

# THE CANONS OF DORDT (1619)

## **First Head of Doctrine (Divine Election and Reprobation)**

### **Article One**<sup>1</sup>

**Leader:** As all men have sinned in Adam, lie under the curse, and are deserving of eternal death, God would have done no injustice by leaving them all to perish and delivering them over to condemnation on account of sin, according to the words of the apostle:

**People:** *That every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may be brought under the judgment of God. (Rm. 3:19) And: For all have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God. (Rm. 3:23) And: For the wages of sin is death. (Rm. 6:23)*

### **Article Two**<sup>2</sup>

**Leader:** But in this the love of God was manifested, that *He sent His only begotten Son into the world, that whosoever believeth on Him, should not perish, but have eternal life. (1 Jn. 4:9; Jn. 3:16)*

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<sup>1</sup> God would be just to leave all men in their sin and condemn all men.

<sup>2</sup> God shows His sovereign love in the sending of Jesus Christ.