



LIVING IN THE SHEEP-TO-SHEEP RELATIONSHIP

Discussion Group Leader Handout

Text: 1 Thessalonians 5:14-15

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14 We urge you, brethren, admonish the unruly, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with everyone.

15 See that no one repays another with evil for evil, but always seek after that which is good for one another and for all people.

Questions

1. Admonish the unruly

- i. What are ways that you have experienced the unruly in the life of the church or your own life?
- i. What was your response, how did you handle that person and what did you learn from it?
- ii. What are the dangers of having a brother or sister continuing in an unruly manner in the church?

2. Encourage the fainthearted

- i. What does it mean to be small souled?
 - i. What are the dangers of those people in the church?
- ii. How are we to become large souled?

- i. What benefits to one another, to our families, and to our ministries are there when we are large souled?

3. Help the weak

- i. When you encounter someone with weak faith, how do you seek to help them?
 - i. What is your counsel to them?
 - ii. What practical ways do you support them?
 - iii. How can our faith be strengthened?

4. Be patient with everyone

- i. When you come across a brother or sister who is living in a way that causes frustration for you, how should you respond?
 - i. Why is having patience with all men challenging?
 - ii. How can we read of the patience of Christ in his ministry and be encouraged?

5. Seek after that which is good

- i. What are the dangers of leaving unattended evil among the flock?
- ii. What are your steps to counsel someone who is living in an evil way in the church?
 - i. Is it only on the pastors and elders to deal with evil in the church?
 - ii. How can you equip yourself as member to be ready to identify and work through these types of problems?

Prayer Requests

- *Pray that ABC would seek the Word to equip ourselves for the work of ministry and the problems that come.*
- *Pray that ABC would be bolstered in their faith, grow and mature in Christ like-ness, and to seek to encourage one another to love and good deeds.*
- *Pray that ABC would exhort one another in the truth of God's Word to quench sin and move forward in power through the Holy Spirit to the glory of God*