

*Restoring The
Erring*

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- ⇒ Salvation & Fellowship are Precious
- ⇒ Lost Things
- ⇒ Restoring The Erring

Discipline

A Tool of Restoration

Discipline

- Not a popular subject.
- Conjures negative thoughts and feelings.
- For this reason, most leaders shy away from the responsibility.
 - Some simply refuse.
 - Others make excuses or put stipulations upon it that God has not placed.

Discipline

Much broader topic than we might think

1. Positive or Instructive Discipline
2. Negative or Corrective Discipline

Discipline

Positive or Instructive

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- Preaching
 - Gospel Preachers
 - 2 Tim. 4:2
- Teaching
 - Elders
 - 1 Tim. 3:2
 - All Members
 - 2 Tim. 2:24



Positive or Instructive Discipline



- 📖 This very Action of Worship
is an act Discipline
 - 📖 Bible Class
 - 📖 Our Gospel Meeting
 - 📖 Our Lectureship

Positive or Instructive Discipline

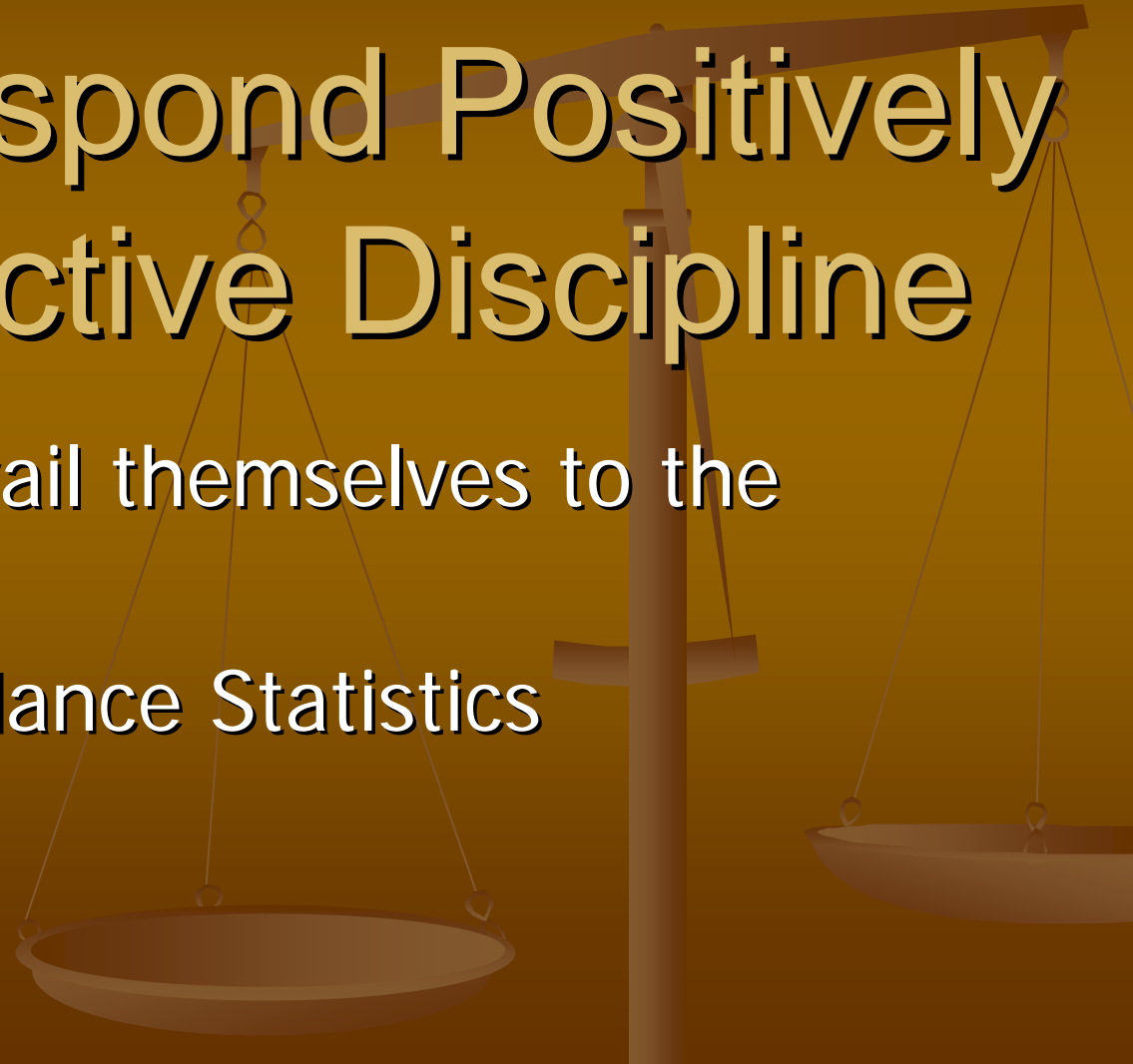
This area will make up the
majority of our Disciplining
Actions!



