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Unit 1 – Renaissance and Reformation

The 95 Theses

**DIRECTIONS:**

**Discuss the answers to the following questions within your group. You can make notes of your answers in the spaces below, but these will just be notes for you to remember the answers (you will not have to turn these in).**

1. What does Luther say is the true treasure of the church?

2. What does Luther say about buying pardons (indulgences)?

3. Judging from these excerpts, what is Luther’s opinion on the position of the pope?

4. Rather than buying pardons, what does Luther believe people should spend their money on?

5. What does Luther believe a Christian must have for a sin to be forgiven?

6. What can papal pardons do (or not do) according to Martin Luther?

7. After reading these excerpts, what does Luther’s motivation seem to be after reading excerpts from his controversial text?

8. After reading these excerpts, do you feel the pope had just cause to excommunicate Luther? Why or why not?