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And before honor *is* humility.**

Proverbs 15:33

**If there is a title to the topics we've been covering the last couple of months, I think we could call it**

**Christian Character Formation**

# Christian Character





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The 4th element of Christian character building is  
**Healthy Correction**

# Would healthy correction apply to any of these depictions?



**Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. Colossians 3:16**

**How would you describe healthy correction?**

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**Character formation sometimes requires healthy correction**

**- admonishing in good faith & accepting sincere concerns -**

**utilizing the interaction of the other three elements:**

**Joy, Hesed, and Group Identity.**

# Joy Hese Group Identity Healthy Correction

## Let's apply these 4 elements to Proverbs 15

*Proverbs 15: 30-33*

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# Joy Hese Group Identity Healthy Correction

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Whose heart (s)

Good news

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Listening

Life-giving reproof

Dwell among the wise

Acquire Understanding

Neglect discipline

Listen to reproof

Fear of the Lord

Instruction

Wisdom

Before honor

Comes humility

*Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I will hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;*

**Philippians 1:27**