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Scriptural References and Comment Notes

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DISCIPLINE (RSV)

1:00 Some short remarks from previous teachings in the series - metaphors of God's relationship to his people. Shepherd and sheep. Potter and clay. Vine and branches. Husband and bride. Father and children (the family of God). The distinction between the natural biological life and the spiritual eternal life.

Infancy, Toddlerhood, Childhood, etc. Moving from the place of having to be feed and cared for by others to the place where the Christian can take in nourishment and guidance directly themselves.

9:35 Ephesians 4:11-13 Maturity is defined as growing in the unity of the faith to the stature of the fullness of Christ. Reference 1 Corinthians 3:1-3 Division and quarreling in the church are signs of spiritual infancy.

13:30 Teaching on discipline begins.

15:00 Jeremiah 18:7-8 If at any time I declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, 8 and if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will repent of the evil that I intended to do to it. Teaching. The principal of maturity, or God's way of disciplining us. If God has decided that he will bring a judgmental act upon someone or a nation, because they have forsaken him; the person or the nation can repent of their evil and be spared God's action. Example, from the book of

Jonah. Upon hearing the word from God through Jonah, Nineveh repented, and God did not bring the judgment he had intended.

Our response to God is the key factor.

17:50 Jeremiah 18:9-10 And if at any time I declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, 10 and if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will repent of the good which I had intended to do to it. Teaching. The promise of blessing will be removed from a person or nation if they do evil in contradiction of God's word.

Teaching on the double principal.

- 22:00 1 Corinthians 10:6,11 The things that happened to Israel were written down for us as examples. Teaching on the scriptures as the written revelation of God for our learning.
- 24:20 Deuteronomy 8:1-3 The way to the promised land often leads through the wilderness. A time when human effort alone will not be sufficient. A time for recognition of God's presence and requirement. "Man does not live by bread alone but by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the Lord."

Teaching: The critical issue for every Christian is: What are you going to do with God's word? Most Christians don't grow up because they don't feed on the word – they stay in infancy or childhood. The ministry and structure of most churches today guarantees that their congregations will stay in spiritual childhood and dependency.

- 29:45 Deuteronomy 8:5 Teaching on the heart and on God's discipline for us.
- 32:10 Psalm 50:16-17 Those who hate God's discipline are those who cast his word aside.

33:30 Leviticus 26:23-24 "And if by this discipline you are not turned to me, but walk contrary to me, <u>24</u> then I also will walk contrary to you,

The question is: What is the purpose of God's discipline? It is remedial. It is to correct. It is for our restoration.

34:50 Leviticus 26:3-22 God lets the people know, in advance, what he intends for them - depending on how they respond to his word. Teaching on God's people and how they live within God's covenants – both Old and New.

Has God allowed a beast to come upon our land and consume our youth? Reference verse 22.

God dwells in transcendent holiness and he hates the desecration of his plan for us. He loves us and he wants the best for us, but he will remain sovereign over his covenants.

Teaching on God's ways with us.

44:05 Proverbs 3:11-12 My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline or be weary of his reproof, 12 for the LORD reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights.

Teaching on the difference between discipline for correction and discipline from anger or exasperation.

45:55 Hebrews 12:5-8 Teaching on the various aspects of Discipline: Correction, remediation, punishment, training, development in understanding. Strong words for Christians. If there is no discipline - then probably the person is not a legitimate son of the true Father.

51:00 Hebrews 12:9-11 Those who respond faithfully to God's discipline will see the fruit of their obedience and become more holy. Our response is the factor.

53:45 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 Teaching on the use of Paul's description of the Last Supper. Paul was not present. Matthew and John were present but the church does not use their descriptions – Why? Teaching. Paul's writings preceded the Gospel accounts. Teaching.

55:40 1 Corinthians 11:27-32 **The way to lessen the disciplining work of the Lord on us is to judge ourselves honestly and often. Spiritual Self Examination each day.**

Eph. 4:11 And his gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, 12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ;

1Cor. 3:1 But I, brethren, could not address you as spiritual men, but as men of the flesh, as babes in Christ. 2 I fed you with milk, not solid food; for you were not ready for it; and even yet you are not ready, 3 for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving like ordinary men?

