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**Sermon: *Stewardship of Fellowship: Loving Jesus’ Church***

**Scripture: Luke 17:1-10**

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**Introduction:**

Jesus calls for us to love and care for His church as much as \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!

***Scripture:*** *1 Corinthians 12:27; Revelation 5:12; Matthew 16:18*

**To be effective stewards of fellowship in the body of Christ…**

1. **We’ve got to look out for the spiritually \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.** (v. 1-2)

***Scripture:*** *Hebrews 5:14; Galatians 5:13-14; Ephesians 4:32*

1. **We’ve got to pursue the errant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.** (v. 3-4)
2. We pursue the erring that they might be reconciled and enjoy fellowship with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

***Scripture:*** *James 5:19-20; Galatians 6:1*

1. We pursue the estranged that we might be reconciled and enjoy fellowship with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

***Scripture:*** *Matthew 18:15-17*

1. **We’ve got to stop offering faithless \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.** (v. 5-6)

* Spiritual blind spots are often self-righteousness masked with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

***Scripture:*** *Luke 6:41-42*

* God \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ everything we need to do all He commands.

***Scripture:*** *1 Peter 1:3*

1. **We’ve got to guard against self-righteous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.** (v. 7-10)

* If your "obedience” breeds self-righteousness, you don’t understand the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* We are to pursue loving fellowship with the same love, vigor and humility that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pursued loving fellowship with us.

**Conclusion:**

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of fellowship is extravagant. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of fellowship are priceless.

**Questions to Consider:**

1. What are some ways that Christians can cause others to spiritually stumble?
2. Why does Jesus say to “Pay attention to yourselves”?
3. If we are to forgive someone seven times in the same day, does that mean we don’t address underlying issues? Why or why not?
4. What are some excuses we give for not rebuking and forgiving? Why are they worthless?
5. What is the point of the parable of the “Unworthy Servants”? What is the inherent warning in Jesus’ parable?