

**Galatians 4:12-20**  
**The Value of Reproof (Rebuke)**

**2 Timothy 3:16 (KJV)**

***<sup>16</sup> All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:***

- ***Paul's true heart for the believers in Galatia. Vs. 12***
- ***You accepted me as I was when I came to you. Vs. 13-16***
- ***The danger of false teachers. Vs. 17-18***
- ***Paul's deep pastoral concern. Vs. 19-20***

**Purpose of Rebuke (Reproof)**

- ***Rebuke should be motivated by a Godly displeasure***
  
- ***Rebuke is to lovingly move us back to God***
  1. Sometimes we just need to be reminded what our role is.
    - A. Jesus said we are the bride of Christ
  2. A bride works toward her wedding day being that perfect day.
    - A. Paul desires the same thing for the church.

**Ephesians 5:27 (KJV)**

***<sup>27</sup> That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.***

- ***God will hold us responsible if we fail to make others aware of their sins.***

**Leviticus 19:17 (KJV)**

***<sup>17</sup> Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him.***

***Why does God call believers to bring other believers face to face with their sin?***

**Two reasons**

1. ***So, they can be released from the bondage of that sin.***
2. ***So, their life will reflect Christ.***

**Titus 1:13 (KJV)**

***<sup>13</sup> This witness is true. Wherefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith;***

**The Heart of the one who is lead to rebuke (reprove)**

1. ***Motived by love***
2. ***It must be biblically based reason***

**Value of Reproof**

1. ***It's like medicine for a sick soul***
2. ***You restore life to the sick and dying***

**Proverbs 6:23 (KJV)**

***<sup>23</sup> For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life:***

**What if you are on the receiving end of reproof?**

- 1. We must listen with our spiritual ears.***

***Proverbs 10:17***

***17 He is in the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproof erreth.***

- 2. Accepting reproof allows us to mature in our walk with Christ.***