

Church Discipline

Introduction:

- A. When I visited Jim Patrick in the hospital just before his leg was amputated, he was cheerful and joking. He knew it was better to lose his leg than to lose his life.
 - B. “discipline”: whole training and education of children; e.g., for the body to be healthy, all members need to be healthy
 - C. There is a pattern; will we obey it? - 2 Corinthians 2:9
 - D. How should we exercise discipline in the local church?
- I. Right Attitudes - Proverbs 4:23
- A. purposes - 1 Corinthians 5:5-6
 - B. attitudes - Galatians 6:1-2
 - C. without favoritism - 1 Timothy 5:20-21
 - D. long-suffering - 1 Thessalonians 5:14
- II. Prevention (Vaccination): Teaching - Acts 20:26-27
- III. Correction (Inoculation)
- A. private - 1 Thessalonians 5:14
 - B. public - 1 Timothy 5:19-20
- IV. Withdrawal (Amputation) - 2 Thessalonians 3:6
- A. what it is - Matthew 18:17; Romans 16:17; 1 Corinthians 5:2,5,7,9,11,13
 - B. where it is to take place - 1 Corinthians 5:4
- V. Continued Admonition - 2 Thessalonians 3:15
- VI. Forgiveness - 2 Corinthians 2:6-8
- ### Conclusion:
- A. We cannot afford to overlook sin. - 1 Corinthians 5:6
 - B. Will we obey? - 2 Corinthians 2:9