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- **First and foremost, because of love...**
 - **For the Lord and His commands.**
John 14:15
 - **For the soul of the one in error.**
Prov. 13:24; Gal. 6:1; 1 Pet. 4:8
 - **In the same way Jesus disciplines those He loves.** *Rev. 3:19; Prov. 3:11-12 cf. Heb. 12:5-6*

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- To cause shame. *2 Thess. 3:14*
 - This must not to be confused with ridiculing or picking on them. *2 Thess. 3:15; 2 Cor. 2:4-8*
 - Without shame, it is difficult for some to come to repentance. *2 Cor. 7:9-12; 2 Sam. 12:1-7a, 13a*
 - Sadly, some don't even know how to bush.
Jer. 8:12

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- To prevent others from doing the same.
 - Thus Paul commands to openly discipline.
1 Tim. 5:19-20
 - It is very easy to learn wrong behavior.
Prov. 22:24-25
 - When discipline is executed, it helps prevent others in following. *Acts 5:11*

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- **Because we are accountable to the Lord.**
 - **We cannot make them change, but must warn them. *Ezek. 3:17-21***
 - **Because of this, Paul was at ease with his ministry. *Acts 20:26-27***

STEPS OF SALVATION:

FROM **SINNER** TO **SAVED**