The Sad Truth

Not All Respond Positively To Instructive Discipline

- Some do not avail themselves to the opportunities.
- Consider Attendance Statistics



Discipline

Negative or Corrective

Negative or Corrective Discipline

Definitely taught more
prominently in Scripture than it is
practiced in the church!

This Would Be A

Sad Truth For Any Bible Topic

Point of Clarity

- When we say “Negative Discipline” we are not speaking of negative in the conventional sense.

This May Be

Part Of The Problem

Negative or
Corrective Discipline

***As many as I love, I rebuke
and chasten (Rev. 3:19).***



Negative or
Corrective Discipline

Hebrews 12:5-13



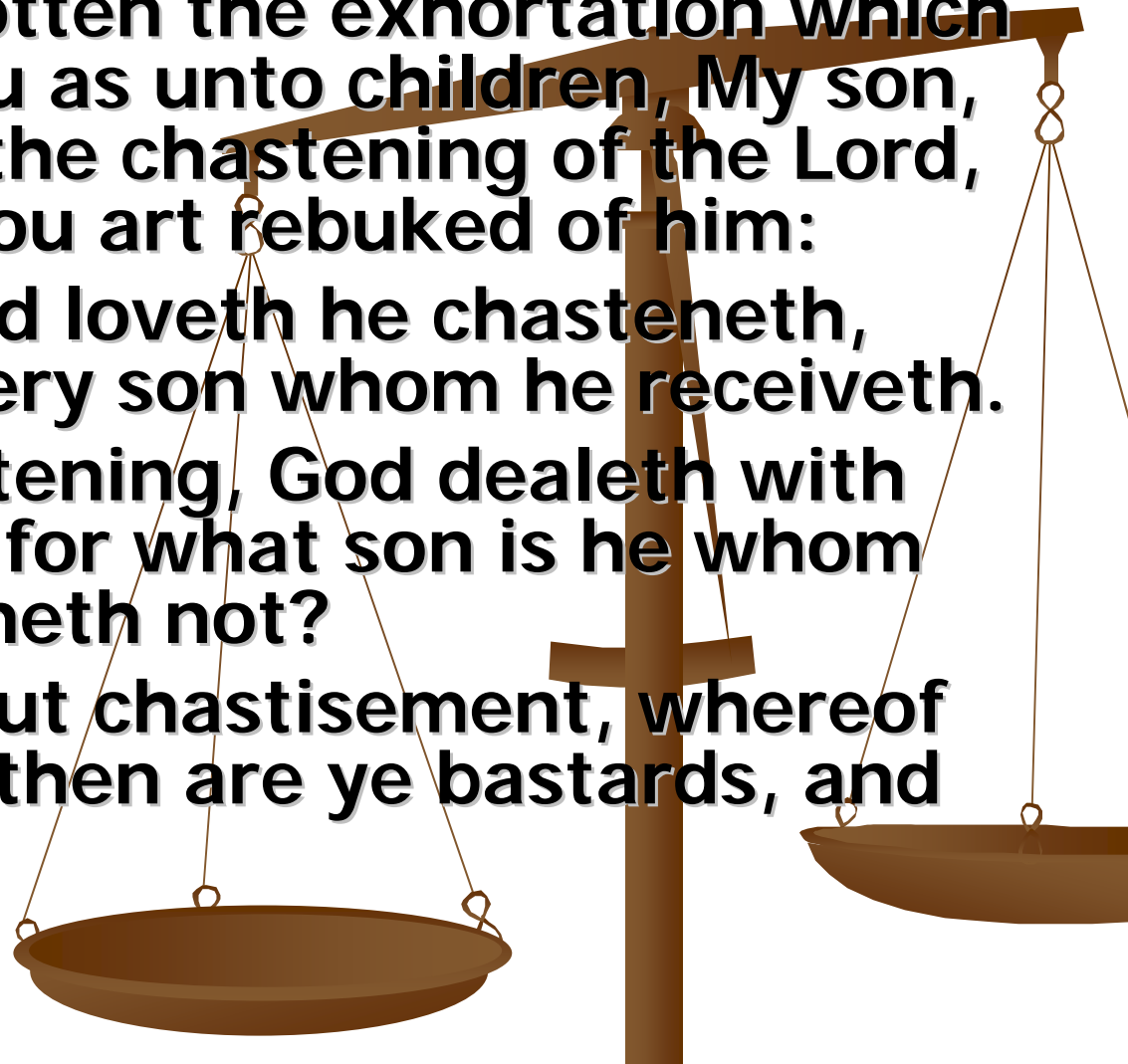
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And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:

