

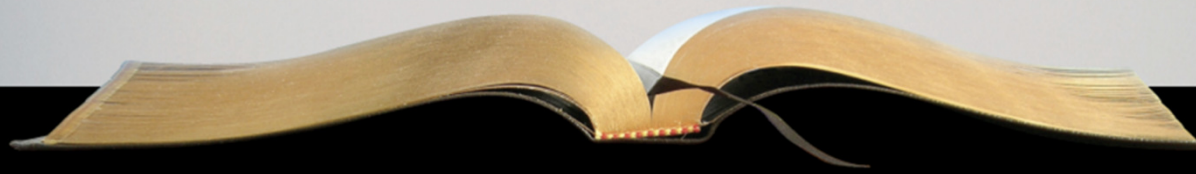
[1 Corinthians]

Lesson 5

Church Discipline

(**Teach to Obey Bible**)

(1 Corinthian 5:1-5, 9-13)



1. The Church Is Wrong to Allow Open, Unrepentant Sin Among Its Members



**Sin:
No Big Deal?**

**The Danger of
Tolerating Sin**

~ 1 Corinthians 5 ~

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(1 Corinthians 5:1) *It is reported (told) commonly (everywhere) that there is fornication (sex sin) among you (in church), and such fornication as is not so much as named among the Gentiles (more bad sin than unsaved), that one should have (sex sin) his father's wife.*



(1 Corinthians 5:2) *And ye are puffed up (**proud**), and have not rather (**different**) mourned (**sad—ashamed—humble**), that he that hath done this deed [**sex sin**] might be **taken away from among you**.*

*End church membership



2. The Church Must Discipline (teach to obey Bible) Open, Unrepentant Sin Among Its Members.



(1 Corinthians 5:3-4) *For I verily (**true**), as absent (**not here**) in body, but present (**here**) in spirit, have judged already (**finished**), as though I were present, concerning him that hath so done this deed (**sex sin**),*
*(4) In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when ye are gathered together, and my spirit, with the power (**authority**) of our Lord Jesus Christ,*

[Mat. 28:18] Jesus has all authority (**power**)
Jesus is the head (**leader**) of the church.



(1 Corinthians 5:5) To deliver (give / allow) such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh (body), that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

