

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

ALLELON: WEEK 5

While anyone can take time to answer these questions individually, these questions are best discussed in a group! Not in a group yet? We want you in one! Head over to southeastchristian.org to join a group in person or online, wherever you are - today!

Do you think of 'admonish' as a positive word or a negative one? Why? If you had to define the word 'admonish' in your own words, what would you say it is? How does this compare to the biblical definition Dave shared? Has there ever been a time someone admonished you in the biblical sense?

Read Ephesians 4:15-16. Why is it so important for us to speak the truth in love? How does this follow the example of Jesus (John 1:14)? If you were being honest, are you more of a 'truth' person or more of a 'grace' person? Why do you think you trend in this direction?

How is admonishment different from criticism? In what ways are they similar? Why is it so easy for us to live with a critical spirit? What are some changes we would need to make to move from a critical spirit to one that is more concerned with admonishment?

Read Colossians 3:15-17. What does this passage teach us about admonishing one another? What are some qualities/characteristics we should possess if we want to admonish one another in the right spirit? Paul mentions singing in context of admonition. How does worshipping together give us the ability to admonish each other?

How do you discern which voices to listen to when it comes to admonition? As you think over your own life/relationships, what are some of the criteria you use to help you know whether or not to listen to someone's counsel?

Take another look at that passage from Colossians. Circle all the mentions of thankfulness and gratitude. Do you typically associate admonition with gratitude? Why or why not? In what ways should we be grateful for biblical admonition? How can this motivate us to admonish one another?