

O Lord, Our God,

You have chosen to make Yourself known

Through Your Creation, Your Word, Your Son, and Your Spirit.

Now reveal Your glory to us and through us, the Church.

Speak to us, form us, lead us, dwell in us.

Teach us today how to love as Jesus loves,

To welcome the stranger, heal the sick, and care for the poor,

To bear good news, build bridges, and bring Your people home.

For Christ in us is the hope of glory.

May Your perfect will prevail in us this day,

In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

Amen.

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Holy Conversation

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought.

1 Corinthians 1:10

Just as a body , though one, has many parts,
but all its many parts form one body, so it is
with Christ.

1 Corinthians 12:12

For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility...His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.

Ephesians 2:14-16

Be kind and compassionate to one another,
forgiving each other, just as in Christ God
forgave you.

Ephesians 4:32

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 15:5-7

But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander.

I Peter 3:15-16

Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and one of mind. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus.

Philippians 2:1-5



Dan BOONE
talking about the *things that divide us*



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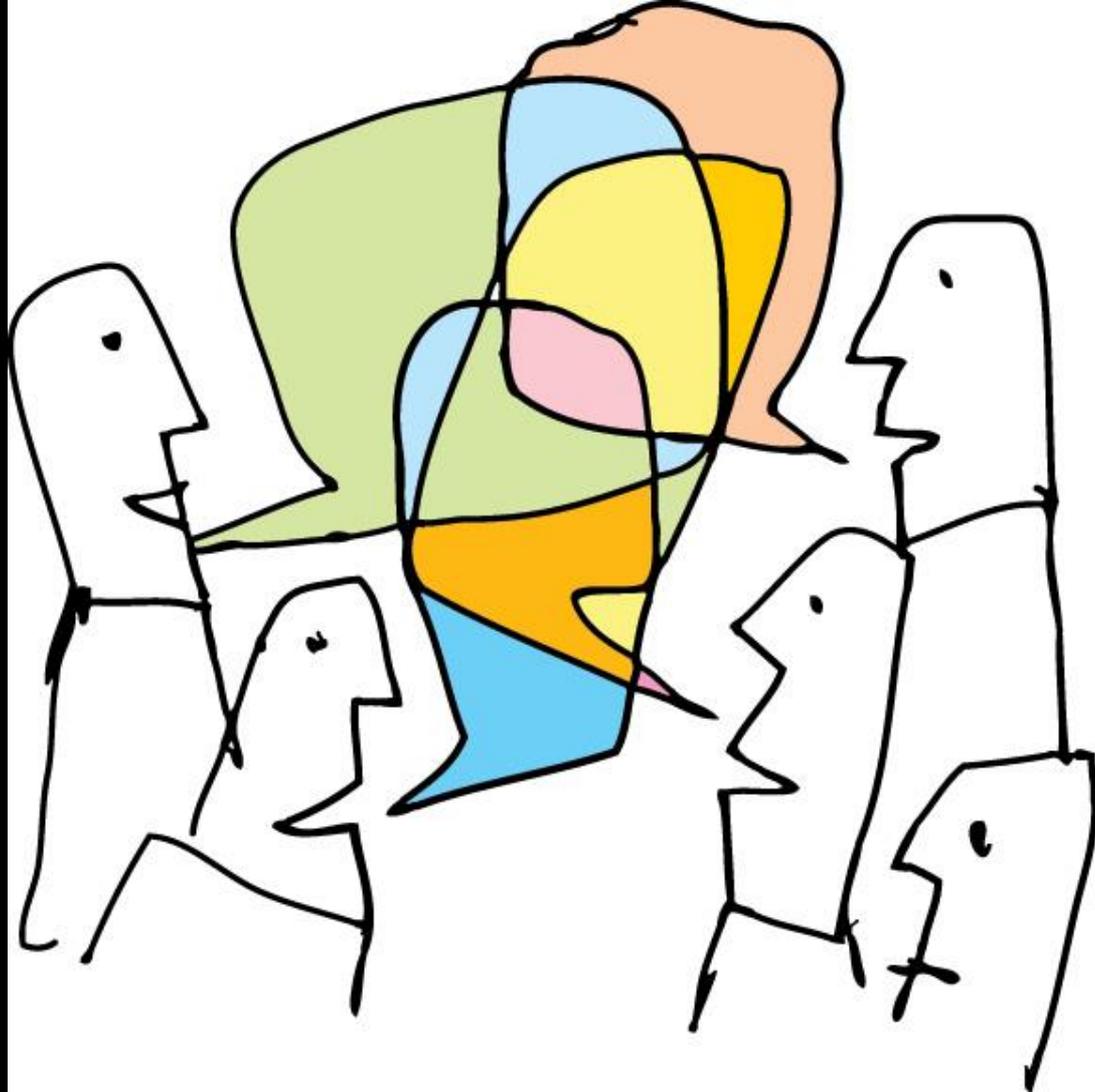
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Be very careful about pulling the
“God told me” card!

Holy Conversation

1. Every person is a child of God.
2. Listen before speaking.
3. Strive to understand from another's point of view.
4. Strive to reflect accurately the views of others.
5. Disagree without being disagreeable.
6. Speak about issues; do not defame people.
7. Pray, in silence or aloud, before decisions.
8. Let prayer interrupt your busyness.



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