

Last Challenge

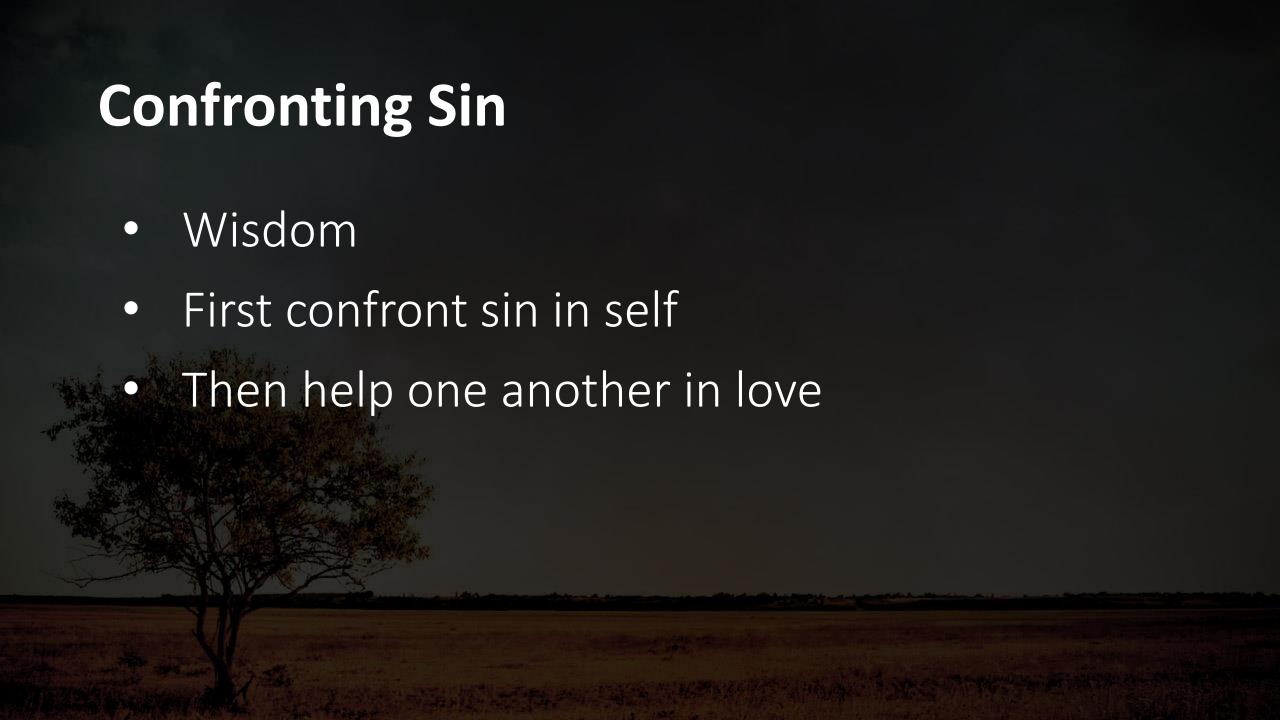
- Discipline the mind to interrupt reaction and focus on Christ.
- Meditate on the holiness of God.
- Humble self, examine self, repent of sin.
- Avoid focusing on the faults of others.
- Commit to pray for change in your heart.

