

# MANIFESTO MANIΦΕΣΤΟ



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My dear Christians,

I am writing these words to inform you where our Church is lately, because most people are not informed by their shepherds.

Our Church leaders, prelates of different titles (patriarchs, archbishops, metropolitans and bishops) have abandoned the faith of our Fathers.

This was shown more openly at the so-called Synod of Crete in June 2016. In one of its texts this pseudo-Synod recognized the existence of other Churches besides the Orthodox Church. We believe that God's Church is only one, and this is the Orthodox Church.

Four Autocephalous (independent) Orthodox Churches did not participate in this pseudo-Synod of Crete, while two of these, the Churches of Bulgaria and Georgia, condemned its decisions. The Orthodox Church is being torn in two.

The worst is that our Patriarch and all the bishops that follow him want to unite with those other "Churches," without first being united in the same faith. This would mean that the struggles of our Fathers were in vain.

According to our Patriarch, the differences that exist between us, which the Holy Synods of the Church have condemned, no longer prevent us from uniting.

Our Patriarch not only says this, but shows in practice that all Christians, Orthodox, Catholics and Protestants, are brothers and sisters in the Lord and all belong to the same Church of Christ.

It is no longer allowed to call those who are outside the Orthodox Church "heretics" and "schismatics." To them, there are no

Ἀγαπητοί μου Χριστιανοί,

Σᾶς γράφω αὐτὰ τὰ λόγια γιὰ νὰ σᾶς πληροφορήσω ποῦ βρίσκεται ἡ Ἐκκλησία μας τὸν τελευταῖο καιρό, γιατί ὁ περισσότερος κόσμος δὲν ἐνημερώνεται ἀπὸ τοὺς ποιμένες του.

Οἱ ἐκκλησιαστικοί μας ἡγέτες, ἀρχιερεῖς διαφόρων τίτλων (Πατριάρχες, Ἀρχιεπίσκοποι, Μητροπολίτες καὶ Ἐπίσκοποι) ἔχουν ἐγκαταλείψει τὴν πίστη τῶν Πατέρων μας.

Αὐτὸ φάνηκε περισσότερο μὲ τὴ Σύνοδο τῆς Κρήτης τὸν περασμένο Ἰούνιο τοῦ 2016. Σὲ ἓνα κείμενό της αὐτὴ ἡ ψευτο-σύνοδος ἀναγνώρησε ὅτι ὑπάρχουν καὶ ἄλλες Ἐκκλησίες ἐκτὸς τῆς Ὁρθόδοξου. Ἐμεῖς πιστεύομε ὅτι ἡ Ἐκκλησία τοῦ Θεοῦ εἶναι μία καὶ μόνη, καὶ αὐτὴ εἶναι ἡ Ὁρθόδοξη.

Τέσσερις αὐτοκέφαλες Ἐκκλησίες δὲν ἔλαβαν μέρος στὴν ψευτο-σύνοδο τῆς Κρήτης, ἐνῶ δύο ἀπ' αὐτές, ἡ Ἐκκλησία τῆς Βουλγαρίας καὶ τῆς Γεωργίας, καταδίκασαν τὶς ἀποφάσεις της. Ἡ Ὁρθόδοξη Ἐκκλησία πάει νὰ σχιστεῖ στὰ δύο.

Τὸ χειρότερο εἶναι ὅτι ὁ Πατριάρχης μας καὶ ὅλοι οἱ ἐπίσκοποι ποὺ τὸν ἀκολουθοῦν, θέλουν νὰ ἐνωθοῦν μὲ τὶς ἄλλες αὐτές "ἐκκλησίες," δίχως νὰ ἐνωθοῦν πρῶτα στὴν ἴδια πίστη. Δηλαδή οἱ ἀγῶνες τῶν Πατέρων πῆγαν χαμένοι.

Σύμφωνα μὲ τὸν Πατριάρχη μας, οἱ διαφορὲς ποὺ ὑπάρχουν μεταξύ μας, τὶς ὁποῖες καταδίκασαν οἱ Ἅγιες Σύνοδοι τῆς Ἐκκλησίας, δὲν μᾶς ἐμποδίζουν πιά νὰ ἐνωθοῦμε.

Ὁ Πατριάρχης μας δὲν τὸ λέει μόνο, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὸ δείχνει ἐμπράκτως, ὅτι ὅλοι οἱ Χριστιανοί, Ὁρθόδοξοι, Καθολικοί, καὶ Προτεστάντες, εἴμαστε ἀδελφοὶ ἐν Κυρίῳ, καὶ ἀνήκομε ὅλοι στὴν ἴδια Ἐκκλησία τοῦ Χριστοῦ.

Ἔτσι βλέπομε ὅλο καὶ πιὸ συχνὰ τὴν παρουσία μὴ Ὁρθόδοξων κληρικῶν σὲ Ὁρθόδοξες ἀκολουθίες, ὅπως τὰ Ἅγια Θεοφάνεια, καὶ πολὺ συχνὰ στὸ Πατριαρχεῖο μὲ Καρδινάλιους, μὲ τὸν ἴδιο τὸν Πάπα, ἀκόμα καὶ μὲ ἄλλοθρήσκους.

more schisms and heresies; anyone from any tradition and form of worship is in the Church of Christ.

