



True Community Restores

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“Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves. Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else...” Gal. 6:1-4

1. The attitude of the confessing offender – humility and honesty

- Truth tell

“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” 1 Jn. 1:9

- Mind change
- Form change

“Do not conform to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will.” Rom. 12:2

2. The attitude of the restoring community – humility and gentleness

- Carry each other’s burdens
- Beware of the arrogance of comparisons

“For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.” Luke 18:14

3. The attitude of our reconciling God – transforming mercy and grace

“Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up, take your mat and walk’?” Mark 2:9