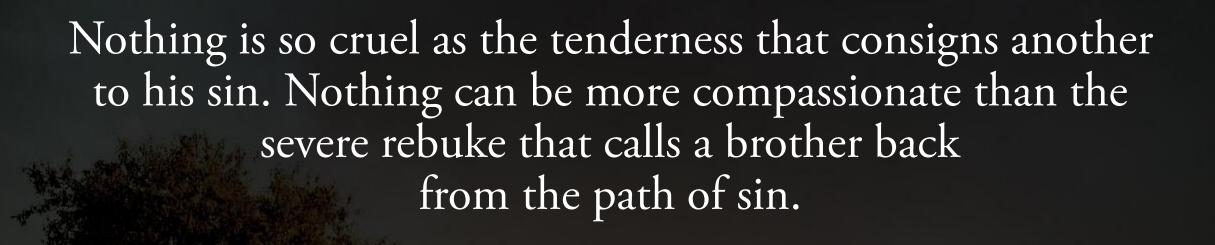










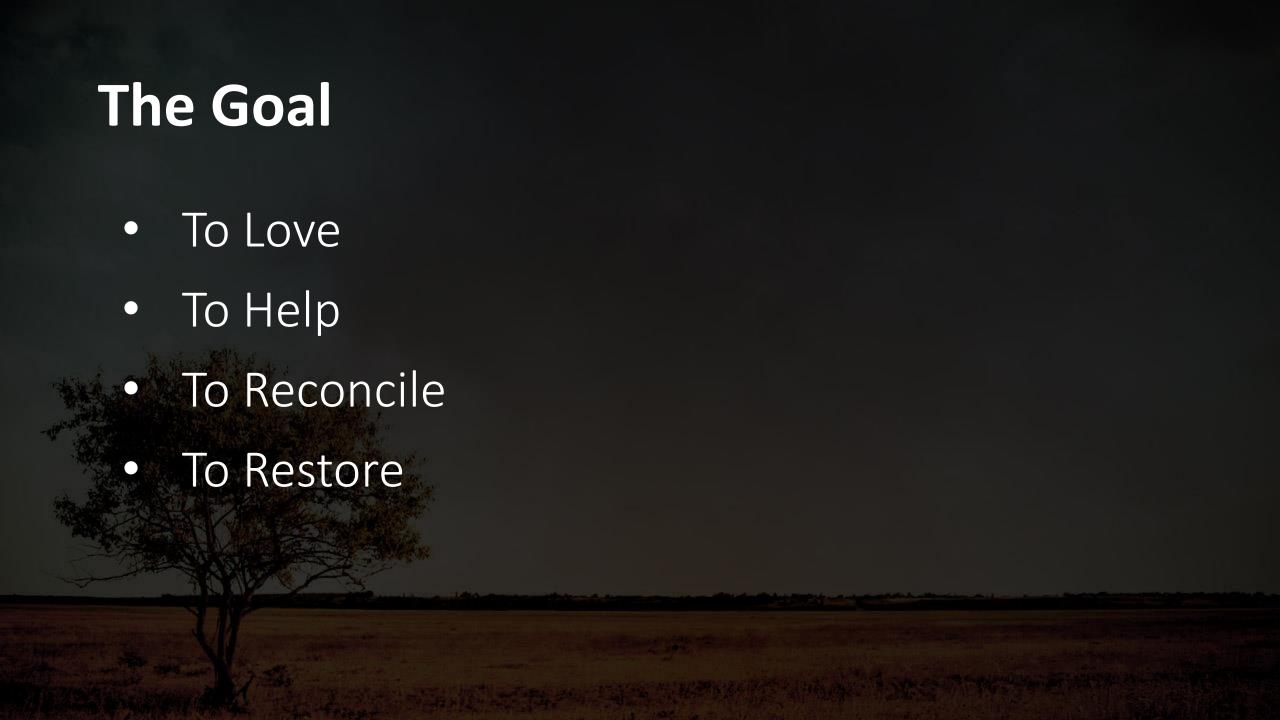


Confronting Sin

- Wisdom
- First confront sin in self
- Then help one another in love
- Take initiative

1. DO NOT CORRECT SIN IN SIN

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.



