

Sermon Title: CORRECTION: Take It Like A Man

Date: Sunday, March 11, 2018
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Background Scripture: Proverbs 10:17

Jumpstart and Review: Correction is something that comes to all of us. It is something that is offered by parents, teachers, coaches, pastors, friends, co-workers and mentors.

*The Bible reminds us that God corrects us too.

- Everyone experiences correction. But not all of us embrace it.
- The Hebrew word translated correction means, reproof, warning and instruction.
- It can also mean discipline and it often implies punishment.

* The issue is not whether we'll experience correction, reproof, warning, instruction, or punishment; the issue is what we do with it when it comes.

What we choose to do with correction makes the difference in the kind of person we become.

- Even if correction is given inappropriately, inaccurately, or maliciously, if we choose to respond the right way; WE GROW.

? So How Does an Irresistible Church Benefit From Correction?

1. Look Beyond the “messenger” to the message God is giving us about our life.
2. Get Rid of Defensiveness — give up the need to defend.
 - Defensive: excessively concerned with guarding against the real or imagined threat of criticism, injury to one's ego, or exposure of one's shortcomings.
3. Prayerfully Reflect on the correction we receive.
4. Take Corrective Action.
5. Treasure Correction.
6. Hunger for Correction.
7. Cultivate Humility

QFC (Questions For Consideration)

1. Think about a time that you responded positively to God’s correction. What were the results?

How difficult is it for you NOT to be excessively defensive regarding real or imagined threats of criticism? Is there a scripture, thought, saying or song that helps you “keep it together”? (please share your inspiration)

Reflect-n-Recap

1. *This week's lesson was ...*
2. *The areas I feel this lesson growing me are ...*
3. *Comments / Testimonial / Question*