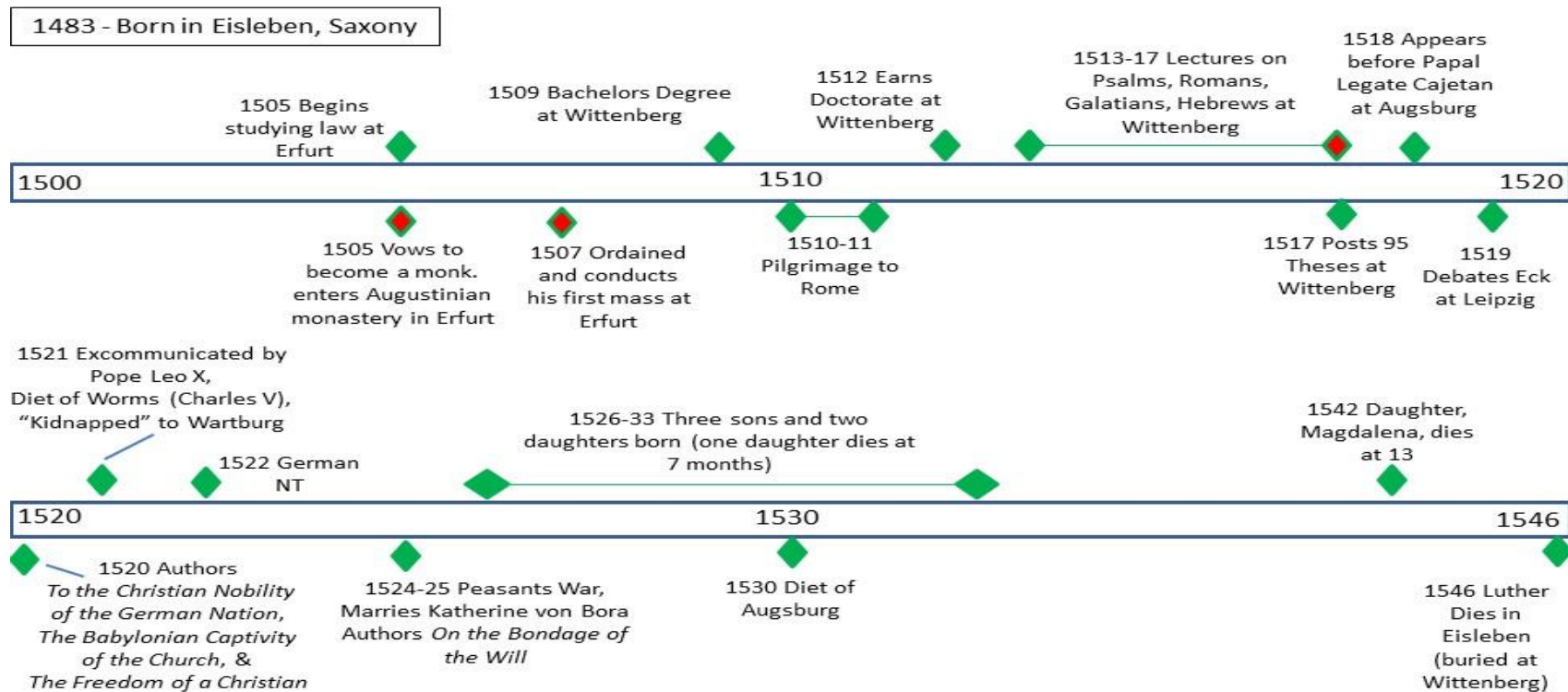


Martin Luther Timeline



EXCERPTS FROM THE 95 THESES

- 2. This word [repent] cannot be understood as referring to the sacrament of penance, that is, confession and satisfaction, as administered by the clergy.
- 6. The pope cannot remit any guilt, except by declaring and showing that it has been remitted by God; or, to be sure, by remitting guilt in cases reserved to his judgment. If his right to grant remission in these cases were disregarded, the guilt would certainly remain unforgiven.
- 8. The penitential canons are imposed only on the living, and, according to the canons themselves, nothing should be imposed on the dying.
- 28. It is certain that when money clinks in the money chest, greed and avarice can be increased; but when the church intercedes, the result is in the hands of God alone.
- 29. Who knows whether all souls in purgatory wish to be redeemed, since we have exceptions in St. Severinus and St. Paschal, as related in a legend.
- 36. Any truly repentant Christian has a right to full remission of penalty and guilt, even without indulgence letters.
- 82. Such as: "Why does not the pope empty purgatory for the sake of holy love and the dire need of the souls that are there if he redeems an infinite number of souls for the sake of miserable money with which to build a church?" The former reason would be most just; the latter is most trivial.