

LOVE YOUR BROTHER

Obadiah 1:1 – 21

- Genesis 25:23, Genesis 27:40, Deuteronomy 2:4-5

Love your brother by ...

1. dealing with _____ sin biblically. 1:1-14

- Numbers 20:21

➤ Biblically dealing with my sin means, I own and take responsibility for 100% of my sin.

Biblical forgiveness means ...

I promise not to bring it up again to you or anyone else.

I promise not use it against you in the future.

I promise not to dwell on it.

➤ An angry, bitter person almost always has sin they need to deal with biblically.

2. dealing with _____ sin biblically. 1:1-14

[Biblical] love is giving someone what they need most, when they deserve it least, at great personal cost to yourself. ~Chip Ingram

Be prepared. Matthew 7:5b, Galatians 6:1, James 1:5

Have the right goal. Ephesians 4:15, Galatians 6:1

➤ All of us find it easier either to speak truth or speak love; we all need to work hard to speak the truth in love.

➤ Don't go, until you are prepared and you have the right goal and the right attitude.

Go alone and in private. Matthew 18:15

How important it is to get down to brass tacks. ... There are real people involved. ... Abstractions and generalizations will solve few problems. ~Jay Adams

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➤ *How you say it, is as important as what you say.*

Go with two or three others, in private. Matthew 18:16

➤ *The only side they are to take is God's.*

Go to church leadership, in private. Matthew 18:17

Go to the church, in public. Matthew 18:18, Philipians 3:12-13, Psalm 103:12

3. dealing with _____ pride. 1:2-4, 12

Pride is a rejection of God.

Pride is deceptive.

Pride reaps what it sows. Obadiah 1:15

[O]ur self-confidence will be like a feather in a hurricane when God's wrath is revealed from heaven. ~John Piper

[The greatest enemy to human souls is the self-righteous spirit which makes men look to themselves for salvation. ~Charles Spurgeon

The Cross ... exposes me before the eyes of other people, informing them of the depth of my depravity. If I wanted others to think highly of me, I would conceal the fact that a shameful slaughter of the perfect Son of God was required that I might be saved. ... [T]he most humiliating gossip that could ever be whispered about me is blared from Golgotha's hill; and my self-righteous reputation is left in ruins in the wake of its revelation. ~Milton Vincent in The Gospel Primer

4. letting _____ deal with sin. 1:15-21

➤ *Which way to want God to deal with your sin?*

When you are quick to identify, acknowledge, ask forgiveness for and repent of sin, you will be quick to learn and grow. ~Steve Viars

What has God shown you need to do to _____ your brother biblically?

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