

Part 3 - Matthew 18:15 -20

What Kind of Community is Created by the Reign of God?

- ❖ **Read Galatians 6:1**
- ❖ What is Paul telling us today?

- ❖ What is Church discipline and why do we need it within the Church?

- ❖ How does Church discipline differ from worldly discipline?

- ❖ **Read Mathew 18:1 -6**
- ❖ Who does Jesus center on within His discussion with His disciples?

- ❖ **Read Matthew 18:7 -9**
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- ❖ **Read Matthew 18:10 -14**
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- ❖ **Read Matthew 18:15 -20**
- ❖ Who does Jesus center on within His discussion with His disciples?

- ❖ **Read 1 Corinthians 6:1 -8**
- ❖ What would cause a person to take their own brother or sister to court? How serious would this be?

Follow-up questions

- ❖ Some look at this passage as a pattern given to us by our Lord to deal with conflict resolution, in the context that Scripture is giving us is this correct?

- ❖ If this passage is not speaking to conflict resolution what is it speaking to?

- ❖ Why is there a progression from going in private, to taking two or three, to going before the whole church?

- ❖ When we say that the person has wandered away, who has he wandered away from?

- ❖ **Read 1Peter 5:8**
- ❖ What is the devil's role in the world?

- ❖ What does excommunication mean?

- ❖ **Read Galatians 6:1**
- ❖ What is our role as Christians being part of the entire body of Christ? How is this shown in the singular and plural use of verbs in the Matthew reading?

- ❖ What is our Lord telling us in verses 19 & 20?