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- We might wish that our calling toward the brother who sinned was finished, after we called him to repentance and assured him of forgiveness.
- However, there is more: restore such an one!

Loving the Brother Who Sinned (3) Restoring Him

A. What?

- a. Underlying the text and implied in it are four features of the Christian life.
- b. Understanding this perspective of the Christian life enables us better to understand -
  - i. Our calling to restore one another and bear each other's burdens.
  - ii. The fact that this calling is especially laid on those who are spiritual.

B. How?

- a. Restoring our brother requires us first to examine ourselves: are we spiritually able to help him?
- b. Though not stated explicitly in the text, we help restore him by carrying out three basic activities.

C. Why?

- a. We restore our brother in our service to Christ and fulfilling of His law.
- b. We restore our brother in gratitude to God who does the same to us.