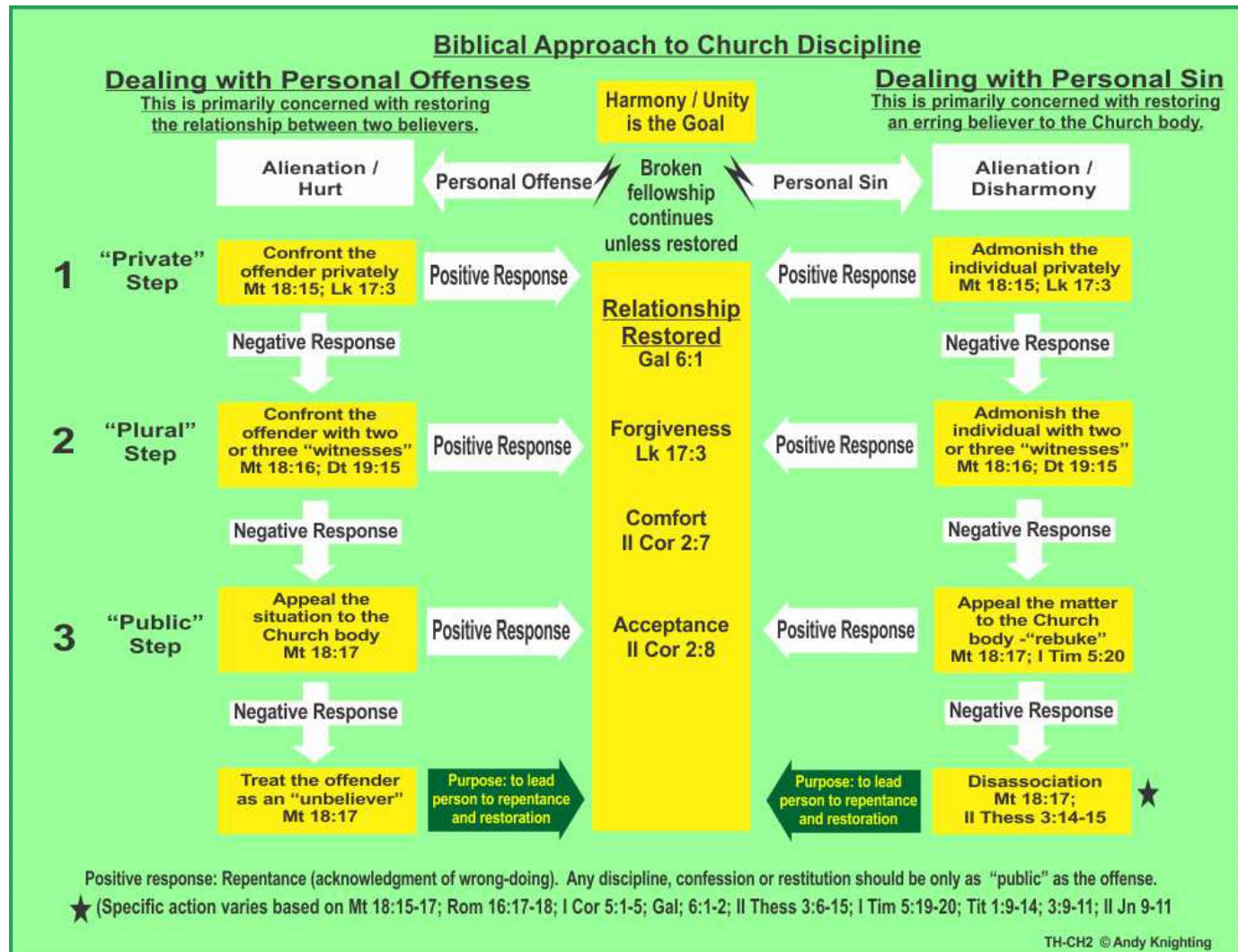
*God will allow Satan to hurt the unrepentant member.

*Satan's purpose is to destroy.

*God's purpose is to restore (teach / cause repentance).



3. Jesus Taught How the Church Should Discipline.



(Matthew 18:15-17) Moreover (*and*) if thy brother shall trespass (*sin*) against thee, go and tell him his fault (*sin*) between **thee and him alone**: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother [*unity*]. (16) But if he will not hear thee, then **take with thee one or two more**, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established (*truth—kept*). (17) And if he shall neglect (*not*) to hear them, tell it unto **the church**: but if he neglect (*not*) to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an **heathen man and a publican** (*same as world—end church member*).

4. The Church Must Judge the Church; Let God Judge the World



(1 Corinthians 5:9-10) *I wrote unto you in an epistle (letter) not to company (be friends) with fornicators (sex sins): (10) Yet not altogether (100%) with the fornicators of this world (non-Christians), or with the covetous, or extortioners (thief), or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world.*

*We are not to be in fellowship (friends/sharing) with Christians who are doing open, unrepentant sins.

*We can and must continue to be kind and witness to the world.

(1 Corinthians 5:11) *But now I have written unto you not to keep company (be friends), if any man that is called a brother (Christian) be a fornicator (sex sin), or covetous (greedy), or an idolater, or a railer (attack with words), or a drunkard, or an extortioner (a lying thief); with such an one (Christian) no not to eat (be friends).*

**We are not to be in fellowship (friends/sharing) with Christians who are doing open, unrepentant sins.*

(1 Corinthians 5:12) *For what have I to do (responsibility) to judge them also that are without (the world)? do not ye judge them that are within (the church)? (13) But them that are without (the world) God judgeth. Therefore put away (end membership and fellowship) from among yourselves that wicked person (member).*

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