

# STRENGTH in WEAKNESS

## Our Strong Savior

### 2 Corinthians 13:1-4 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup>This is the third time I am coming to you. Every charge must be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>2</sup>I warned those who sinned before and all the others, and I warn them now while absent, as I did when present on my second visit, that if I come again I will not spare them — <sup>3</sup>since you seek proof that Christ is speaking in me. He is not weak in dealing with you, but is powerful among you. <sup>4</sup>For he was crucified in weakness, but lives by the power of God. For we also are weak in him, but in dealing with you we will live with him by the power of God.

The **context**: \_\_\_\_\_

The Corinthian church \_\_\_\_\_ to discipline their own.

(1 Cor 5:1-3, 6-7, 9-13; 2 Cor 1:23; 2 Cor 12:21)

Now Paul – as the spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ – represents Christ in bringing appropriate discipline.

(1 Cor 4:14-15; 2 Cor 12:20; 2 Cor 13:2)

**Why** do church discipline? (From Jonathan Leeman's *Church Discipline*)

1. Church discipline aims to \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Cor 5:2)
2. Church discipline aims to \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Cor 5:5)
3. Church discipline aims to \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Cor. 5:5)
4. Church discipline aims to \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Cor 5:6)
5. Church discipline aims to \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Cor 5:1)

**How** to do church discipline?

One Christian confronts another about his sin in \_\_\_\_\_ (Matt. 18:15).

If he refuses to repent, the one who confronted him does so again, this time bringing one or two others along as \_\_\_\_\_ (Matt. 18:16).

If he still refuses to repent, the \_\_\_\_\_ becomes involved in calling him to repentance (Matt. 18:17).

Finally, if he ignores the church's call to repent, he is to be put out of the church and treated as an \_\_\_\_\_ (Matt. 18:17)

The basis? Our **strong Savior!**

He is strong to \_\_\_\_\_ us by his Resurrection power.

He is strong to \_\_\_\_\_ us by His powerful Word and Church.

He is strong to \_\_\_\_\_ us by His powerful Spirit in us.

***Christ founded the church (Matthew 16:18), purchased it with His blood (Acts 20:28), and intimately identifies Himself with it (Acts 9:4). The church is the body of Christ (Ephesians 1:23; 4:12; 5:23-32; Colossians 1:18, 24; 3:15; 1 Corinthians 12:12-27), the dwelling place of His Spirit (Romans 8:9, 11, 16; 1 Corinthians 3:16-17; 6:11, 15-17; Ephesians 2:18, 22; 4:4), and the chief instrument for glorifying God in the world. Finally, the church is God's instrument for bringing both the Gospel to the nations and a great host of redeemed humanity to Himself (Revelation 5:9).***

- Mark Dever

Our response?

**2 Corinthians 13:5 (ESV)**

<sup>5</sup> **Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith.** Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you fail to meet the test!

WORSHIP NOTES  
for **KIDS**

Today's Date:

TODAYS SERMON:

# *A Strong Savior*

WHO IS PREACHING?

What is today's Bible Passage?



*'For He was crucified in weakness, but he lives by the power of God.'* 2 Corinthians 13:4a

1. *How is Christ our powerful and strong savior?*

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WHAT SONGS DID WE SING TODAY?



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