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Growing Up in Christ

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1 Corinthians 5:1-5 NIV



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I am writing this not to shame you but to warn you as my dear children.

1 Corinthians 4:14 NIV



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1. Intentionality

What You Tolerate, You Normalize



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“To the angel of the church in Ephesus write:
These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in
his right hand and walks among the seven golden
lampstands. I know your deeds, your hard work and your
perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked
people, that you have tested those who claim to be
apostles but are not, and have found them false.

Revelation 2:1-2 NIV



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I know your deeds, your love and faith, your service and perseverance, and that you are now doing more than you did at first. Nevertheless, I have this against you: You tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophet. By her teaching she misleads my servants into sexual immorality and the eating of food sacrificed to idols.

Revelation 2:19-20 NIV



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2. Accountability

Real love tells the truth



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So when you are assembled and I am with you in spirit, and the power of our Lord Jesus is present, hand this man over to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be saved on the day of the Lord.

1 Corinthians 5:4-5 NIV



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Your boasting is not good. Don't you know that a little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough? Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch—as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old bread leavened with malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

1 Corinthians 5:6-8 NIV



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I wrote to you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people—not at all meaning the people of this world who are immoral, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters. In that case you would have to leave this world. But now I am writing to you that you must not associate with anyone who claims to be a brother or sister but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or slanderer, a drunkard or swindler. Do not even eat with such people.

1 Corinthians 5:9-11 NIV



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3. Unity

Discipline is Meant to Correct, Not Cancel



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The punishment inflicted on him by the majority is sufficient. Now instead, you ought to forgive and comfort him, so that he will not be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow. I urge you, therefore, to reaffirm your love for him.

2 Corinthians 2:6-8 NIV



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