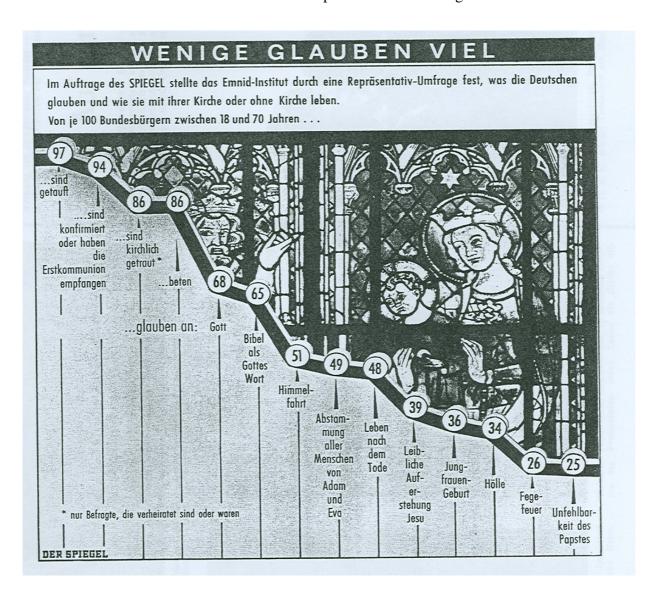
"This World and Netherworld", cover story of the "Spiegel"-magazine, 18.12.1967 (based on data by the Emnid-institute, later published as a book: "What do the Germans believe in?")

Caption: Few believe a lot. Commissioned by the SPIEGEL, the Emnid-institute established in a representative poll what the Germans believe and how they live with their church or without church. From 100 citizens of the Federal Republic between the age of 18 and 70...



Answers, from left to right column: 97 are baptised; 94 had had confirmation or first communion; 86 were married by a minister [of those who are or were married]; 86 are praying; 68 believe in god; 65 believe in bible as god's word; 51 believe in ascension; 49 believe in that all men descent from Adam and Eve; 48 believe in life after death; 39 believe in the resurrection of Jesus; 36 believe in the immaculate conception of Mary; 34 believe in hell; 26 believe in purgatory; 25 believe in the infallibility of the pope

Note: answers refer to all respondents, both Catholics, Protestants and those who are not members of a church. About 55% of all Germans were Protestants, 42% Catholics and 3% without affiliation.