



Healthy Church

Session Nine: Fellowship

HEALTHY CHURCH

WORSHIP, GIVING, PRAYER

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

JOHN 13:34-35; COLOSSIANS 3:12-17; HEBREWS 10:24-25

1. IN HEALTHY CHURCHES, MEMBERS _____

JOHN 13:34-35

2. IN HEALTHY CHURCHES, MEMBERS _____ ONE ANOTHER

HEBREWS 10:24-25

3. IN HEALTHY CHURCHES, MEMBERS _____ ONE ANOTHER

COLOSSIANS 3:12-17

APPLY

Joining a community of believers can be difficult because it is made up of imperfect people just like you. But community is worth the pursuit. The Bible makes clear that we cannot live fully as God intends in isolation. What further step do you need to take toward fellowship in the church this week?



LOOKING TO NEXT WEEK...

LESSON #10

CHURCH DISCIPLINE

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

HEBREWS 12:5-13; MATTHEW 18:15-17; 1 CORINTHIANS 5:1-13

THE LESSON AT A GLANCE

"Discipline" may conjure up negative ideas. Whether we're talking about the discipline to get up early to exercise, to stop adding impulse purchases to our shopping carts, or to avoid that second piece of dessert, discipline is something we rarely enjoy.

But the Bible teaches us that discipline is a good thing. God disciplines us as a sign of His love, and a way to grow our faith.

Sometimes, discipline is corrective. When believers reject God's Word, sinning against one another, it is the job of other believers to shine the light on sin and seek to restore one another to fellowship.

Today, as we talk about church discipline, look for ways God's corrective action can be a gift and blessing in the lives of those He loves.

THE MAIN IDEA

God disciplines those He loves. Church discipline, while difficult, ultimately seeks to demonstrate love, work for reconciliation, and pursue holiness.

QUESTIONS TO EXPLORE

What is church discipline and what is its place in the church today?