The Patriarch has given the directive to no longer receive those Christians who want to become Orthodox through baptism, because, he says, since they are baptized in the name of the Holy Trinity they have a valid baptism. For us there are no Sacraments outside the Church.

They recognize the aero-baptism that is performed even by non-Christians, and fiercely hunt down priests who dare to baptize converts. They allow marriages with non-Orthodox, without requiring them to become Orthodox.

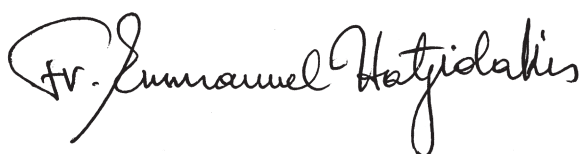
They say that we should not let minor differences divide us, we should no longer insist in dogmas that became the reason we are divided and remain separated, and that we should be united in love.

Were the struggles of our Fathers, who kept our faith in the Holy Trinity and in our Christ pure and undefiled, in vain? "We have gone beyond them," they would reply, "because we have more love than they had."

We, my dear Christians, must follow the faith of our Fathers: of Saint Nektarios, of the holy Elder Paisios, of Saint Justin the New and of all the Saints, whose teachings are not followed by our Patriarch and by all the bishops in America.

### What do we need to do?

- Courageously resist our ecumenist Bishops
- Priests who want to remain Orthodox need to stop commemorating them
- Start following an Orthodox Bishop
- Stand behind our priests



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Λένε ότι δέν έπιτρέπεται πιά νά καλοῦμε αίρετικούς και σχισματικούς αὐτούς ποὺ εἶναι έκτός τῆς Ὁρθόδοξης Ἐκκλησίας. Δέν ὑπάρχουν πιά σχίσματα και αίρέσεις. Ὅλοι μαζί ἀποτελοῦμε τὴν Ἐκκλησία τοῦ Χριστοῦ, ὁ καθένας ἀκολουθώντας τὴν παράδοσή του και τὴ λατρεία του.

Ὁ Πατριάρχης ἔχει δώσει ἐντολή νά μὴ βαπτίζουμε πιά τοὺς Χριστιανοὺς ποὺ θέλουν νά γίνουν Ὁρθόδοξοι μὲ βάπτισμα, γιατί, λέει, ἐφ' ὅσον εἶναι βαπτισμένοι στὸ ὄνομα τῆς Ἁγίας Τριάδας ἔχουν ἔγκυρο βάπτισμα. Γιὰ μᾶς δέν ὑπάρχουν Μυστήρια έκτός τῆς Ἐκκλησίας.

Ἀναγνωρίζουν τὸ ἀεροβάπτισμα ποὺ γίνεται ἀκόμα και ἀπὸ μὴ Χριστιανοὺς, και κυνηγοῦνε λυσσαλαῖα τοὺς ἱερεῖς ποὺ τολμᾶνε νά βαπτίζουν προσήλυτους. Ἐπιτρέπουν τὸ γάμο μὲ μὴ Ὁρθόδοξους, δίχως νά γίνωνται πρῶτα Ὁρθόδοξοι.

Λένε ότι δέν πρέπει νά ἀφήνωμε μικροδιαφορὲς νά μᾶς χωρίζουν. Νά μὴν ἐπιμένωμε πιά στὰ δόγματα, ποὺ γίνανε ἡ αἰτία ποὺ χωριστήκαμε και παραμένωμε χωρισμένοι. Ἄς εἴμαστε ἐνωμένοι στὴν ἀγάπη.

Πᾶνε λοιπὸν χαμένοι οἱ ἀγῶνες τῶν Πατέρων μας νά κρατήσουν τὴν πίστη μας στὴν Ἁγία Τριάδα και στὸν Χριστό μας ἀνόθευτη και ἀμόλυντη; Ναι, λένε. Ἐμεῖς τοὺς ἔχομε ξεπεράσει, γιατί ἔχομε περισσότερη ἀγάπη ἀπ' αὐτούς!

Ἐμεῖς, ἀγαπητοί μου Χριστιανοί, ὀφείλομε νά ἀκολουθοῦμε τὴν πίστη τῶν Πατέρων μας: τοῦ Ἁγίου Νεκταρίου, τοῦ Ἁγίου Γέροντα Παΐσιου, τοῦ Ἁγίου Ἰουστίνου τοῦ Νέου και ὄλων τῶν Ἁγίων, τίς διδασκαλίες τῶν ὁποίων δέν ἀκολουθοῦν ὁ Πατριάρχης μας και ὄλοι οἱ ἐπίσκοποι στὴν Ἀμερικὴ.

### Τὶ χρειάζεται νά κάνωμε;

- Νά ἀντισταθοῦμε θαρραλέα στοὺς Οἰκουμενιστὲς Ἐπισκόπους μας
- οἱ ἱερεῖς ποὺ τοὺς ἀκολουθοῦν νά σταματήσουν νά τοὺς μνημονεύουν
- νά ἀκολουθοῦν ἓνα Ὁρθόδοξο Ἐπίσκοπο, και
- ὅλος ὁ λαὸς νά τοὺς ὑποστηρίξει.



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