

Why Would Bill Gothard Reject Christ and His Teachings in Matthew 18:15-20?

The Context of History

- 1967, Sept. Tony G first meets Bill Gothard while a student at Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. Tony began attending many Basic Seminars, bringing 100s of friends.
- 1973 IBYC opens first office in Tony's home in Denver for first video only seminar. Tony and team invite 10,000 to attend, pay \$55 and sit on steel chairs for 32 hours over a six day period. IBYC had to finally rent the largest venue in the city (Denver Coliseum) and had to close registration weeks in advance.
- 1974 Tony is moved to Oak Brook, working as assistant to Gary Smalley managing 50 key city offices across the country, and soon emceeding up to 20 video seminars per year, as well as introducing the Basic Seminar to prison systems across the country.
- 1979-1980 Tony discovers gross and continuing immorality among 14 staff working and living closest with Bill Gothard, and then discovers Bill Gothard knew of it over at least a 7 year period. Tony presents information to Bill Gothard privately on several occasions.
- 1980, July 5 Institute Board of Directors schedules a Board meeting to hear all evidence of charges against Bill Gothard in a 12 hour meeting, coordinating with Tony for presentation of questions to Bill, testimony of victims of sexual assault, evidence and documentation of Bill Gothard's knowledge of immorality and covering it up over a 7 year period. Bill Gothard terminated by his Board.
- 1980, July Replacement President of Institute terminates Tony from employment without any review of charges or causes. Tony moves to family farm in Kansas.
- 1981 Bill Gothard has his law firm conduct 40 hour deposition of Tony in Chicago at Tony's expense. Tony is clear he is not participating in any of the law suits developing against Bill Gothard and Institute.
- 1981, Sept. Bill Gothard authors, publishes and distributes nationally a 19 page letter of Libel.
- 2008, Dec. 1 Bill Gothard and Gary Smalley telephone Tony G declaring that Bill wants to pursue reconciliation with Tony and asked what it would take to get started. When Tony referenced recanting the 19 page letter that claims Tony is an agent of Satan 69 times, Bill Gothard immediately and forcefully declared that he has never written a 19 page letter and would never call anyone an agent of Satan. Once the letter was produced by copy to Gary and to Bill, the effort by Bill Gothard to pursue reconciliation was ended quickly by him.
- 2013, Oct. 10 Bill Gothard telephones Tony declaring that he wants to pursue reconciliation (see copy of four letters Bill used to follow up on this Oct. 10, 2013 call).

- 2014, Jan. 2 Tony responds with the materials Bill has requested, by sending two copies of the 140 pages of evidence and documentation wanted by Bill Gothard.
- 2014, January Bill Gothard begins campaign, bearing false witness with his present Board of Directors and certain 1980 staff declaring that Tony and two other men are involved in trying to shut down the ministry and are pressing to obtain money from Bill Gothard.
- 2014, June 1 No further response from Bill Gothard regarding his interest to pursue reconciliation.