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Are There Two Churches in the World?

It has been suggested that there are two Catholic Churches in the world. One that stands up for what is right and is punished for telling the truth, and one that keeps quiet and is rewarded for not telling the truth. When Jesus gave Peter the keys of Heaven, Our Lord said that the powers of hell shall not prevail against it, meaning his church. So when it is suggested that there are two churches we know that it is not so. Though it looks that way once in awhile, it is not.

What we really have is one group of bishops who say what they think and another group of bishops that say nothing. Having been in the business world for many years, I have learned that if you win the argument you lose the sale. The Pope John Paul II Society members have long accepted the principle that if we see a hole in our front yards we don't wait for someone to break a leg before we fill it in, we just grab a shovel and get to work.

Now, if you are asking yourself where the PJPIISOE stands, we march to the sound of the Canons both the ones that make law and the ones that make noise. We go where we are needed and we support our local Bishop. There may be days that we disagree with our bishop. But there are no days that we disobey him. St. Ignatius of Antioch said, "Do all things through the local Bishops so that the Eucharist is lawful." I have learned that the silence of a bishop is not the sin of omission. You cannot place your self under the Churches protection via confession and communion with out putting yourself under its authority.

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