

## The Courage to Confront: Love That Restores

## **KEY SCRIPTURES**

• Matthew 18:15-17

## **SUPPORTING TEXT**

- 1 Peter 4:8
- Ephesians 4:15
- Galatians 6:1
- Deuteronomy 19:15
- 2 Corinthians 13:1
- 1 Corinthians 5:4-5
- Hebrews 3:13
- James 5:19-20
- 1 John 2:19
- 1 Corinthians 5:11-13
- Luke 5:27-32
- John 4
- Matthew 9:9
- Ephesians 5:27
- 2 Corinthians 2:6-8
- Matthew 18:12

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## **REFLECTION QUESTIONS**

Who in my life has sinned against me, and have I followed Jesus' command to go to them personally and lovingly? (Be honest-have I talked to others more than I've talked to them?)

When someone confronts me about sin in my life, how do I typically respond—defensively, dismissively, or with humility and openness?

Am I more concerned with being right or being reconciled in my relationships with fellow believers?

Have I ever been a part of helping restore someone caught in sin? If so, did I approach it with gentleness, truth, and a heart for their healing?

Is there anyone I've stopped pursuing relationally because it was easier to let go than to lovingly confront or forgive? What might Jesus be asking me to do now?

Do I truly believe that church discipline is an act of love and protection—not punishment—and am I willing to support it with grace and courage when necessary?

MESSAGE NOTES		