For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?

But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons.

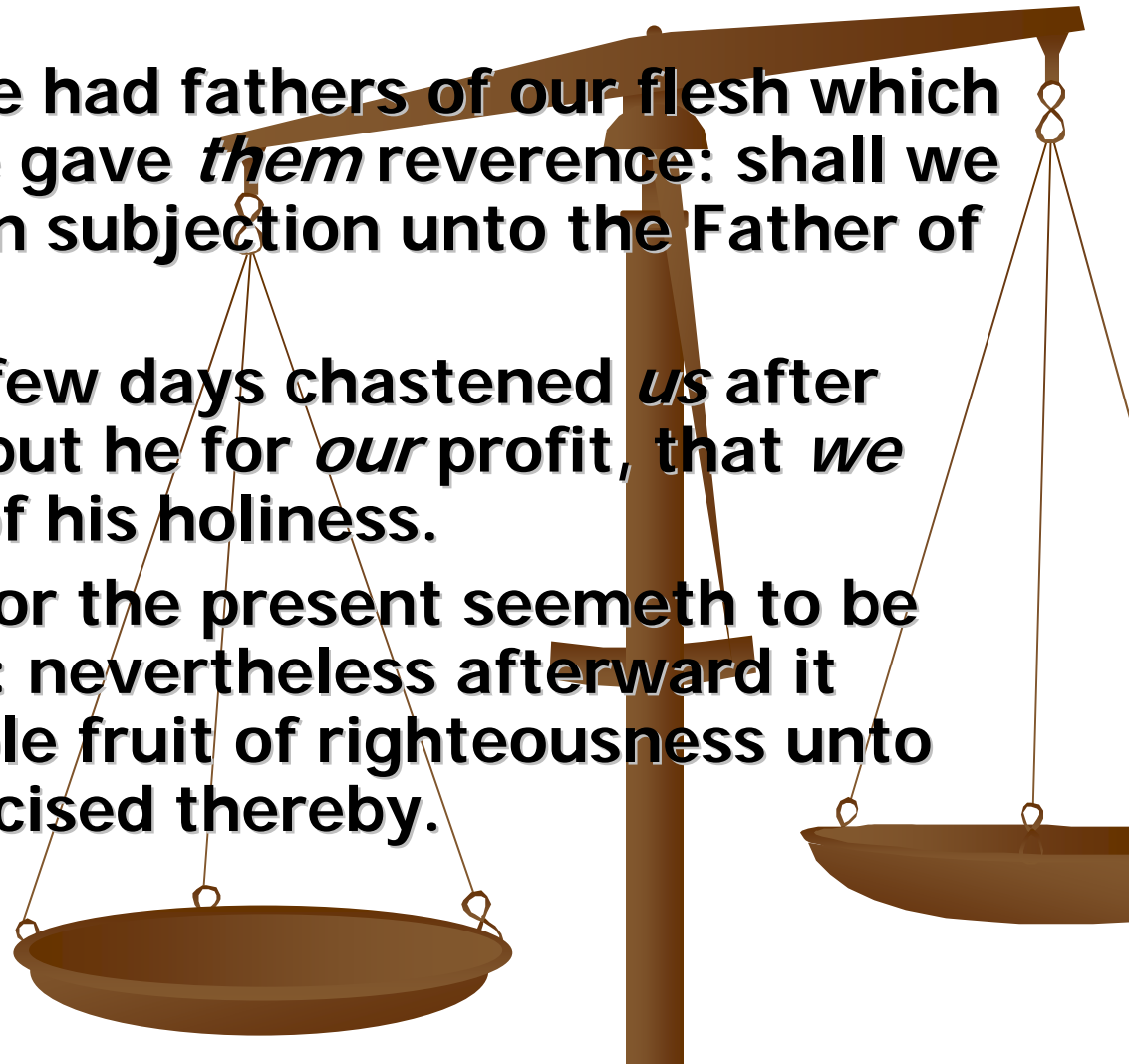


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Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected *us*, and we gave *them* reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live?

