

WHAT THE BIBLE TEACHES ABOUT THE CHURCH

Study 9 – Church Discipline (2)

Introduction-

I. THE BASIS OF CHURCH DISCIPLINE

- 1- Divine Holiness
- 2- Divine Command
- 3- The Practice of the Church

II. THE SCOPE OF CHURCH DISCIPLINE

- 1- A Limited Scope
- 2- Some New Testament **Examples**
 - a) **Divisiveness** or serious conflict
 - b) **Irresponsible** conduct
 - c) **Immorality**
 - d) **False** teaching
- 3- But Still **Difficult** to Determine

III. THE PROCEDURE OF CHURCH DISCIPLINE

- 1- **Recognition** of the Offense
- 2- **Private** Confrontation
- 3- A Second Attempt with **Others**
- 4- The **Church** as a Whole Becomes Involved
- 5- Church Action Respected and **Supported** by Other Churches
- 6- **Restore** when Repentance Occurs
- 7- In Some Cases, **Immediate** Removal

IV. THE FORMS OF CHURCH DISCIPLINE

1- Warning

2- Withholding of Fellowship

3- Removal from Membership