THE MIDDLE SEAT

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Text: 1 Corinthians 5

This passage is about how the church deals with a unrepentant member of the church body living in flagrant sin.

For it is time for judgment to begin with God's household. 1 Peter 4:17

What should the church do when in this situation?

_____ Correct the Sinner

It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and of a kind that even pagans do not tolerate. 1 Corinthians 5:1

Shouldn't you rather have gone into mourning and have put out of your fellowship the man who is doing this? 1 Corinthians 5:2

When you are assembled in the name of the Lord Jesus and my spirit is present, with the power of our Lord Jesus, 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 5:4-5

Correct the Church

When sin is allowed to fester... Your boasting is not good. Don't you know that a little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough? Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch—as you really are. 1 Corinthians 5:6-7

_____ Affect the World

The reason why we are to judge sin with those on the inside of the church is not to reject them, but to restore them.