

September 6, 2020

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Ezekiel 33:7-9 * Romans 13:8-10 * Matthew 18:15-20*

***“For where two or three are gathered together in my name,
There am I in the midst of them.” – Matt. 18:20***

When we discover someone is doing something wrong, how do we respond? Do we go to him and try to help him improve? Do we talk about him behind his back? Do we just ignore what he’s doing and let him get into deeper trouble?

In our Gospel today, Jesus shows us that we have a responsibility to help each other improve. That’s hard to do because our good intentions might be seen as butting in when it’s not our business. But Jesus reminds us that he will be with us and wants us to care enough to make a difference in other people’s lives. If we ask for his help, he will give us the right words to use. We must always speak the truth in love.

Please, dear Jesus, increase in me your gifts of courage and humility so that I may give and take constructive criticism with an open and loving heart.

Discuss together what loving words you can use to help someone get back on the path to God. Consider times when you were corrected by someone and how you felt.



Look at the picture...let each family member described their thoughts to why the people are praying?