisition (or, more accurately, Inquisitions) is quite different. This lecture looks at the scriptural and historical precedents for the Inquisition, dispels some of its most persistent myths, and equips Catholics to explain it to those who hold the Inquisition as the blackest of marks against the Church.

FOR CROSS AND CROWN: THE WAR IN THE VENDÉE

The French Revolution is heralded as the great flowering of Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity. In fact it was tyranny and terror: a deliberate war against tradition, against the crown, against marriage and the family, and most of all, against Jesus Christ and His Holy Church. In the west of France, however, the fiercely devout Catholic farmers and craftsmen of the Vendée formed a courageous army and drove the Revolutionary Army of France from their soil. In the end they were crushed in what is certainly the first modern genocide, but their bravery and fervor are a much-needed inspiration in our own age of increasing persecution of the Church.

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