

This Sunday we are challenged by a very practical set of readings. They are a challenge for us to be honest in our relationships. How often do we go behind someone's back to gossip, achieving no advancement, just doing damage? Today's readings challenge us to be Christ like in our relationships, not so much to achieve some satisfaction to our ego by gossip, but rather to go to someone we have a difference with and talk it out. Yes, it does not always work and if not, we are called to go with someone else with an aim to resolve the situation. It is then we take it to the community. It is interesting this is one of the founding principles to the Church's own discipline policy.

How often do we hear stories of people playing games doing damage to people's reputation, to win at all costs rather than bring a resolution to a problem? The big question today's gospel raises is whose kingdom are we building; Christ's or our own?

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