Relationship Responsibilities in the Church

1 Thessalonians 5:12–22

The Big Idea

 Entering into a relationship with Jesus brings responsibilities to our relationships in His Church.

General Outline of the 1 Thessalonians 5:12–22

- Verses 12–13 address the responsibilities church members have as they relate to their leaders
- Verses 14–15 address responsibilities members have as they relate to one another
- Verses 16–22 address responsibilities members have as they relate to God

"To Admonish"

- To warn ... correct ... call to amend one's life
- "Carried the implication of exerting a 'corrective influence' upon a person who is not predisposed to accept the instruction." – D. Michael Martin

Would you rather?

 If a fellow Christian sees a pattern of unChrist-like attitudes or behaviors in my life, would I rather that they don't say anything or would I rather that they admonish me to become more pleasing to God?

1 Thessalonians 5:9–10

 "9For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰ who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him." "God gives us what we would have asked for if we knew everything He knows." – Tim Keller

Table Discussion

 What is one thing that you take away from this morning's teaching that you can put into practice before next week's breakfast?