

Sharpening the Skill of Forgiveness #9

“Within the Ranks”

Matthew 18:15-17

Rebellion leads to Rebuke

Matthew 18:15-17 - Jesus outlines the steps we take when a brother or sister s_____ against us.

1 Corinthians 5:12-13 - This only applies to b_____.

Matthew 18:15 - First we must go p_____. Do not t_____ about it to anyone else!

Matthew 18:15; Galatians 6:1 - Second we must go p_____.

We should try to w_____ a brother, not an argument!

Matthew 18:16 - Third we must go p_____. Don't give up after one try. Take another p_____ as a witness.

Refusal leads to Removal

Matthew 18:17 - If the person refuses to repent, he or she must be r_____ from the Christian community.

1 Corinthians 5:1-2; Titus 3:10 - This removal means not c_____ with them at all.

The goal of this is r_____, not final exclusion.

Repentance leads to Restoration

2 Corinthians 2:6-8 - When an erring brother or sister repents, the church must r_____ them to the fellowship.

We should not hold one s_____ over a person's head for the rest of their l_____.

2 Corinthians 2:10-11 - When a church is unforgiving, we allow Satan to o_____ us. He wins!

Word Search - Matthew 18:15-21

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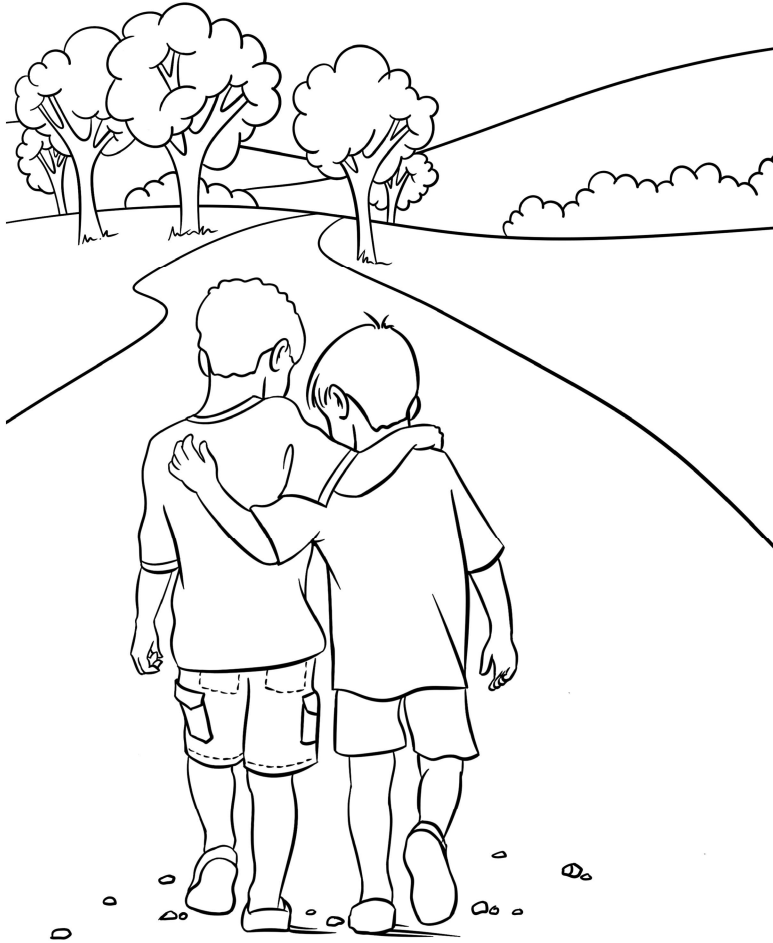
TIMES

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WITNESSES

We forgive our Christian
brothers and sisters



*Forgiving each other, just as in Christ
God forgave you.
(Ephesians 4:32)*

Within the Ranks



*Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin,
you who are spiritual should restore
him gently.
(Galatians 6:1)*