# Digging Deeper- Discussion for Family Worship and Small Groups 10/30/2022

**Sermon Title:** **Loving One Another Well by Practicing Church Discipline**

**Passage:** Matthew 18:15-20

**Context:** Jesus teaches his followers how the church should handle sin in its membership.

**Main Idea:** *“****Jesus commands his church to practice church discipline from a loving heart and for the purpose of restoring those who have strayed.***

**Main Points:**

I. Christ commands us to love one another well by first confronting sin privately. (v.15)

Ref. James 5:19-20

II. Christ commands us to love one another well by confronting sin cautiously when a brother or sister refuses to repent. (v.16)

Ref. Deuteronomy 19:15; 1 Timothy 5:19-20

III. Christ commands us to love one another well by confronting sin corporately when a brother or sister refuses to repent. (v.17)

IV. Loving one another well by practicing church discipline is ultimately the responsibility of the congregation. (vv.18-20)

Ref. 1 Corinthians 5:1-5

**Discussion Questions:**

1. What did you learn about God’s attributes and promises?
2. What challenges you about the message?
3. Were you convicted of any specific sin in your life? Through God’s grace and the power of His Spirit, how will you deal with this sin?
4. What does this Scripture require of me?
5. How will you practically implement these truths?
6. What in this passage points to our need for Jesus?