
from your brother's eye.”

John 7:24 Do not judge by appearances but judge with right judgment.

Giving correction, your approach

- **Approach with self-examination.**

*Galatians 6:1 Brothers, even if a man is caught in any trespass, you who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; **each one looking to yourself, lest you too be tempted.***

- **Approach with gentleness.**

*Galatians 6:1 Brothers, even if a man is caught in any trespass, you who are spiritual, **restore** such a one in a spirit of **gentleness***

- **Approach with love.**

Eph. 4:15 speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him, who is the head, even Christ.

If you are still angry at the person,
you are not ready to correct them.

James 1:19 The anger of man does NOT accomplish the righteousness of God.

Make Correction Based On:

- The benefit of the doubt (1 Cor. 13:7)
- Scripture, not preference.
- Patterns, not one occurrence. (1 Peter 4:8)
- Significance. Pick your battles.

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Correction: Give and Receive It

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Receiving Correction

- **I need correction**

*1 Peter 5:5 In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. **All of you,** clothe yourselves with humility **toward one another,** because, “God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble.”⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.*

*Colossians 3:16 Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you **teach and admonish one another** with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.*

*Romans 15:14 I myself am convinced, my brothers and sisters, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with knowledge and **competent to instruct one another.***

*Hebrews 3:12-13 Take care, brothers lest there should be in any one of you an **evil, unbelieving** heart, in falling away from the living God. But encourage one another day after day, as long as it is called "Today," that none of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.*

- I am proud.

Psalms 36:2 For in his own eyes he flatters himself too much to detect or hate his sin.

- I am foolish.

Prov. 14:12 There is a way that seems right to a man but

in the end it leads to death.

- I am blind.

Isaiah 59:10 Like the blind we grope along the wall, feeling our way like men without eyes. At midday we stumble as if it were twilight; among the strong, we are like the dead.

Do I value correction?

Prov. 9:8-9 Do not reprove a mocker, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you. Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser, Teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning.

How should we receive correction?

Take heavenward.

John 9:34 "You were steeped in sin at birth; how dare you lecture us!" And they threw him out."

Eccl. 4:13 Better is a poor and wise youth than an old and foolish king who will no longer take advice.

Take heed.

Proverbs 15:31 He who listens to a life-giving rebuke will be at home among the wise.

Giving Correction

Giving correction, only after...

Jam. 1:19 Be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to be angry

a. Ask yourself...

"Were my feelings hurt?"

1 Peter 4:8 Above all love your brothers from the heart

because love covers a multitude of sins.

Dealing with hurt feelings

■ In episodes like this we become functioning atheists and idolaters. We trust our efforts (atheism) and trust someone else (idolatry) to come through for us.

a. Ask God to reveal what your real "goal" was.

Psalms 139:23 Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. ²⁴ See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

■ b. How did I expect to be treated?

c. Only God can meet your deepest needs. At times like these, you must repent from your idol of the moment and turn to the cross for your emotional and relational *needs*.

d. After turning to God in repentance and assurance, then, set yourself to minister/encourage the person you are with.

■ "Is it OK to share my unmet desires?" Yes, but ONLY after you have processed your anger.

b. Prepare yourself...

Attitude of humility.

■ *Matthew 7:3-4 "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the **plank** in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye?"*

Matthew 7:5 "You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck
