

Discipline in the Church

◆ **What is Church discipline?** I Cor. 5:12,13

Though Church discipline is rarely seen today, it pops up quite often in the NT: Mtt. 18:15-18, Rom. 16:17, I Cor. 5:13, Titus 1:13, 3:10, II Thess. 3:6-15. Also see Acts 5:9, I Tim. 1:19,20, Rev. 2:20-23.

◆ **Why is Church discipline necessary to do?**

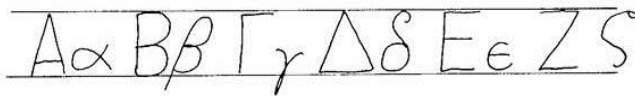
Unchecked sin will spread, I Cor. 5:6,7 plus the goal is II Cor. 11:2.

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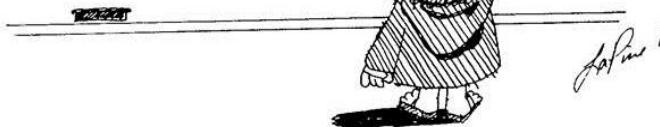
Issues that demand attention: check out above passages for issues of divisiveness, spreading false doctrines, sexual immorality, idle busybody behavior, unresolved sinning against another Christian. Mtt. 18:15-18 discipline: private → plural → public → disfellowship.

◆ **What is the ultimate aim of Church discipline?**

Things to remember: Mtt. 7:3-5, 18:15, Gal. 6:1, II Cor. 2:6-8. Always keep it as private as possible and make it public only as necessary. Discipline = a good thing (Heb. 12:5-11) that seeks to bring about repentance and restoration.



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