



## WHY DOES THE CHURCH EXIST?

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### #24: What does my faith have to do with the Church?

We receive the faith from the Church and live it out in fellowship with the people with whom we share our faith. Faith is the most personal thing a person has, yet it is not a private matter. The faith of others supports me, just as the fervor of my faith enkindles and strengthens others.

**#279: Why do we need faith and the sacraments in order to live a good, upright life?** When God gives us his strength, we call this "grace". Especially in the sacred signs that we call the Sacraments, God gives us the ability actually to do the good that we want to do.

**#343: How does the Church help us to lead a good, responsible life?** the Church we are baptized and we receive the faith that the Church has preserved intact down through the centuries. In the Church we hear the living Word of God and learn how we must live if we want to please God. Through the sacraments, the Church strengthens us.

## SAINTS & INSPIRATIONAL STORIES

### St Catherine of Siena

Catherine was very wise and knowledgeable about God and religion, even though she had no formal education. During a rough time in the Church, she persuaded the Pope to go back to Rome from Avignon. St. Catherine wrote many letters which are considered among the most brilliant writings in the history of the Catholic Church. She gave her life for Christ and out of love for the Church.



GOSPEL



ANSWERS

"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

— John 8:1-11

## ANSWER IN YOUR OWN WORDS:

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