

Every Age and Degree of Understanding

by St. Benedict of Nursia

The sermon emphasizes the importance of discipline in every age and degree of understanding, tailored to individual needs and abilities.

Scripture: Proverbs 13:24, Proverbs 22:15, Ephesians 6:4, Hebrews 12:11

Topics: "Christian Discipline", "Spiritual Growth"

Description

St. Benedict of Nursia emphasizes the importance of discipline tailored to different ages and levels of understanding. He suggests that for individuals like boys, adolescents, or those who may not grasp the severity of excommunication, severe fasts or harsh beatings may be necessary to correct their behavior and bring about a change.

Transcript

Every age and degree of understanding should have its proper measure of discipline. With regard to boys and adolescents, therefore, or those who cannot understand the seriousness of the penalty of excommunication, whenever such as these are delinquent let them be subjected to severe fasts or brought to terms by harsh beatings, that they may be cured.

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