

Lesson: Attaining unity in the Faith

Overcoming contrary personalities

- I. The essentially passive bond of mutual pleasure:
- II. The essentially active bond of mutual love:
- III. Preserving the bond through forgiveness:
 - A. Objective offenses
 - B. Subjective offenses
 - 1. perceived sins
 - 2. personal irritations

Overcoming contrary opinions

- I. Some observations about belief
 - A. Their representative nature
 - B. Normative and non-normative (i.e., evaluative and non-evaluative)
 - C. Beliefs and true beliefs
 - D. Matters of fact and matters of taste; and how they're easily confused
- II. Our efforts to unify must be propositioned to the importance of the truths to be believed
- III. To know how to overcome disunified belief, we must identify the causes
 - A. Just as unity does not consist in association without truth, neither does it consist in truth without love:
 - B. Low regard for differences of education and experience
 - C. Lack of logical and rhetorical abilities
 - D. Carnal attitudes and habits
 - E. Lack of community