

## PRESS RELEASE DRAW THE RIGHT CONCLUSIONS!

**The German Bishops' Conference (DBK) has recognized the signs of the times, but is drawing the wrong conclusions from the point of view of Maria 1.0. After all, the current church statistics clearly show again that the church does not have a structural problem but a faith problem.**

The numbers of the church statistics 2018 are frightening. They prove: The Catholic Church in Germany is in a deep crisis. The reforms often called for as a result, such as abolishing celibacy or ordaining women, are old hat. Those who hope for future growth from these reforms have probably been ignoring Protestant statistics for years.

Those who leave the church because it does not correspond to the spirit of the times only show that they no longer have faith. Because for a believer the Eucharist is indispensable and therefore leaving the church is never an option, despite all possible problems of the church. From the point of view of Maria 1.0, it is therefore not expedient when people want to “tinker” with the Church, who see solutions in structural reforms rather than in a return to the sacraments.

Likewise, Maria 1.0 wonders why the synodal path should still be pursued under this false perspective after Pope Francis' letter. In his letter, Pope Francis makes it unmistakably clear that the previous “synodal view” cannot solve the existing problems. This is reason enough not to follow the synodal path in this way. According to the Pope's assessment, the existing problems can only be solved through evangelization and conversion. This approach is also supported by Mary 1.0. For people should go to church again because they have a longing for the sacraments and not because the pastor has or is a woman.