**Bell Ringer #5**

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**Excerpt from Martin Luther’s Ninety-Five Theses:**

*“The pope himself cannot remit (take away) guilt, but only declare and confirm that it has been remitted by God; or, at most, he can remit it in cases reserved to his discretion. Except for these cases, the guilt remains untouched.*

*There is no divine authority for preaching that the soul flies out of the purgatory immediately the money clinks in the bottom of the chest.*

*It is certainly possible that when the money clinks in the bottom of the chest avarice and greed increase; but when the church offers intercession, all depends in the will of God.”*

**1. According to Luther, what is supreme?**

a) God’s will b) the Bible c) The pope’s decision

**2. Which of the following statements BEST contextualizes (places in context) the excerpt?**

1. Luther writes his arguments during the Crusades. He believes that a holy war is necessary to take back Jerusalem.
2. The Catholic Church thanked Luther for his work after seeing this piece. They called him “the defender of the faith.”
3. Luther has seen the greed and corruption within the Catholic Church. He nails his work to the door of Wittenberg’s All Saints Church as a protest of the Church’s actions.

**3. What major historical event was sparked by the actions of Martin Luther?**