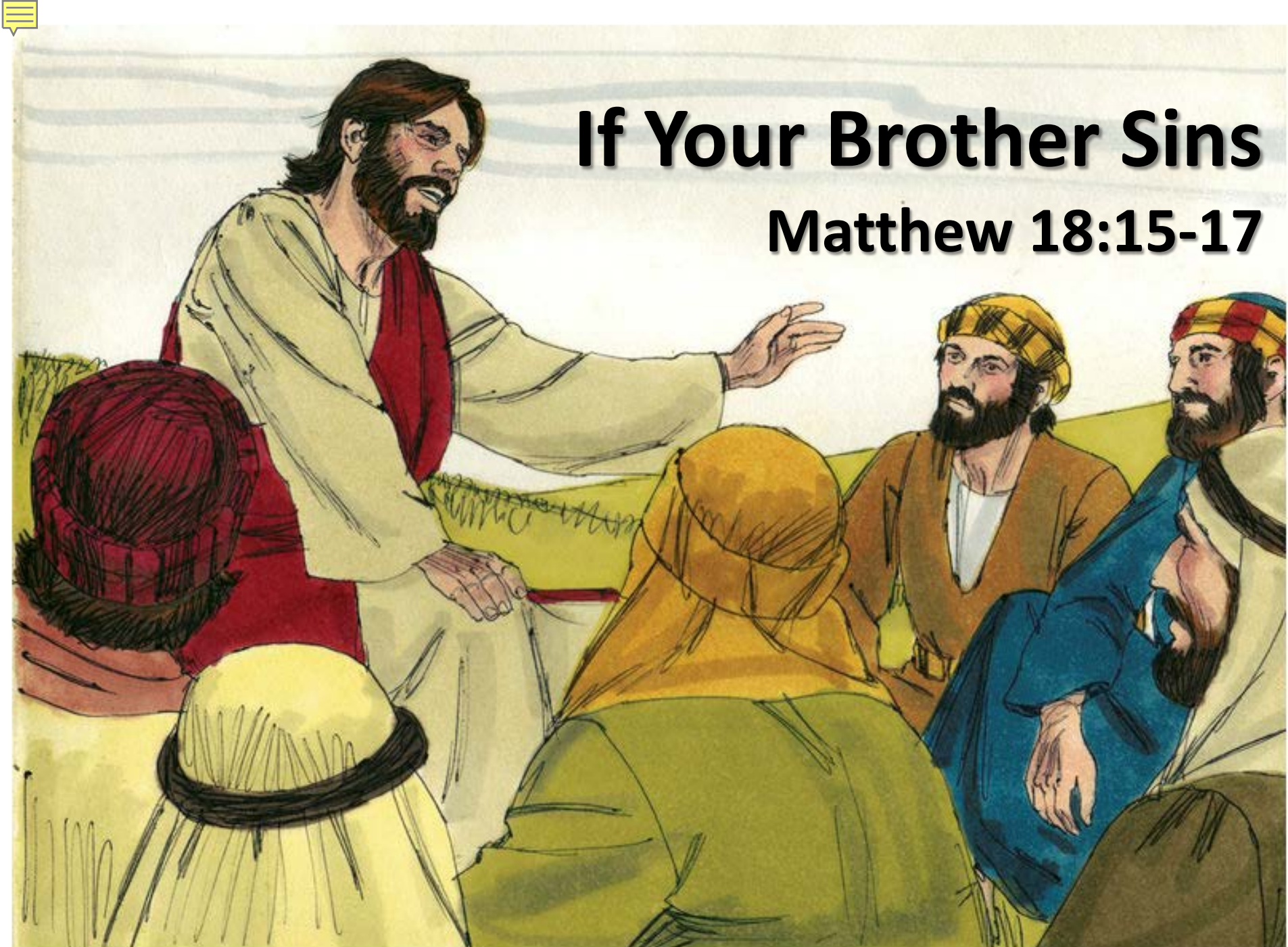


If Your Brother Sins

Matthew 18:15-17



The Need For Study

- **Important subject – Mt. 18:10-14**
- **Pertinent passage – Mt. 18:15-17**
- **Proper use – Mt. 4:5-7; 2 Pet. 3:16**

Confusion

Sin

Division

The Need For Study

- **A misunderstood passage**
 - **Mt. 18:15-17**
 - **Every situation?**
 - **Optional?**
 - **Public sin?**

**What does this
procedure
address?**

The Need For Study

- **Public vs. Private**

- Jesus and the Pharisees – Mt. 23:1-3

- Paul and Peter – Gal. 2:11-14

- Paul and Corinth – 1 Cor. 5:5

**Are these
Matthew 18
situations?**

If Your Brother Sins

- "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have regained what was lost."
18:15 (ESV)

Violates
God's will

A personal
matter

A conditional
statement

If Your Brother Sins

- "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have regained your brother. (Mt. 18:15 ESV)

**Show him his fault
– Lev. 19:17**

If Your Brother Sins

- "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. (Mt. 18:15 ESV)



Brother A + Brother B

If Your Brother Sins

A conditional statement If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. (Mt. 18:15 ESV)

Reprove, Repent, Rejoice
– Lk. 17:3-4; Mt. 18:21-22

If Your Brother Sins

- **But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. (Mt. 18:16 ESV)**

**A conditional
statement**

If Your Brother Sins

- But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses (Mt. 18:16 ESV)

