

Matthew 18:15

RESTORE
US

AGAIN.

The Goodness and Necessity
of Biblical CONFRONTATION

The background is a dramatic, abstract composition. The top and bottom portions are filled with dark, textured, greyish-brown clouds, suggesting a storm or a heavy, overcast sky. A thick, vibrant orange horizontal band cuts across the middle, creating a stark contrast with the dark tones. The overall mood is intense and somber.

When Confrontation Should Happen

If Your Brother Sins

- This is family language, saint
 - If unsaved, pursue salvation most
- This is sin, not quiriness

Use Your Mirror

- What order of operations? Lk 17:3-4
- Have you read God's Word? Jas 1:19-25
- You who are spiritual, Gal 6:1. Where are you in need of repentance?
 - Bitterness, resentment, rage, envy
 - Cowardice, gossip, and self-righteousness
 - And you love your brother, Matt 22:36



How Confrontation Should Happen

Go

- Cautions about this command
 - To the eager... wait a minute
 - To the conflict-avoidant... stop waiting
- In the spirit of meekness, Gal 6:1
- Begin with yourself in confession

Tell Him His Fault

- Golden Rule (command, always), Mt 7:12
- Golden Result (proverbial, typically)
- Questions convict, Gen 3 & 4
- Direct: often leads to teaching, Lk 13:1ff
- Indirect: often leads to participation, Jn 4
- Begin and end with the good, Rev 2

Between You And Him Alone

- This is the least painful option
- Sometimes change happens slowly
 - Give him space to think/process
 - Rejoice in progress



Why Confrontation Should Happen

He Listens

- This is the essential ingredient: humility
 - Faith comes by hearing, Rom 10:17; Gal 3:2
 - God is faithful in opposing our pride
- If he listens to you
 - You go in obedience to your Lord, not because the result is inevitable
 - Fear is not the deciding factor

You Have Gained Your Brother

- Is this your goal?
 - Or do you want to win an argument...
 - Or 'justify' yourself...
- What value do you place on the Body of Christ?
 - "Whoever receives one such child in My Name receives Me" Mt 18:5

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