

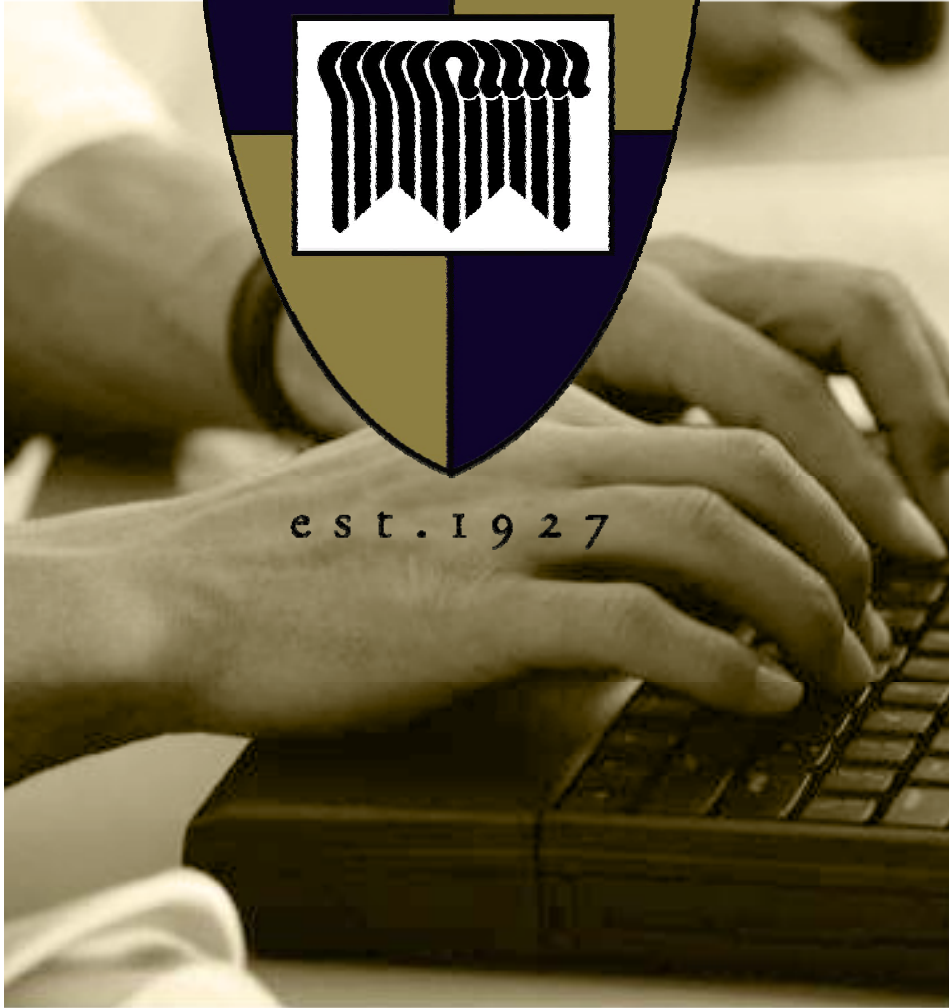
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# Biblical Restoration in the Church

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# Biblical Distinctives

## Interesting Considerations

- ✓ What is your responsibility to the people you rub shoulders with every day?
- ✓ What do you do when you realize that your friend is struggling with a sin?
- ✓ What are the dangers you must avoid when you seek to help another Christian?



# Biblical Distinctives

## Insightful Context

- ✓ Galatians was written to believers who were being exhorted to believe a false gospel of righteousness. A gospel by the human works of the Mosaic Law.
- ✓ Human works included circumcision, laws of cleanliness and the observance of certain ceremonial days, months, seasons and years (2:3-4,12; 4:10).



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# Biblical Distinctives

## Immediate Context

- ✓ Pleasing the Spirit means (5:17):
  1. You live by faith. (5:6)
  2. You love by serving. (5:13)
  3. You're led by the Spirit. (5:18)



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# Biblical Distinctives

## Immediate Context

- ✓ Pleasing the flesh means (5:26; cf. 17):
  1. You live self-satisfied (boast).
  2. You love to show off (challenge others).
  3. You are led by selfish desires (envy).



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## Practicing love through Restoration

1. **Cause:** the person must be caught in a trespass

- a. This person has been overwhelmed!
- b. This person is not living according to the truth!



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## 2. **Character:** you who are spiritual

- a. You must not be living according to the flesh!
- b. Your life should be characterized by the fruit of the Spirit!



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### 3. **Condition:** in the spirit of gentleness

- a. It does not mean weakness because its basis is love!
- b. It does mean pleasant and kindly!



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4. **Caution:** looking to yourself, so that you too will not be tempted
  - a. You are not immune to falling into sin!
  - b. Your pride could easily be your downfall!