

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Matthew 18:20 (KJV)



Matthew 18:15-20 (ESV)

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. 16 But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses.

Matthew 18:15-20 (ESV)

17 If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. 18 Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Matthew 18:15-20 (ESV)

19 Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."

For what have I to do with judging outsiders?

Is it not those inside the church whom you are to judge?

1 Corinthians 5:12 (ESV)

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. 13 Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. 14 And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Colossians 3:12-14 (ESV)

Go privately

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- ✓ If he listens!
- ✓ If not...

Take a 1 or 2 others

But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. Matthew 18:16 (ESV)

- ✓ If he listens!
- ✓ If not...

Bring it to the church

If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. Matthew 18:17 (ESV)

- ✓ If he listens!
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Bring it to the church

And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

Matthew 18:17 (ESV)

- Go in confidence
 - Of God's Word

Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Matthew 18:18 (ESV)

- Go in confidence
 - Of Christ's authority

Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven.

Matthew 18:19 (ESV)

- Go in confidence
 - Of Christ's presence

For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."

Matthew 18:20 (ESV)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! 18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: 19 that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

2 Corinthians 5:17-19 (NIV)