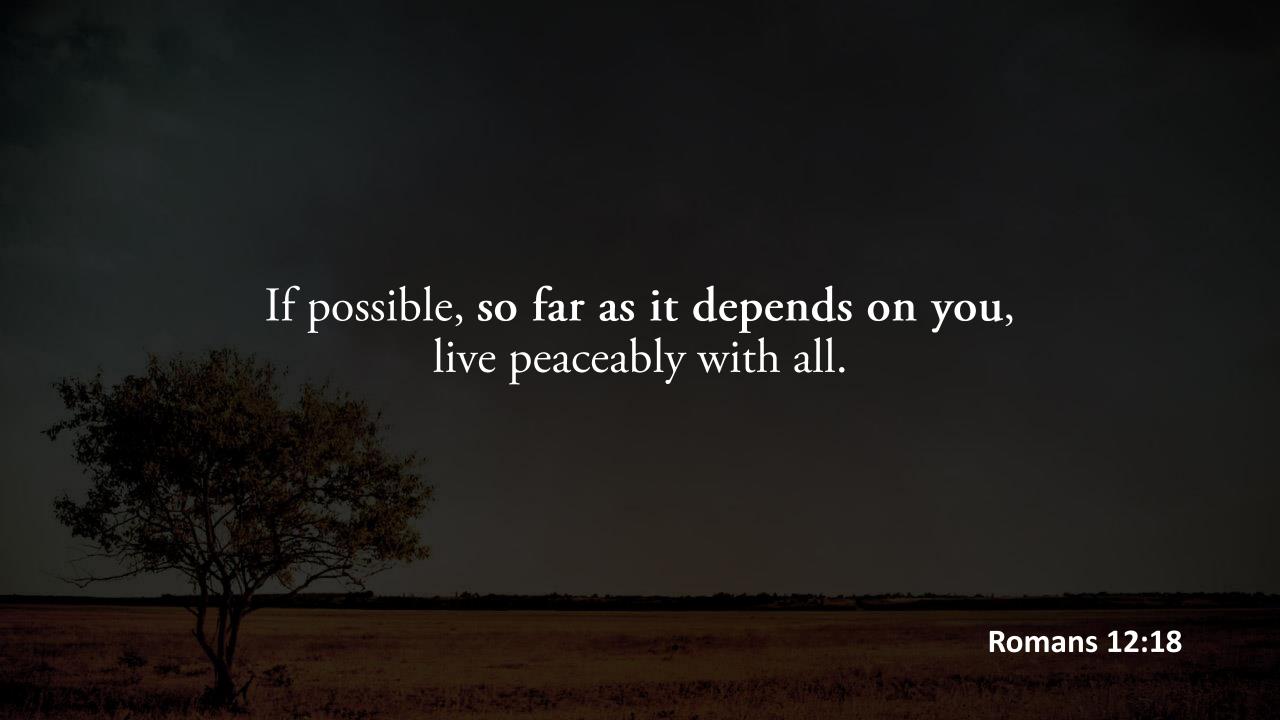
The WRONG Approach

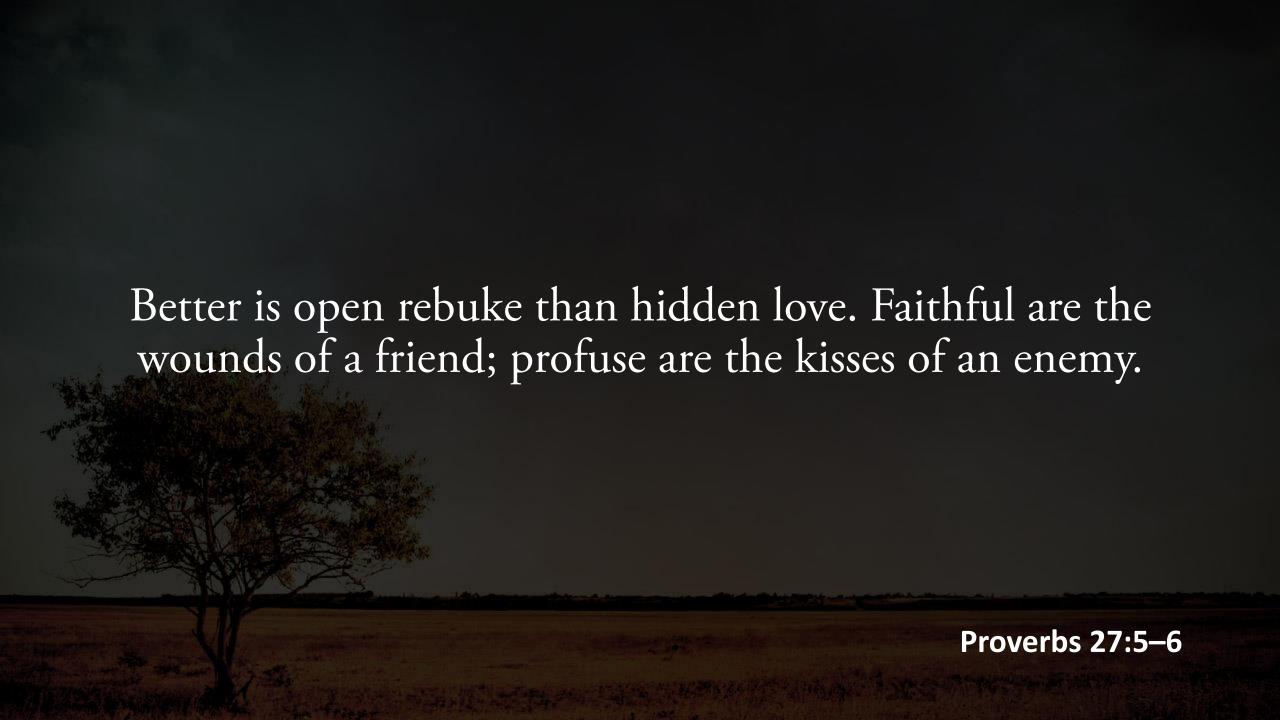
- Confront to confront
- Confront in anger, bitterness, vengeance, etc.
- Confront in self-righteousness
- Confront as an enforcement agent of divine law