For they verily for a few days chastened *us* after their own pleasure; but he for *our* profit, that *we* might be partakers of his holiness.

Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.

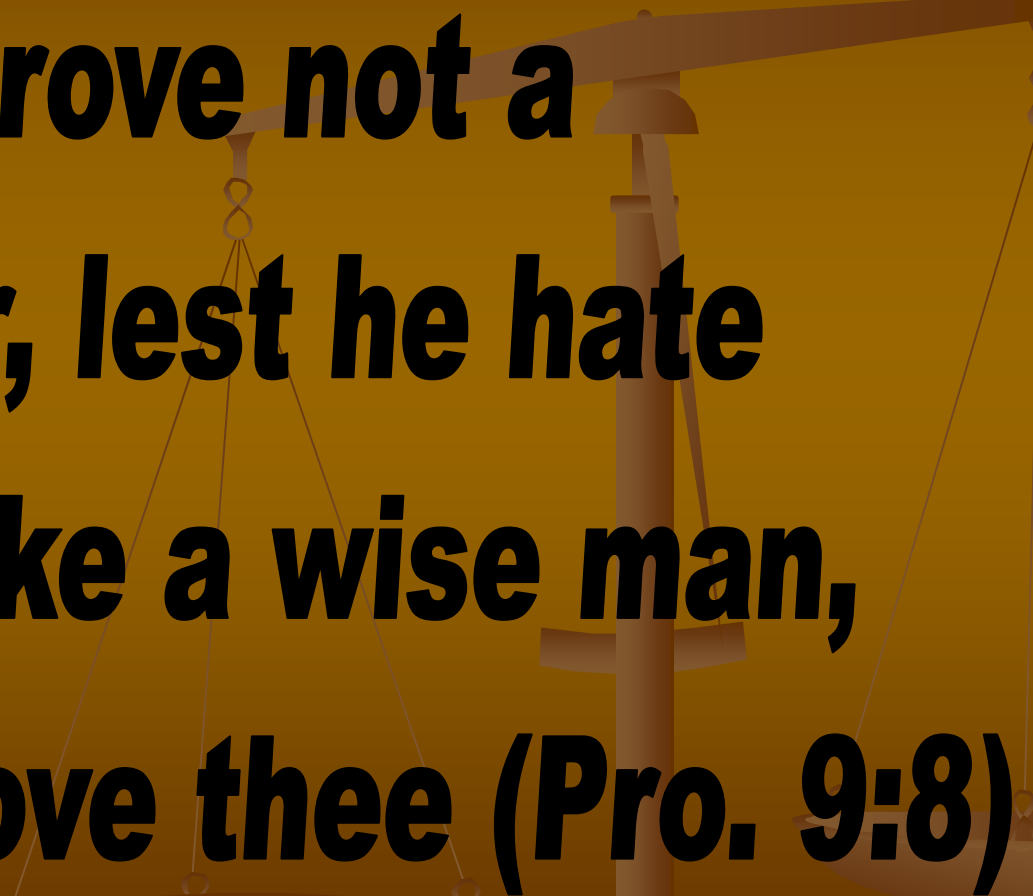


Negative or Corrective Discipline

Open rebuke is better

than secret love (Pro. 27:5)

