

Biblical Church Discipline



I. Is All Discipline Negative?

- A. Formative Discipline
- B. Corrective Discipline

II. What Does the Bible Say About Church Discipline?

- A. 1 Cor. 5:1-11
- B. Galatians 6:1
- C. 1 Tim 1:20
- D. 1 Tim 5:19-20
- E. Titus 3:9-11

III. What are the Types of Corrective Church Discipline?

- A. Public Reproof or Censure
- B. Suspension
- C. Excommunication
- D. Restoration

IV. Is Public Confession of Sin ever Appropriate?

- Proverbs 28:13
- Acts 19:18-19
- James 5:16
- Acts 24:16
- Luke 15:21
- 1 John 1:9

V. Why Practice Church Discipline?

- A. For the Good of the Person Disciplined
- B. For the Good of Other Christians, as they See the Danger of Sin
- C. For the Health of the Church as a Whole
- D. For the Corporate Witness of the Church
- E. For the Glory of God as we Reflect His Holiness

VI. What if the Church won't Practice Discipline?

- “A church without discipline can hardly be counted as a church.”
 - ☞ -- Greg Wills
- “If we would see our churches healthy, we must actively care for each other, even to the point of confronting.”
 - ☞ -- Mark Dever
- “When discipline leaves a church, Christ goes with it.”
 - John Dagg