

Structures to Encourage Biblical Community – Corrective Care– Matthew 18:15-20

1. What is Corrective Care?

2. What is the purpose of Corrective Care?

3. When is Corrective Care needed?

4. How should Corrective Care be carried out?

Questions for Discussion & Application:

1. What was surprising, challenging, or helpful from this study of God's Word?
2. How have we defined Biblical Community? How have we grown in living out this definition of Biblical Community?
3. Discuss the following statement: It is a greater sin to say nothing to your brother about his sin than it is to do a poor job saying something to your brother from the motivation of love.
4. Why is it loving for a church community to hold one another accountable? (see also Galatians 6:1, Hebrews 3:13, James 5:16, etc.)
5. How can corrective care be carried out in a way that makes the motivation of love very clear?
6. What are some reasons that we may find it difficult to practice this kind of mutual accountability towards one another? Why might this be difficult for you?
7. If sin is not lovingly corrected within a church community, as the Scripture instructs, what will be some of the harmful results?
8. Who is the last person that lovingly corrected you through a difficult conversation? Do you appreciate them for this conversation?

9. What can you do to better welcome and encourage accountability from other believers into your own life?

10. How would you pray for someone who has been removed from church membership through the process of corrective care?