

said Protestants and Catholics should break the "conspiracy of 'silence" which had kept them "at arm's length" for more than four centuries.

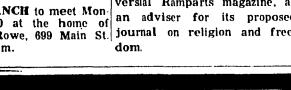
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This "silence' has been broken also on the international plane, thanks in large measure Vatican Council to which the Lutheran World Federation (LWF), headquartered in Geneva. Switzerland, sent five of its top theologians as delegateobservers, a mong them Dr. Kristin E. Skydsgaard, professor of systematic theology at the University of Copenhagen, Denmark, who is probably the foremost Lutheran student of Catholicism.

gaard's direction that the LWF six years ago launched a history-making research program, at the University of Copenhagen's Ecumenical Institute, into the theology of Roman Catholicism and other confes sions.

The Lutheran scholar made a statement on the Danish Radio in which he explained that since neither Catholicism nor Lutheranism was the same as at the time of the Reformation split, there needed to be a fresh examination of what they have in common and what separates them today.

Later, Dr. Skydsgaard made this challenging comment "Both Roman Catholicism and Lutheranism stand within history, and they must not be satisfied either with the triumphs of former periods, or with the brilliance of today. On both sides, the power of destructive forces is at work, but on both





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