The RIGHT Approach

- Confront to restore
- Confront in gentleness, meekness, etc.
- Confront in compassion
- Confront with the relationship as your focus
- Confront only in love

2. BIBLICAL RECONCILIATION

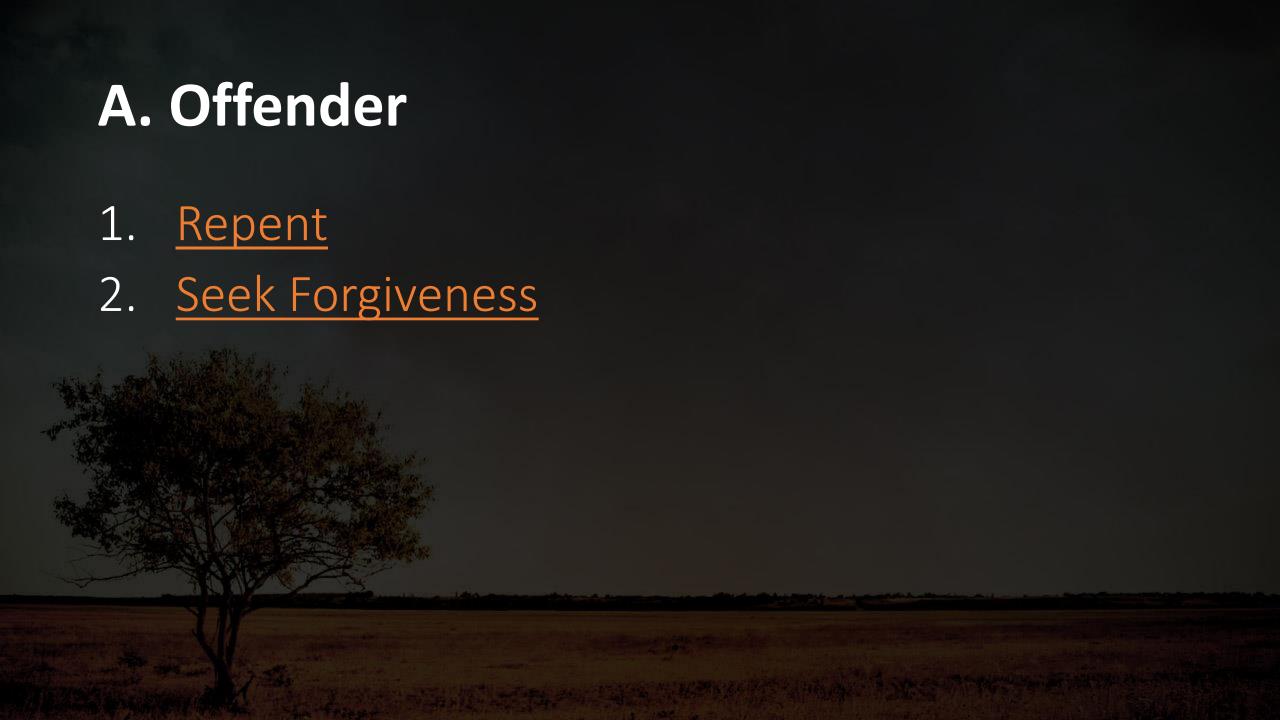


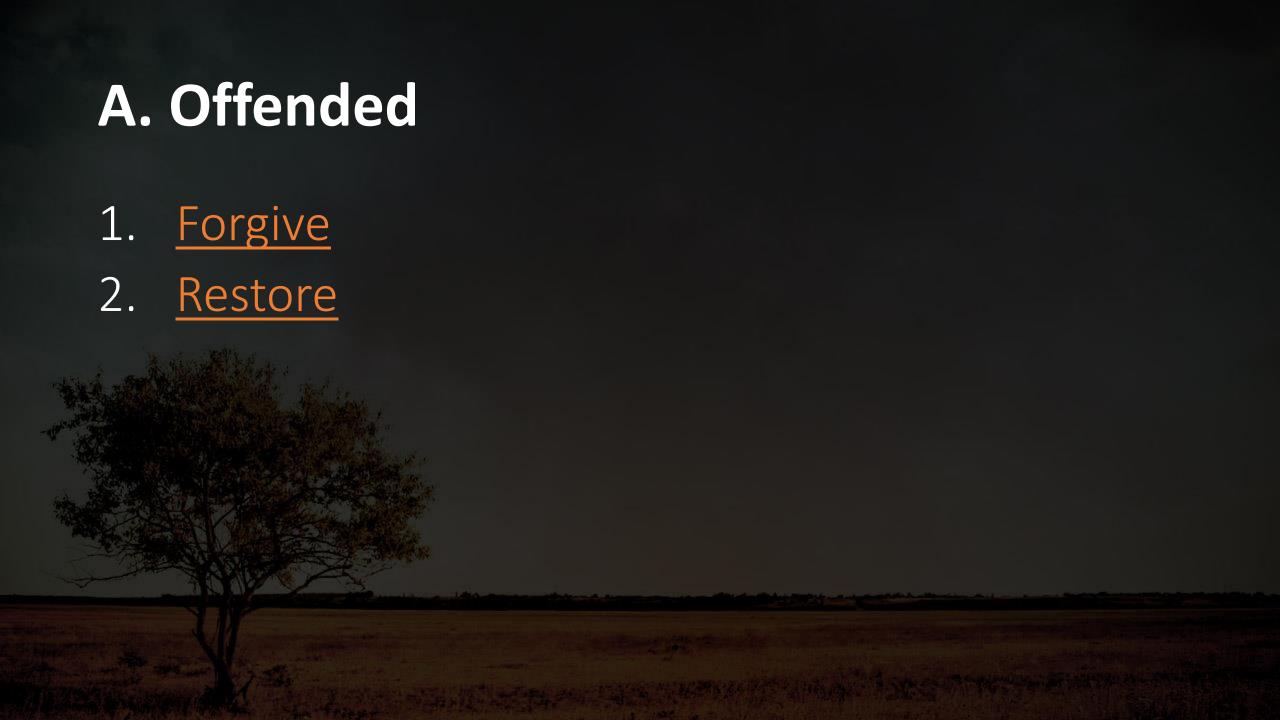


My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.



Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him."





Christ-Centered Responses

- G1 Glorify God How can I glorify God in this situation?
- G2 Get the Log Out

 How can I own my part of this conflict?
- G3 Gently Restore

 How can I help others own their part?
- G4 Go and Be Reconciled How can I forgive?

Challenge

- Discipline the mind to interrupt reaction and focus on Christ.
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- Focus on Christ's love for you and cultivate love for others.
- Commit to pray for change in your heart.