

RULES OF REBUKE

Proverbs 27:5

Better is open rebuke than hidden love

Titus 2:15

Declare these things; exhort and rebuke with all authority. Let no one disregard you

Titus 1:13

This testimony is true. Therefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith

Psalms 119:21

You rebuke the insolent, accursed ones, who wander from your commandments

Proverbs 28:23

Whoever rebukes a man will afterward find more favor than he who flatters with his tongue.

Leviticus 19:17

“You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him.

Ecclesiastes 7:5

It is better for a man to hear the rebuke of the wise than to hear the song of fools.

Ephesians 5:11

Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them.

Inside the family or church

Matthew 18:15-17

“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. 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. If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

1 Timothy 5:19-20

Do not admit a charge against an elder except on the evidence of two or three witnesses. As for those who persist in sin, rebuke them in the presence of all, so that the rest may stand in fear.

Galatians 6:1

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted.

Luke 17:3-4

Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him."

Proverbs 1:23

If you turn at my reproof, behold, I will pour out my spirit to you; I will make my words known to you

Proverbs 6:23

For the commandment is a lamp and the teaching a light, and the reproofs of discipline are the way of life

Respect the higher Authority, honor father and mother

1 Timothy 5:1

Do not rebuke an older man but encourage him as you would a father, younger men as brothers

Ears to Hear

Proverbs 9:8-9

Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you. Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning

Proverbs 15:31

The ear that listens to life-giving reproof will dwell among the wise

Outside the church or family

1 Corinthians 5:11-13

But now I am writing to you not to associate with anyone who bears the name of brother if he is guilty of sexual immorality or greed, or is an idolater, reviler, drunkard, or swindler—not even to eat with such a one. For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Is it not those inside the church whom you are to judge? God judges those outside. "Purge the evil person from among you.

2 Timothy 2:24-25

And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kind to everyone, able to teach, patiently enduring evil, correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth

Ezekiel 33:8-9

If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand.

But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

Some don't listen

Proverbs 13:1

A wise son hears his father's instruction, but a scoffer does not listen to rebuke

Proverbs 9:7

Whoever corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse, and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury.

Destroying Strongholds

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ

Matthew 7:5-6

You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye. "Do not give dogs what is holy, and do not throw your pearls before pigs, lest they trample them underfoot and turn to attack you