

I. CHURCH DISCIPLINE

- A. DISCIPLINE IS HARD, BUT GOD IS GOOD** (Heb.12:11; 1Cor.5:5)
- B. A MARK OF A TRUE CHURCH** (see Heb.12:8; Acts 2:42; 1Cor.5:1f)
- C. SKIN: FIGURE FOR OUTER** (2Cor.4:16; see Heb.12:15(Dt.29:18); 1Kngs.8:39; Mt.3:10; 7:17f; Gal.5:19f,22f)
- D. THE AFFLICTIONS OF JOB** (Job 7:7; 30:30; 42:1f; see 1Cor.5:5; Jn.7:24; Num.32:23; 1Tm.5:24f)

II. LEPROSY AND CHURCH DISCIPLINE

- A. SILHOUETTES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT** (1Cor.9:9f; 15:3(Lev.!); Heb.8:5; 10:1; see Lev.14:57)
- B. LEPROSY AS DISCIPLINE FOR SIN** (Num.12:1f,11; 2Kngs.5:27; 2Kngs.15:5; see 2Sam.3:29)
- C. INQUIRY & DETERMINATION** (Lev.13:1f,etc; see Mt.18:15f; Lk.17:4; Heb.12:15(Dt.29:18))
- D. SUSPENSION FROM CHURCH FELLOWSHIP** (Lev.13:4,5,etc.; Num.12:14 /2Th.3:14,15; Mt.18:15f)
- E. EXCLUSION FROM CHURCH FELLOWSHIP** (Lev.13:7,8; 45,46(Lk.17:12); 2Chr.26:21,23; see 1Cor.5:5,13; Mt.18:17; Tt.3:10)

III. CLEANSING AND CHURCH RESTORATION

- A. GOD ALONE CAN HEAL** (Ex.4:1f,6f; Num.12:13; 2Kngs.5:7 /Mt.8:2f; 10:8; 11:5 /Acts 5:31; 2Tm.2:25)
- B. GOD DOES HEAL** (Ex.4:6f; Num.12:15f; 2Kngs.5:14; see Mt.8:2f; 10:8; 11:5; see Acts 11:18)
- C. DECLARATION OF CLEANNESS** (Lev.13:38-41; Lk.17:14; see Col.3:12,13)
- D. RESTORATION FROM SUSPENSION** (Lev.13:4-6; see Mt.18:15f; Lk.17:4; 2Th.3:14f)
- E. RESTORATION FROM EXCLUSION** (Lev.14:1ff; see Heb.9:19,13; see Ex.24; Lev.16; Num.19)

IV. LESSONS FOR FAITH & LIFE

- A. CHURCH DISCIPLINE IS HARD BUT GOD WORKS GOOD BY MEANS OF IT** (Heb.12:11; Ps.119:71; Prov.3:11,12; 6:23f; 12:1f; 13:1,18,24; etc.; 27:6 w/Mt.18:15f; Jms.5:19f)
- B. EVERY TRUE CHURCH DISCIPLINES HER MEMBERS** (see Heb.12:8; Acts 2:42; 1Cor.5:1f; Mt.18:15f; see Eph.6:4; Prov.13:24; 19:18; 23:13f)
- C. THE GOAL OF DISCIPLINE IS TO HONOR GOD, WARN THE CHURCH, SAVE THE SINNER & PREEMPT WRATH** (Lev.10:3; 1Tm.5:20; 1Cor.5:5; 2Chr.19:10)
- D. THE PROCESS OF CHURCH DISCIPLINE IS RESTRAINED, GRADUAL, LONG-SUFFERING** (Ex.34:6,7; 2Chr.36:15f; Rom.2:4; 2Tm.2:24; Mt.18:15f; Acts 20:31; 2Cor.2:4f(1Cor.5:1f))
- E. DO NOT DESPISE DISCIPLINE OR THOSE WHO EXERCISE IT** (Heb.12:5f(Prov.3:11,12,etc.); Dt.8:5; see 1Th.5:12; Heb.12:5f w/13:17; see Eph.6:4; Prov.13:1; 15:5)
- F. TOO MUCH, TOO SOON / TOO LITTLE, TOO LATE: WHO IS ADEQUATE?!** (Heb.12:11; 2Cor.2:15f(4f); 3:4f)
- G. FRUSTRATED DISCIPLINE: BITTER FRUIT** (2Chr.36:15,16f; see 20f; see 1Cor.5:5; 2:6f)
- H. ONLY GOD MAKES DISCIPLINE WORK** (2Kngs.5:7f; Mt.8:2f; 10:8; 11:5 /Acts 5:31; 2Tm.2:25)
- I. DISCIPLINE YOURSELVES** (Lev.13:2,9,19,etc.; 14:2f; see Lk.17:4; Prov.27:6; Mt.18:15f; Rom.15:14,4; Acts 20:31; 2Tm.24f; see Mt.7:5; Gal.6:1f; 1Tm.4:7f; 1Cor.11:31f)

Sermon Discussion Question: "Brethren, what shall we DO!" (Acts 2:37, emphasis *added!*)