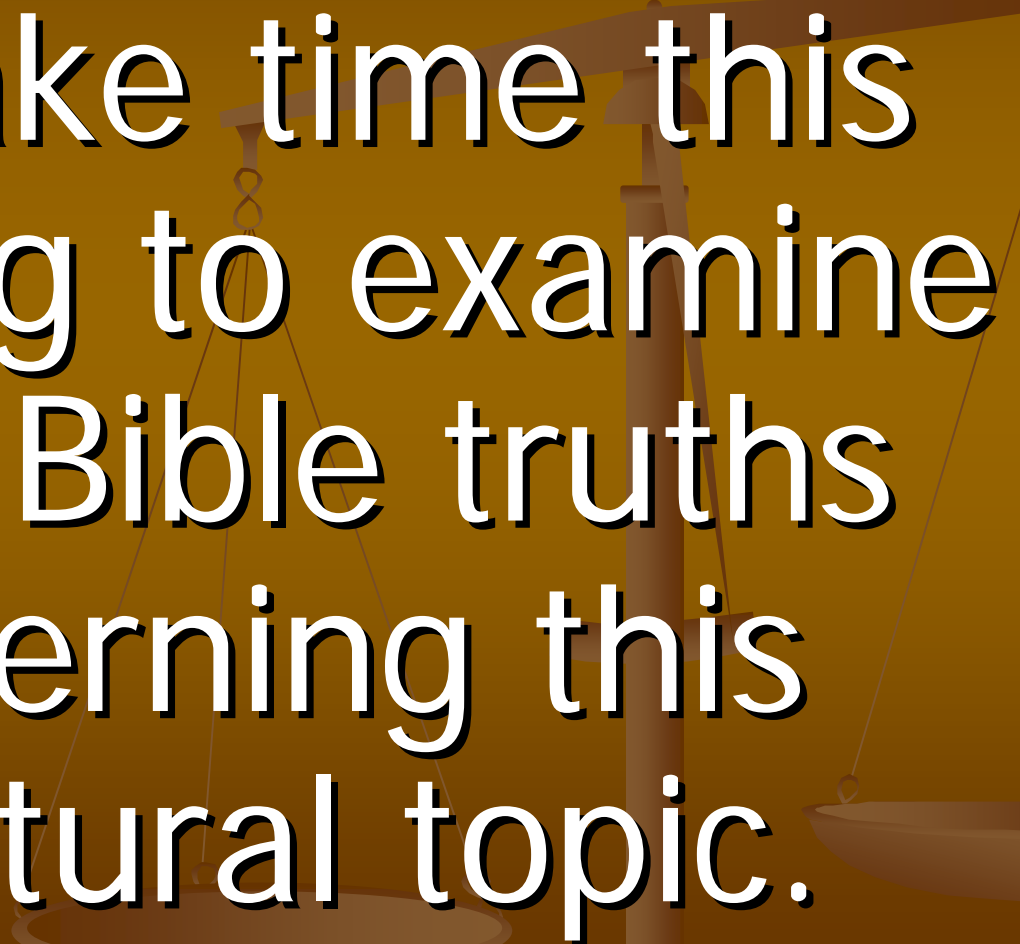
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**Reprove not a
scorner, lest he hate
thee: rebuke a wise man,
and he will love thee (Pro. 9:8)**

Negative or Corrective Discipline

Let's take time this morning to examine some Bible truths concerning this Scriptural topic.



Negative or Corrective Discipline

We are looking at a
process --

Not a single action!