Not “you and him alone”

If Your Brother Sins

- But if **Confirm or Resolve** take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. (Mt. 18:16 ESV)

Deu. 19:15; 2 Cor. 13:1; Jn. 8:17

If Your Brother Sins

- If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. (Mat 18:17 ESV)



Sin becomes generally known

If Your Brother Sins

- And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. (Mt. 18:17 ESV)

No social association

Making The Application

- **What is under consideration?**
 - Sin – Mt. 18:21
- **What cases of sin?**
 - Private – Mt. 18:21; Lk. 17:3-4

Making The Application

- **What about sins that aren't private?**
 - **Restore – Gal. 6:1-2; Jas. 5:19-20**
 - **Not between “you and him alone”**
 - **Known– 1 Cor. 1:11; 5:1; Gal. 2:11-14**
 - **Danger of influence – 1 Cor. 5:6-7**
 - **No “private” resolution**

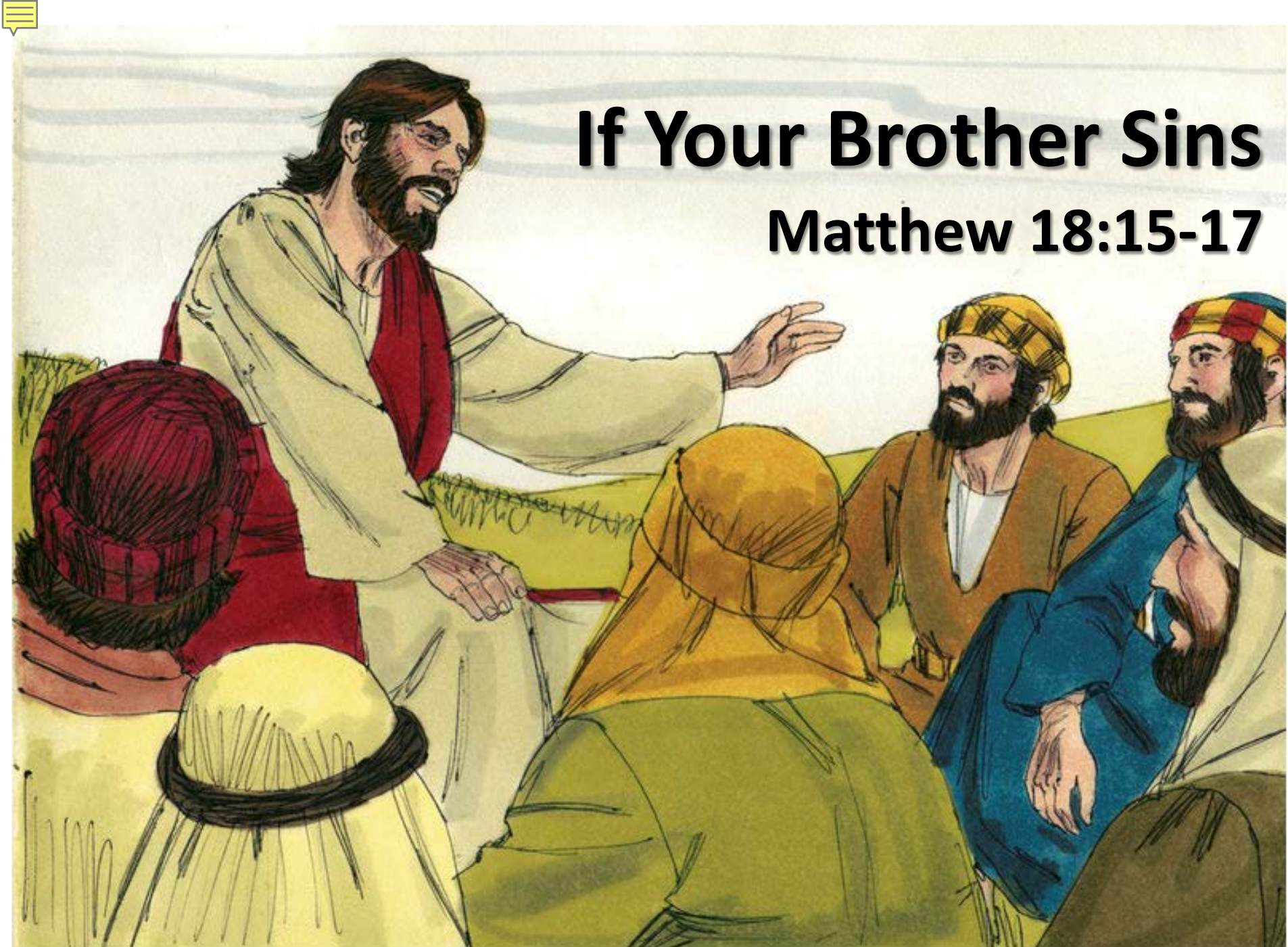
Making The Application

- **The goal is to gain the brother back!**

What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish. (Mt. 18:12-14 ESV)

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God's Effort

God Sent His Son – 1 John 4:10-11

Jesus Shed His Blood – Ephesians 1:7

Spirit Revealed The Gospel – John 16:13

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. (Mark 16:16 KJV)

God's Conditions

Believe Jesus Is The Christ – John 8:24

Repent Of Sins – Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38

Confess Christ – Romans 10:9-10

Immersed To Be Forgiven – Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16

Remain Faithful – Revelation 2:10

