Church Discipline

I. We must start with God

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Isaiah 6:1-4
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Leviticus 11:44-45

1 Peter 1:13-16

II. What does church discipline mean?

Church – Called out ones in a local assembly. Not a building, not a denomination, not leadership. It is all of us who in this room are born again.

Discipline – To train by instruction, to bring a state or order by training and control, to punish or penalize in order to train and control; correct; chastise

- III. Why is this topic so hard?
- IV. What is the purpose of church discipline?

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1 Peter 1:13-16
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Hebrews 12:14-15

2 Peter 3:14

Ephesians 5:25-27

1 Corinthians 5:1-8

1 Timothy 1:18-20

Hebrews 3:12-13

Hebrews 10:24-31

Acts 5:1-11

1 Timothy 5:17-20

V. God Himself administers discipline

Exodus 32:25-28, 35

Number 14:26-35

Numbers 16:23-35

Numbers 21:5-7

2 Samuel 24:15

Numbers 15:32-36

1 Corinthians 10:1-11

Acts 5:1-11

1 Corinthians 11:27-30

Hebrews 12:3-11

VI. What do we do?

Matthew 18:15

1 Thessalonians 5:14

Romans 15:14

2 Thessalonians 3:14-15

Hebrews 3:12-13

Hebrews 10:24-25

Luke: 17:3

Proverbs 9:8

Proverbs 13:18

Proverbs 15:31-32

Proverbs 19:25

Proverbs 13:1

Proverbs 29:1

Proverbs 28:23

Galatians 2:11-14

Matthew 11:20-24

Mark 8:31-33

2 Thessalonians 3:6-15

Matthew 18:15-17

1 Corinthians 5:1-5, 9-12

1 Timothy 1:18-20

Romans 16:17

1 Thessalonians 5:12

2 Timothy 4:1-2

Titus 1:5-13

Titus 2:1-10

Closing thought: Church discipline is one of the things that God works together for the good of His people. He uses it to purify His church; to make it holy, as He is holy. Because of this, we should embrace church discipline when we are called to administer it, and embrace it (and those who bring it) when it comes to us.