

The Church: Problems with People

How do we deal with . . .

- I. Those who _____ from us?
 - _____ with them (Col 3:13a)
- II. Those who _____ against us?
 - _____ them (Col 3:12-13; Eph 4:32)
- III. Those who are _____ to God?
 - _____ them as family (2 Thess 3:13-15)
 - _____ them publicly (1 Tim 5:19-20)
- IV. Those who are _____ in the church?
 - _____ them (Rom 16:17; Tit 3:10-11)
- V. Those who are _____ in life?
 - _____ from them (2 Thess 3:6-12)
- VI. Those who are _____ away by sin?
 - _____ them (Gal 6:1; Ja 5:19-20)
- VII. Those who are _____ regarding sin?
 - _____ them (Mt 18:15-17; 1 Cor 5:1-13)

The Erring

Think gently of the erring;
You know not of the power
With which the dark temptation came
In some unguarded hour;

You may not know how earnestly
They struggled, or how well,
Until the hour of weakness came
And sadly thus they fell.

Think gently of the erring;
Oh, do not now forget
However darkly stained by sin,
He is your brother yet;

Heir of the self-same heritage,
Child of the self-same God.
He has but stumbled in the path
Which you in weakness trod.

Speak gently to the erring;
You yet may lead them back,
With holy words and tones of love,
From misery's thorny track;

Forget not you have sometimes sinned,
And sinful yet may be;
Deal gently with the erring, then,
As God has dealt with thee.

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