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SES. HORACE MCCONKEY, LA-RRY MCCONKEY, OTELLA MC-CONKEY, WANDA McCONKEY, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OLIVER WILLIAMS, NELLIE WI-LLIAMS, LILLIE WILLIAMS RADfiled in the above entitied Special FORD, OSCAR RADFORD, MAMIE WILLIAMS TALYOR, FRED TAY-IN THE SUPERIOR COURT LOR, LUTHER WILLIAMS, ANNIE GLORIA JEAN EVANS, formerly WILLIAMS, DIXIE WILLIAMS GLORIA JEAN EVANS LEDFORD, O'DELL, HENRY O'DELL, IKE TAYLOR, ANDREW TAYLOR, Petitioner, ELDEN TAYLOR, ISABELL TAY--18-LOR, DOROTHY TAYLOR HOLLE-ARVIL BEE LEDFORD, Respondent. NHEAD, WHITT HOLLENHEAD,

> **CATHOLIC INFORMATION** By REV. JOSEPH DEAN THE MERITS OF JESUS CHRIST

We are redeemed through the blood of Jesus Christ; shed on the Cross the last drop. We owe all that we are and have to Him. But the scriptures do not teach that our works are moritorious according to His divine plan, if these good works are freely done in His divine grace. However, we must realize that all our merit is primarily His, for He won our right to grace and glory, by His infinite merits, when He redeemed us by His Possion and Death. This doctrine of merit is expresnly taught in many passages of the New Testament. "I was hungry and you gave Me to eat" (Matt. XXV, 42) "Sell what you passess and give alms: make to yourself bags which grow not old, a treasure int-heaven which failith not" (Luke X11, 33); "Who will render to every man according to his works" (Rom. 11. 6) "Every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labors" (Cor. 111. 8) "Know you not that they that run in the race, all run igdeed, but, one receive the prize? So run that you may obtain" (1 Cor. X11. 24), "Tabor the more that by good works you may make sure your

calling and election" (2 Peter 1, 10). -In a certain sense our Father has bound Himself to reward our good works, not because He has received something from us, but because He has promised what has pleased Himself, concerning these works of mercy and brotherly love,

Martin Luther's continual denuciation of good works in the name of a pseudo-evangelical freedom had a disastrous effect on public morals, as he and many of his contemporaries admitted. Read what he himself writes: "This preaching ought rightfully to beaccepted and listened to with great joy, and everyone ought to improve himself thereby and become more pious. But unforthinately, the reverse is now the case, and the longer it endures the wose the world becomes; this is the work of the devil himself, for now we see the people becoming more avaricious, more unmenchal, more unhas'e, and in every way worse than they were under the Papacy.' Yes, we are redeemed only through the blood of Jesus. And all our merit is primerily fils. But He commanded us to cooperate with His grace and to make our faith a tiving faith through our good works done in the name of Jeans Christ, ADV.

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