Negative or Corrective Discipline

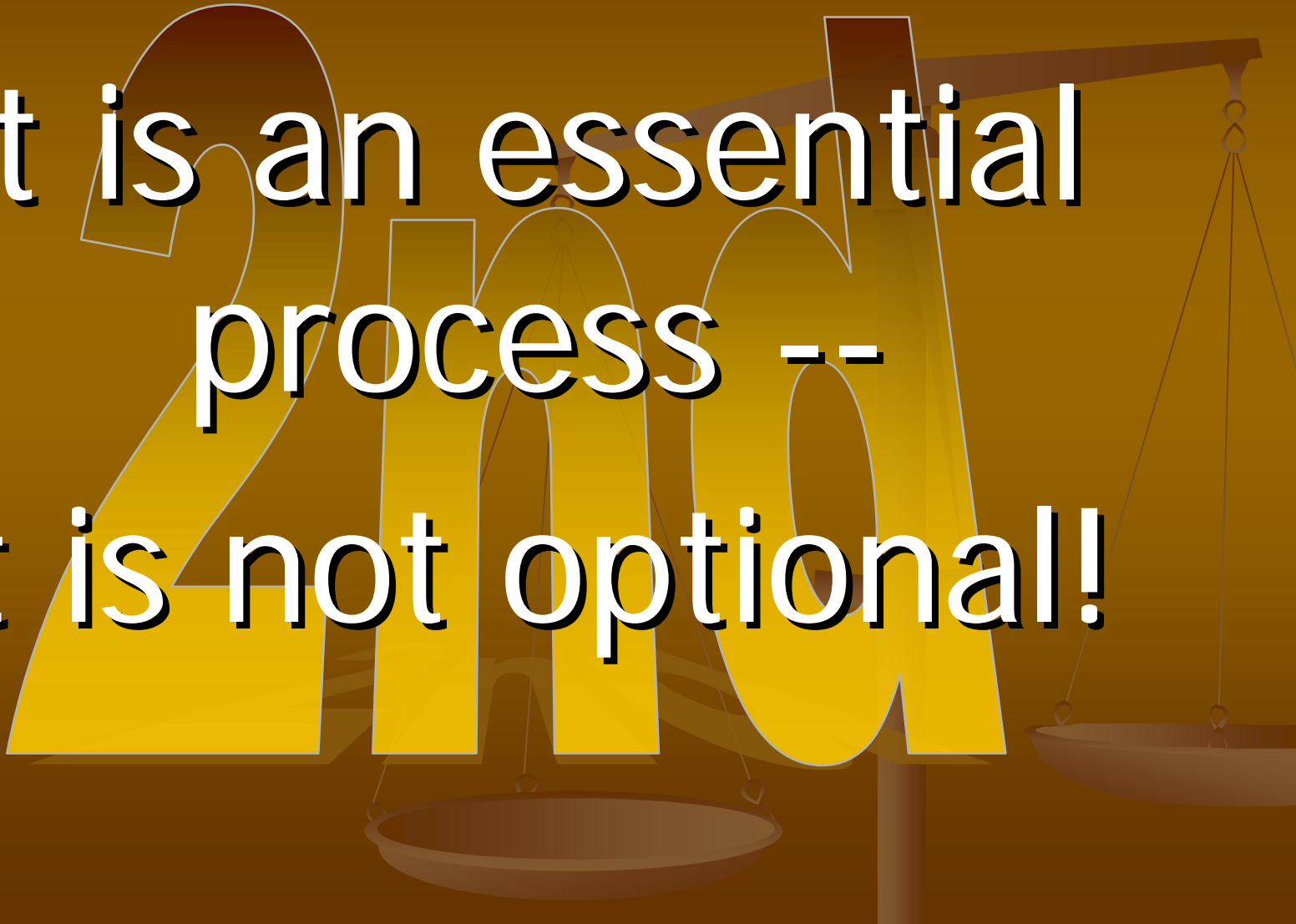
- Matthew 18:15-17

Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. But if he will not hear *thee*, *then* take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell *it* unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican.

Negative or Corrective Discipline

It is an essential
process --

It is not optional!



Negative or Corrective Discipline

■ 1 Corinthians 5

- ❖ Paul had already determined (v. 3).
- ❖ What was Paul's judgment?
 - ❖ To deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus (v. 5).

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- ❖ Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person (13).

Negative or Corrective Discipline

Notice some
additional
passages!

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Negative or Corrective Discipline

- 2 Corinthians 2
- 2 Thessalonians 3:6
 - ❖ Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us

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- 2 Corinthians 2
- 2 Thessalonians 3:6
- 2 Thessalonians 3:14, 15
 - ❖ And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed.
Yet count *him* not as an enemy, but admonish *him* as a brother.

Finally

Some Closing
Thoughts