

17. The people of God

"You, who were not a people before, are now the people of yourselves who had not received mercy before, but now have received it (2:10).



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achieved" (1Pe

LIFE EVENT



A man observed a child who was alone in the airport waiting area, waiting for them to announce the departure of their flight.

When boarding began, the boy was guided by the flight attendant into the window seat. Coincidentally, the man who was watching her had his seat next to the child.

Throughout the entire flight, the child was very well-behaved and conversant animatedly. At one point he took a book and several [items] out of his bag.

colored pencils, and he became distracted painting and painting different drawings.

He showed no signs of anxiety or worry about being on an airplane.

At one point, the plane entered a very strong storm, with turbulence and

The sudden jolts startled the man, as they did the rest of the passengers. But the child seemed to be in another world. world, he remained focused on his paintings as if he were

He was sitting peacefully in his living room. Terrified by the situation, as it seemed they wouldn't make it out of the storm alive, the man was struck by the child's behavior, since in

He never expressed any fear.

Then the man asked him:

"Aren't you afraid? Don't you realize our ship could have exploded?"

In an absolute voice, and quickly lifting his eyes from his book, the boy replied:

"No, I'm not afraid. My father is the pilot of this plane!"

WE SHARE:

1. What does this story teach you?

2. "Just as the body has many members, and each person is one of these members, though many, they form one body, so it is with Christ..."

Just as a child trusted his father, we are called to trust God as the wonderful pilot of the Church. He is guiding it. Do you think we can trust Him? Why?

THE WORD OF GOD



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These members, though many, form but one body; so also

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in God as the wonderful pilot of the Church. He is guiding it. Do you believe that

Can we trust Him?

Why? What draws your attention to this story? The body is not composed of a

not just one member, but of many. If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the whole,"

body," wouldn't that mean it wouldn't still be part of it? And if the ear said, "Since I'm not an eye, I'm not

I am part of the body," would I cease to be part of it? If the whole body were an eye, where would the ear be? And if everything

Without that sense, where would the sense of smell be? But God has arranged each of the members in the body, according to a

established plan. Because if they were all one member, where would the body be? In fact, there are many.

The body is one. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you," nor the head to the feet, "No."

"I need you." Moreover, the members of the body that we consider weaker are also necessary.

And those we consider less respectable are the ones we treat most respectfully. Thus our members

Those less worthy are treated with greater respect, since others do not need to be treated this way. But God

He arranged the body, giving more honor to the members who needed it most, so that there would be no divisions within it.

body, but that all the members should have mutual support. If one member suffers, all the others suffer with it.

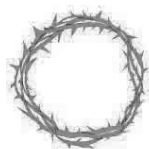
He. Is one member exalted? All the others share in his joy. You are the Body of Christ, and

each one in particular, members of that Corps."

WE FOUND OUT:

1. The unity of Christians:

WEEKLY GOAL



That they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you. That they may ...

may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. (John 17:21)