

Lessons in Church Discipline – Carl Robbins (04/06/2016) Sermon Audio

(A talk given to men/pastors/seminary students; not necessarily for Shepherdesses to learn directly rather to glean understanding of the responsibility their leaders have)

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I. Intro

II. Fifteen Lessons Learned Regarding Church Discipline

1. Know your stuff

2. Make sure that you and your elders know that you are called to exercise the keys of the kingdom

3. Get help

4. Do discipline by the book

5. When involved in discipline keep your eye on the ball for one thing

6. Create a culture that normalizes discipline

7. Things to do before instituting discipline in your church

8. Be prepared to answer the objections to discipline inside the congregation

A.

B.

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9. Recognize church discipline is part of the normal rhythm of the church

10. Be consistent in the public exercise of the keys of the kingdom¹

¹ Discipline is tied to the sacraments (ex- *commune* icating)

11. If you do discipline biblically and wisely be prepared to be shot at from two different directions: *(this is how you know you are doing it right)*

A.

B.

12. Should you take a call to a church that doesn't do church discipline?

13. Elders should be manly and strong

A.

B.

14. Recognize that it may take several cycles before your entire Session is on board with church discipline

15. Rejoice in restorations and pray for them