

DISCIPLINE**Reprove, Rebuke, Exhort**

“I charge thee in sight of God, and of Christ Jesus, who shall judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: preach the word; be urgent in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.” (II Timothy 4:1,2).

WHO

1. Disorderly need to be taught to walk in decency. (I Corinthians 14:40).
2. False Teachers to be silenced (Titus 1:9-11).

The One To Be Restored

1. A dislocated member of Christ’s body. He cannot properly function. He is a pain to the whole body. (I Corinthians 12:26).
2. A transgressor; His trespass is not imaginary or supposed, but actual, He has been “overtaken.”

WHO TO ADMINISTER

1. All Christians. “Ye who are spiritual” (Gal. 6:1,2; James 5:16).
2. The Elders (I Thess. 5:12).
3. The whole church (II John 9: I Corinthians 5:12).

DESIGN

1. Good of wrong doer. (Matthew 18:15).
2. Welfare of the church (Ephesians 5:27).
3. Good of the world (Matthew 5:14).

PURPOSE

1. New Testament doctrine must be respected (Romans 16:17).
2. A little leaven, leaveneth the whole lump (I Corinthians 5:6).
3. That a soul may be saved (James 5:16).

END OF DISCIPLINE

1. When Repentance is worked - Discipline is ended (II Corinthians 2:6).
2. When repentance is not worked, we must withdraw fellowship.
3. “Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which they received of us.” (II Thess. 3:6; Matt. 18:15-17)