

# Working to address the persistent and grave violations of human rights within the Church

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“There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female: for all are one in the Messiah Jesus” (Galatians 3:28). It was probably this radical message that made the Christian communities in the Roman Empire so attractive and that sounds to us today like an early form of human rights. But the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, proclaimed by the United Nations in 1948, has its roots in philosophical and political concepts that historically often had to assert themselves against church claims to power.

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