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## The Practice of Community Discipline

Matthew 18:15-20 Part B

- I. The Problem (18:15a)
- II. The Process (18:15b-17)
  - A. Private Rebuke (18:15b-d)
  - B. Witnessed Rebuke (18:16)
    - take to take to oneself or to bring along with
      - 1. Its Old Testament Practice
      - 2. Its New Testament Application
  - C. Public Rebuke (18:17a-b)
  - D. Excommunication (18:17c-d)
    - 1. The Practice Explained
    - 2. The Practice Defended
- III. The Promises (18:18-20)
  - A. God's Sovereign Power (18:18)
    - The Object of That Power
      - bound bind . . . shall be bound; bind . . . shall have been
      - loose loosed . . . shall be loosed; loosed . . . shall have been loosed
      - whatever anything, a situation, or a person
    - 2. The Effect of That Power
      - a. As Found in Matthew 16
        - 1) The Nature of the Keys
        - 2) The Implementation of the Keys
      - b. As Found in Matthew 18
  - B. God's Sovereign Answer (18:19)
    - 1. The Condition of the Promise
      - agree harmony, agreement, or concord
      - anything deed, occurrence, task, or matter
    - 2. The Nature of the Promise
  - C. God's Sovereign Presence (18:20)
    - 1. The Time and Place of the Promise
    - 2. The Nature of the Promise