

Introduction

- I. If we believe an holy, catholic church, we also believe the communion of the saints.
- II. Ephesians 4 exhorts us to live in the communion in 4:1.

The Communion of Saints

I. The Truth

- A. The communion of the saints is rooted in election.

- B. The communion of saints is also rooted in the Spirit's work of uniting us to Jesus Christ.

II. The Expression

- A. This communion is expressed in doctrinal unity.

- B. This communion is expressed in diversity within the church.

- C. The communion is expressed in the local congregation and more broadly by readily and cheerfully employing our gifts for the advantage and salvation of the other members.

III. The Purpose - that God may be glorified because He works this in the church.

- A. We see the work of God.

- B. This is a work of divine love.