# THE MINISTRY OF ADMONISH: A FOUNDATION FOR BUILDING THE BROKEN BODY

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### The ministry of admonish:

A continuous speaking ministry of care and correction that helps people think about what they are doing and why, with the hope that said person will act by avoiding, turning from or repenting of their thinking and/or behavior.

## It comes from a caring heart:

"Therefore, be alert, remembering that for three years, night or day, I did not cease warning/admonishing each one of you with tears." Acts 20:3 I

# The Purpose of The Ministry of Admonish is ... Maturity in Christ:

"Him (Jesus) we proclaim, warning (admonishing) everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ." Colossians 1:28

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"My little children, for whom I am again in the anguish of childbirth until Christ is formed in you!" Galatians 4:19

#### TO THE ONE WHO WOULD ADMONISH

#### Check your heart and don't speak until you care:

"Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye." Matthew 7:3-5

#### TO THE ONE WHO IS ADMONISHED

### Guard your heart and still listen:

"And now, O sons, listen to me, and be attentive to the words of my mouth."

Proverbs 7:24

#### **MATURITY IS:**

Conformity to Christ, when our desires, thoughts, words and actions conform to the life of Jesus.

#### **MATURITY IS:**

The Fruit of the Spirit ... is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control..."

Galatians 5:22-23

#### **MATURITY IS:**

Obedience: "(Jesus prayed) Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven ... "My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will."

Matthew 6:10 and 26:39

#### LOVE

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:34-35