



LifeConnect Group Questions

CHRISTIANITY 101: THE APOSTLES' CREED

10. Catholic? Of course!

Week of May 30, 2010 – Ephesians 4.1-16

Getting Started...

- What is your favourite team sport? What makes it your favourite?
- If you grew up in a church, talk about that denominational background, and share what that culture thought of Christians from 'other' traditions.
- Were you curious about how other Christians worshipped, or what the symbols of their tradition meant? How did you resolve that curiosity?

Going Deeper...

- Read Ephesians 4.1-16. Would you say this church has more 'servants' or 'masters'? What's wrong? From some of the things Paul writes, what are they doing? Not doing?
- How do the qualities in verses 2 and 3 promote unity?
- John Chrysostom defined patience as having "a wide and big soul". What does this mean to you?
- How does viewing God as our Father add to our unity?
- Why is theological oneness (believing something together) a key part of church unity?

- What does Paul recommend in verse 11? How would he go about building a successful management team? What would be the goal?
- If Paul were a management consultant appraising the productivity in the church today, what would he say? How would he change things?
- What does it mean to you, personally, to believe in the "holy catholic church"?

Taking the next step...

- What can you do (individually and as a group) to promote unity in our church, and in the church universal?
- What steps will you take to be winsome and encouraging when talking to others about your faith and the church?