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brother or sister fall into immorality of conduct, false and erroneous doctrine, stir up strife, and engender divisions, or in any way depart from the rule of the word of God, so as to bring scandal upon his cause, such persons shall be subject to the discipline of the church, and, if proved guilty, shall be **SUSPENDED** or **EXCLUDED**, as the case may in the judgment of the Church require. **EPH. v. 11. TITUS iii. 10. ROM. xvi. 17.**

5. As the object of Church censures is not punishment but reformation and recovery, every possible effort should be made to produce conviction, and penitence,—and wherever expedient, *suspension* for a time rather than expulsion, shall be adopted. **GAL. vi. 1. MATT. vii. 2.—JOHN viii. 11.**

6. In reference to offences between members, in all cases, the rule laid down by the Saviour shall be followed. —“If thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone. If he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the Church. But if he neglect to hear the Church, let him be unto thee as a heathen man and a publican.”—**MATT. xviii. 15—17.**

7. There shall be a standing Committee, comprising the Pastor, Deacons, and competent members sufficient to make the number of said Committee, seven. The members not in office to be elected annually at the July Church Meeting. The duties of said Committee shall be to manage all financial affairs, examine questions of difficulty between members of the Church, and to report to the Church in all cases for a final decision. The Pastor is not to be considered bound to preside on financial affairs. But he shall in every case appoint a chairman before vacating it. Provided that the Pastor be not obliged to attend financial meetings. **1 COR. xiv. 40. PROV. xi. 14.**

8. It shall be the duty of members of this Church living at a distance, to report themselves at least once in a year