




{CONFLICT IN THE CHURCH}

— BEHAVING WITH GRACE AND LOVE —

A photograph of two reindeer with large antlers facing each other in a grassy field, positioned at the top of the slide.

“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!” —*Psalm 133:1*

PROCESS OF OBEDIENCE

When You Are At Fault

(Matthew 5:23-24)

Matthew 6:14-15 For if you forgive others for their transgressions, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others, then your Father will not forgive your transgressions.

Ephesians 4:26-27 Be angry, and yet do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not give the devil an opportunity.

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When The Other Person Is At Fault

(Matthew 18:15-17)

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Deuteronomy 19:15 A single witness shall not rise up against a man on account of any iniquity or any sin which he has committed; on the evidence of two or three witnesses a matter shall be confirmed.

John 8:17 Even in your law it has been written that the testimony of two men is true.

Hebrews 10:28 Anyone who has set aside the Law of Moses dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.

PROCESS OF OBEDIENCE

“Take one or two more with you.”

2 Corinthians 13:1 This is the third time I am coming to you. Every fact is to be confirmed by the testimony of two or three witnesses.

1 Timothy 5:19 Do not receive an accusation against an elder except on the basis of two or three witnesses.

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Romans 16:17 Now I urge you, brethren, keep your eye on those who cause dissensions and hindrances contrary to the teaching which you learned, and turn away from them.

PROCESS OF OBEDIENCE

“Tell it to the church.”

1 Corinthians 5:3-5 For I, on my part, though absent in body but present in spirit, have already judged him who has so committed this, as though I were present. In the name of our Lord Jesus, when you are assembled, and I with you in spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus, I have decided to deliver such a one to Satan for the destruction of his flesh, so that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

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“Tell it to the church.”

2 Thessalonians 3:6 Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from every brother who leads an unruly life and not according to the tradition which you received from us.

2 Thessalonians 3:14 If anyone does not obey our instruction in this letter, take special note of that person and do not associate with him, so that he will be put to shame.

DANGERS OF DISOBEDIENCE

Ungodly Attitudes

Anger

Cain — Genesis 4:5-8

Saul — 1 Samuel 20:30-33

Moses — Numbers 20:7-12

Bitterness

David & Michal — 2 Samuel 6:16-23

DANGERS OF DISOBEDIENCE

The Damaging Impact On Others

Bitterness Defiles Congregations


Hebrews 12:14-15 *Pursue peace with all men, and the sanctification without which no one will see the Lord. See to it that no one comes short of the grace of God; that no root of bitterness springing up causes trouble, and by it many be defiled;*

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1 Corinthians 5:6 *Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump of dough?*

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God's plan fails, not because He lacks wisdom (*Psalms 147:5*), but because men are stubborn and rebellious in implementing it (*Proverbs 17:11*).

