



Messy 2016
Spiritual Discipline, 1 Cor. 5:1-13
By Louie Marsh, 6-12-2016

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THE PROBLEMS:

1) Believers slowly being spiritually _____

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2) Believers _____ the world.

¹⁰ *not at all meaning the sexually immoral of this world, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters, since then you would need to go out of the world.* 1 Corinthians 5:10 (ESV)

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BIBLICAL DISCIPLINE:

1) I need to be _____ by God's truth.

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2) Believers must hold each other _____

¹¹ *But now I am writing to you not to associate with anyone who bears the name of brother if he is guilty of sexual immorality or greed, or is an idolater, reviler, drunkard, or swindler—not even to eat with such a one.* ¹² *For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Is it not those inside the church whom you are to judge?* ¹³ *God judges those outside. “Purge the evil person from among you.”* 1 Corinthians 5:11-13 (ESV)

3) I must be willing to love _____ like Jesus does.

³ *For though absent in body, I am present in spirit; and as if present, I have already pronounced judgment on the one who did such a thing.* ⁴ *When you are assembled in the name of the Lord Jesus and my spirit is present, with the power of our Lord Jesus,* ⁵ *you are to deliver this man to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord.* 1 Corinthians 5:3-5 (ESV)

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