Disciple's Quest

If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine.

John 8:31



September 23, 2018

How to Care for a Straying Christian

Matthew 18:10-14

Main Idea:

All of God's "little children" (believers) are precious to Him. He highly values each one, even those who stray, and rejoices at their rescue. Since their restoration so matters to Him, it must be a priority for the leaders and believers who compose His church.

Outline:

1. The Premise

God's love for His believers is vast.

- 2. The Parable
 - Danger
 - Action
 - Reward

3. The Principle

Our God is a reconciling God who delights in the rescue and restoration of those who stray from His fold.

4. The Prescription

	1.	According to today's message, what is the significance of the angels' ministry i 18:10?
	2.	Reflecting on v. 12, what does "straying" mean (generally)?
		What kinds of danger await a Christian who strays from the faith?
	3.	God rejoices greatly over the rescue and restoration of even one believer. Who does this tell you about His character? What action should it inspire you to take
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Questions for further contemplation and application after the message:

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