female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus." Each and every one of us is called to confess our sins to one another and to bring truth into the light.

And so, to answer the "why" question:

- 1.Because full transparency and accountability is the honest and moral path to follow.
- 2.Because without full transparency, God's laws are violated, full trust cannot be restored, and peace and justice cannot prevail.
- 3.Because *with* full transparency and accountability, forgiveness will be generous, justice will have been done, and honor will return.

We cannot ask you to be more transparent if we ourselves are not willing to be so as well. That's why, even though we remain extremely grateful for all you have done to address the sexual abuse issue, we must acknowledge that we remain disappointed that full disclosure is not being pursued.

We, like you, continue to ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the ongoing healing of God's people.

Thank you for listening.

Sincerely,

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