Series: Rediscover Church

Today: The Ministry of Care-fronting

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***1 Thessalonians 5:14***

*And we urge you, brothers and sisters, warn those who are idle and disruptive, encourage the disheartened, help the weak, be patient with everyone.*

***2 Thessalonians 3:14-15***

*14Take special note of anyone who does not obey our instruction in this letter. Do not associate with them, in order that they may feel ashamed. 15Yet do not regard them as an enemy, but warn them as you would a fellow believer.*

Neighborhood Watch Group (Image)

1. A 2022 Church With Teeth
2. Formative Discipline = teaching, modeling and encouraging
3. Correctional Discipline = admonishing and rebuking
4. Three Case Studies That Inform A 2022 Church

***1 Corinthians 5:1-13***

*It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and of a kind that even pagans do not tolerate: A man is sleeping with his father’s wife. 2And you are proud! Shouldn’t you rather have gone into mourning and have put out of your fellowship the man who has been doing this?*

*3For my part, even though I am not physically present, I am with you in spirit. As one who is present with you in this way, I have already passed judgment in the name of our Lord Jesus on the one who has been doing this.*

*4So when you are assembled and I am with you in spirit, and the power of our Lord Jesus is present, 5hand this man over to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be saved on the day of the Lord.*

*6Your boasting is not good. Don’t you know that a little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough? 7Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch—as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. 8Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old bread leavened with malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.*

*9I wrote to you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people— 10not at all meaning the people of this world who are immoral, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters. In that case you would have to leave this world. 11But now I am writing to you that you must not associate with anyone who claims to be a brother or sister[*[*c*](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+corinthians+5&version=NIV#fen-NIV-28466c)*] but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or slanderer, a drunkard or swindler. Do not even eat with such people.*

*12What business is it of mine to judge those outside the church? Are you not to judge those inside? 13God will judge those outside. “Expel the wicked person from among you.”*

***Matthew 18***

*15“If your brother or sistersins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. 16But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that ‘every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.’ 17If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the church; and if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector.*

***Galatians 6:1***

*Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted.*

1. Care-Fronting In 2022
2. A community of grace has strong boundaries and leaders.
3. A community of grace examines itself honestly and quickly.
4. A community of grace does not quickly condemn.
5. A community of grace does not blandly condone.
6. A community of grace follows the Jesus process.
7. A community of grace aims to restore and protect.