

Scripture Introduction:

I. We Must Purse Each Other Like Christ (vv.15-20)

A. When (v.15a)

B. How (vv.15b-17)

- Go Gently (v.15b; Gal 6:1)
- Take two or three (v.16; Deut 19:15; Eph 4:29)
- Take it to the elders (v.17a; Ezek 34:16; Acts 20:28; Heb 13:17)
- Censure the unrepentant (17b; 1 Cor. 5-6)

C. Why (v.15b, 20)

II. We Must Forgive Each Other Like Christ (vv.21-35)

A. The Rule Of Forgiveness Is Unconditional (vv.21-22; Luke 23:24; Acts 7:60)

B. The Gospel Is the Model Of Our Forgiveness (vv.23-34; Mtt 6:14; Col 3:13)

C. The Gospel Is Our Power Of Forgiveness (v. 35; Jn 3:3, 5)

Matthew 9
Discussion Questions

Knowing:

1. Considering all that you have observed about this passage, how would you summarize Matthew's main aim/purpose in writing it?
2. What is the ultimate goal of church discipline?
3. What is the main point of the parable of the Unforgiving Servant (vv.23-35)?

Being:

1. The great news of the Gospel is that Jesus pursues and saves sinners. He has shown and continues to give amazing grace to His people. Are you resting in His grace? How can you tell?

Doing:

1. How can you more clearly express the love of Jesus to the church around you?
2. Is there anyone you need to humbly confront concerning sin for their good and for the Father's glory?
3. Is there anyone you need to forgive today as you have been forgiven in Christ?