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Governing Principles For Human Relations

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These writings, with their declarations or stipulations, are set forth for the purpose of constructing a godly society, wherein people can be sociable in a godly way. People, as a whole, never seem to heed or give much attention to rules of government, even though they should regard them with the deepest respect. The law is made for the lawless, and people who do right have nothing to fear. When laws of government are set forth to better living conditions or to perfect our environment toward godliness, people should deeply acknowledge this, because it brings us a better world.

We all thoroughly understand that whether we familiarize ourselves or not with these things, we are still under the jurisdiction and power, and in the final analysis, we are either justified or penalized thereby, for with God and man, ignorance is considered no excuse when understanding is present with us. It is a desire and request of this faculty or board of directors that the principles herein contained be regarded with your chiefest respect with regard and respect to all these things set forth.

We realize that God creates the good and the evil, has His way in both, and works all things after the counsel of His own will. These things are requested and expected wherein set forth with consideration of our weaknesses and errors; therefore, by grace your shortcomings are acknowledged concerning these things, but willful practices, whether caused by ignorance of willful negligence, or rebellion toward these directional instructions, will cause you to be subject to removal. We ask everyone to conform to these practices. If you will consider these things very carefully, no one will feel mistreated when they are brought back to your remembrance.

All properties belong to Christ and are given into the hands of the people for the furtherance of the gospel, making you who wait at the altar partakers of its benefits, as much as is reasonably permitted, according to systematic order of the Scriptures. Properties to you and your children as they abide accordingly, to order their steps after the Lord, with the understanding that only one family can occupy each dwelling at a time. Should a companion die, if you marry, you should marry a Christian to continue to occupy. If parents die, leaving the children, though they be disorderly, we will tolerate this as much as is humanly possible, not leaving them without protection until they reach the age of eighteen or marry, becoming self-sufficient. This rule applies to all, ministers or laity.

No one, whether board of directors or otherwise, may take the authority or the right to themselves to request or to remove that which is yours. There must, of necessity, first be a full Scriptural examination, judged and proven by the neighbors and board of directors who will proceed with actions accordingly.

No persons, whether pastors or otherwise, no authorities, with chartered rights or otherwise, may impose upon your homestead rights. Disciplinary Regulations

- 1. We ask every person to conduct themselves after the order and manner of Christ.
- 2. We as that everyone be considerate of their neighbor. Love worketh no ill toward its neighbor.
- 3. It is requested that no children nor pets be allowed the right to endanger lives or properties by any means.
- 4. We expect all to maintain order among their household and to practice cleanliness.
- 5. No one will be allowed, nor will permission be given, nor anyone authorize another to the cluttering up of properties by any means, whether it be harboring or materialistic values that are non-useable.
- 6. We herein remind you that all properties belong to the Lord, and a board of directors have be set in order for your protection and convenience, both according to godliness and law; also, in accordance with and respect to our government; therefore, you have no reason to fear reason loss or harm in any way from anyone.
 - 7. We expect order and decency in all manner of life or actions.
 - 8. We expect loyalty and fellowship toward God and His people.
 - 9. We expect everyone to live peacefully with all men as is godly possible.
 - 10. We do not want obscene dressing, actions, or conversations on the properties. Signs shall be posted accordingly.

These disciplinary regulations are made with selfishness or personal motives, trying to protect your rights and God's rights in this endeavor.

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