



SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM

Sermon: **“Church Discipline” (Matthew 18:15-20)**

Date: **March 14, 2021**

Group Discussion Questions

1. How did the Holy Spirit speak to you through the sermon and the Bible passage this week?
2. What is the context of this passage? How does this passage flow from the passage that precedes it?
3. Before we seek to speak to someone who is in sin, why is self-examination important? Use Scripture to support your answer.
4. How do we determine when a sin is worth confronting in accordance with Matthew 18:15 and when it would be wiser to overlook the offense (Proverbs 19:11, 1 Peter 4:8)?
5. Pastor Jacob said in his sermon, “Church discipline is the priority of the entire congregation.” What did he mean by this? How is this statement rooted in the text?
6. When we approach someone who is in sin, what are some things we must keep in mind? Why is it usually more helpful to ask lots of questions first?
7. What is the purpose of bringing witnesses along with you if your brother does not repent? Use Scripture to support your answer. What happens if the allegation is proved to be false? How can reconciliation be achieved?
8. What is the role of the elders in the church discipline process? What is the purpose and goal of putting someone out of the church?
9. What are the blessings that result from a biblical church discipline process? How is this process an act of love?