Jer. 18:7 If at any time I declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, 8 and if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will repent of the evil that I intended to do to it. 9 And if at any time I declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, 10 and if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will repent of the good which I had intended to do to it.

1Cor. 10:6 Now these things are warnings for us, not to desire evil as they did.

1Cor. 10:11 Now these things happened to them as a warning, but they were written down for our instruction, upon whom the end of the ages has come.

Deut. 8:1 "All the commandment which I command you this day you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the LORD swore to give to your fathers. 2 And you shall remember all the way which the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments, or not. 3 And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know; that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but that man lives by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the LORD. 4 Your clothing did not wear out upon you, and your foot did not swell, these forty years. 5 Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the LORD your God disciplines you.

Psa. 50:16 But to the wicked God says: "What right have you to recite my

statutes, or take my covenant on your lips? $\underline{17}$ For you hate discipline, and you cast my words behind you.

Lev. 26:3 "If you walk in my statutes and observe my commandments and do them, 4 then I will give you your rains in their season, and the land shall yield its increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit. 5 And your threshing shall last to the time of vintage, and the vintage shall last to the time for sowing; and you shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land securely. 6 And I will give peace in the land, and you shall lie down, and none shall make you afraid; and I will remove evil beasts from the land, and the sword shall not go through your land. 7 And you shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword. 8 Five of you shall chase a hundred, and a hundred of you shall chase ten thousand; and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword. 9 And I will have regard for you and make you fruitful and multiply you, and will confirm my covenant with you. 10 And you shall eat old store long kept, and you shall clear out the old to make way for the new. 11 And I will make my abode among you, and my soul shall not abhor you. 12 And I will walk among you, and will be your God, and you shall be my people. 13 I am the LORD your God, who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that you should not be their slaves; and I have broken the bars of your yoke and made you walk erect.

Lev. 26:14 "But if you will not hearken to me, and will not do all these commandments, 15 if you spurn my statutes, and if your soul abhors my ordinances, so that you will not do all my commandments, but break my covenant, 16 I will do this to you: I will appoint over you sudden terror, consumption, and fever that waste the eyes and cause life to pine away. And you shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it; 17 I will set my face against you, and you shall be smitten before your enemies; those who hate you shall rule over you, and you shall flee when none pursues you. 18 And if in spite of this you will not hearken to me, then I will chastise you again sevenfold for your sins, 19 and I will break the pride of your power, and I will make your heavens like iron and your earth like brass; 20 and your strength shall be spent in vain, for your land shall not yield its increase, and the trees of the land shall not yield their fruit.

<u>Lev. 26:21</u> "Then if you walk contrary to me, and will not hearken to me, I will bring more plagues upon you, sevenfold as many as your sins. 22 And I will let

loose the wild beasts among you, which shall rob you of your children, and destroy your cattle, and make you few in number, so that your ways shall become desolate.

<u>Lev. 26:23</u> "And if by this discipline you are not turned to me, but walk contrary to me, <u>24</u> then I also will walk contrary to you, and I myself will smite you sevenfold for your sins.

<u>Prov. 3:11</u> My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline or be weary of his reproof, <u>12</u> for the LORD reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights.

Heb. 12:5 And have you forgotten the exhortation which addresses you as sons? — "My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor lose courage when you are punished by him. 6 For the Lord disciplines him whom he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives." 7 It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons; for what son is there whom his father does not discipline? 8 If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. 9 Besides this, we have had earthly fathers to discipline us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? 10 For they disciplined us for a short time at their pleasure, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. 11 For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant; later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

<u>1Cor. 11:23</u> For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, <u>24</u> and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." <u>25</u> In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." <u>26</u> For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

1Cor. 11:27 Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord.

28 Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

29 For any one who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and

drinks judgment upon himself. 30 That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. 31 But if we judged ourselves truly, we should not be judged. 32 But when we are judged by the Lord, we are chastened so that we may not be condemned along with the world.