Reflection Questions for ‘The Real Issues of the Reformation’ by JAMES HITCHCOCK

1. What does it mean to say, ‘the Reformation has been approached ecumenically’?
2. Why is the term ‘Catholic Reformation’ more accurate than ‘Counter Reformation’?
3. Why was it hard to see the apostolic fishermen in the mighty, often scandalously worldly, prince-bishops?
4. In what way did the 16th century church fail to resemble the holy simplicity of the original Church?
5. In what way was ‘formalistic faith’ a real problem?
6. What are some examples that show that the Catholic Church understood the problem and was starting to address it?
7. Sadly, when it came to belief in the Eucharist, what did the calls for deeper interiorization of religion lead to?
8. What were some of the accomplishments of the *Catholic* Reformation (counter-reformation)?