Constantine – A Stained Man

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Constantine is a man with a tarnished name. He once manipulated the Roman Catholic Church as well as the government. He went from a military leader to a pontiff, then on to his highest quest. The church was given this ruthless leader to assist then with proving the deity of Christ. A man who worshiped the Greek God Apollo at the same time he professed to be Christian. It makes one wonder what deal was struck? The church would later get him promoted to the seat of Caesar. Yet he didn't prove the deity of Christ, that's an impossible task. So what did he do for the church? Many believe he guided the Council of Trent to add phrases, perhaps even books (such as Romans) which are accredited to the Apostle Paul, yet the style of writing, the things spoken of, don't really match with Paul's other books. This 16 x 20 acrylic painting recalls an ancient time of stained windows and stained hearts. It was a time of political treachery and religious conflict.

