## 34. THE UNITY AND PURITY OF THE CHURCH

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## Background Reading (theological texts for reading beyond the seminar)

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