# DEALING WITH CHURCH PEOPLE 2 Thessalonians 3:6-9

## 1. Be realistic: saved sinners are still sinners

But we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ... (6)

## 2. Be careful: distance yourself from the divisive

...that you withdraw from every brother who walks disorderly and not according to the tradition which he received from us. (6)

## **3.** Be helpful: use your gifts to help others

For you yourselves know how you ought to follow us, for we were not disorderly among you; nor did we eat anyone's bread free of charge, but worked with labor and toil night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you, (7-8)

### 4. Be discerning: follow leaders that live what they teach

not because we do not have authority, but to make ourselves an example of how you should follow us. (9)