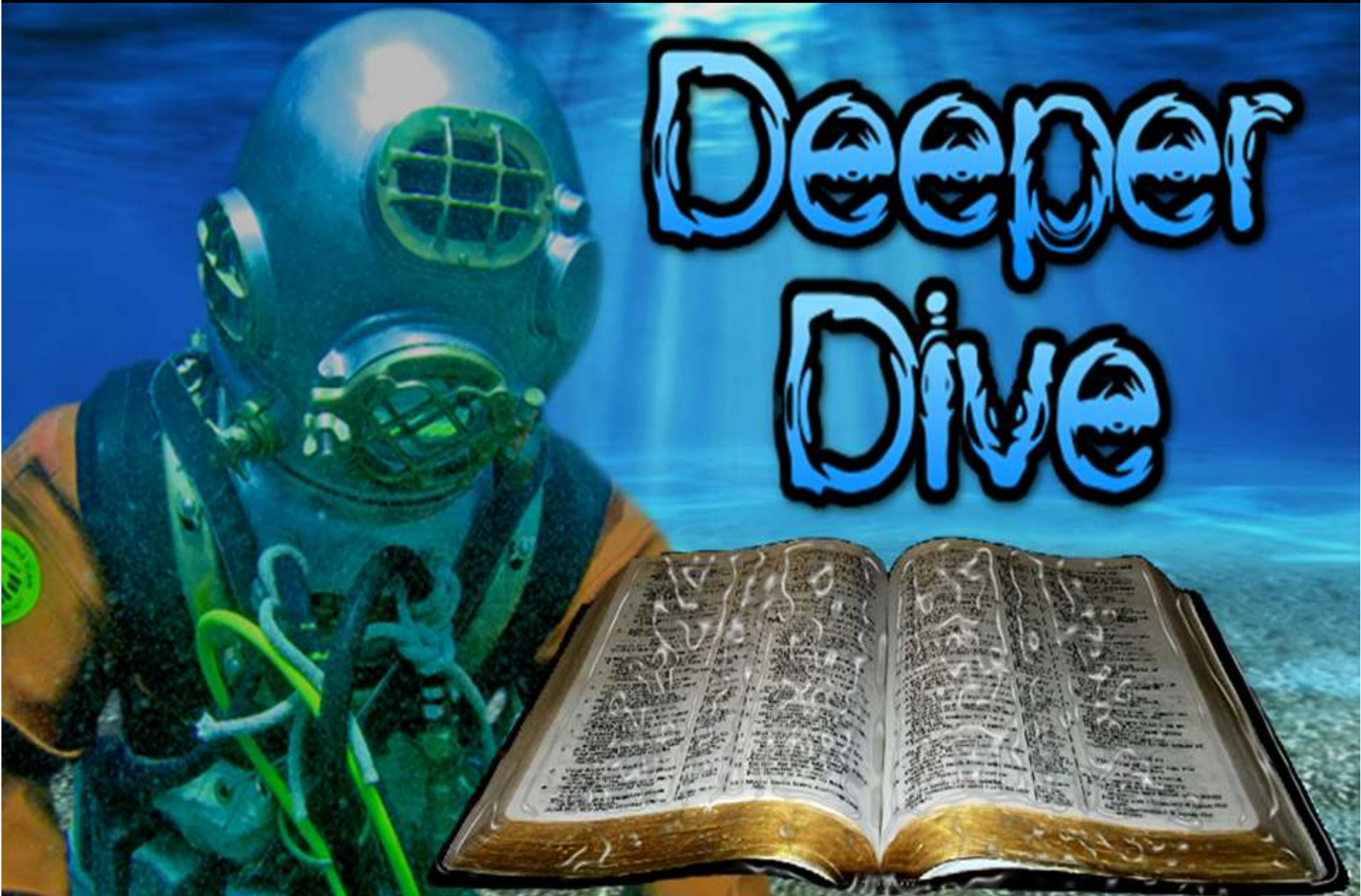


Deeper Dive



The background of the slide is a blue-tinted landscape. In the upper center, there is a bright, glowing light source, possibly the sun or moon, which casts a beam of light down onto a path that leads from the foreground towards the horizon. The foreground consists of a textured, grassy or sandy ground. The overall color palette is dominated by various shades of blue, from deep navy to bright cyan.

**How is the Church to
Deal with Sin?**

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Barney had the Best of Intentions

Three
problems



It Does not Work


Guilt is powerful and can control people

Guilty people can have two choices

Stop

Avoid

Guess what most people choose?

An underwater scene with sunlight filtering through the water, creating a bright, shimmering effect. The text is overlaid on this background.

It leads to judgment
Which
leads to hypocrisy

Matthew 7:1-5

Its Not Our Job!

**Jesus Calls Himself that
(John 8:12)**

**Jesus Called Us (the church)
that (Matthew 5:14-16)**

**His mission is Our mission
(Luke 19:10)**

An underwater scene with sunlight filtering through the water, creating a bright, ethereal atmosphere. The text is overlaid on this background.

How is the Church to
Deal with Sin?
in the Church?

An underwater scene with sunlight filtering through the water, creating a bright, shimmering effect. The water is a deep blue, and the sunlight creates a bright, circular glow in the center. The bottom of the frame shows a sandy or rocky seabed.

Dealing with Sin in the Body

Matthew 7:15-18



It's Not ...

For Unbelievers

Church Discipline

Teaching of Excommunication

to Prove Your Superiority

to win an argument

to lay guilt



It's Not ...

to pronounce Judgment

**just for the
“BIG” sins**

It's Goal is Restoration

“Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

v. 18



Remember this is
for sin
not Disagreements

Four Simple Steps

One on One

“If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over.”

v. 15

Before

Don't share it as a prayer request

**Don't call the pastor so he
can pay them a visit**

**Don't discuss it so you can get
advice on how to approach**

**Don't forget the LOVE
(Ephesians 4:2)**



After

Don't discuss it

**Don't pat yourself
on the back**

Please note: the one on one
phase may take more than
one conversation

Take a Friend

“But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that ‘every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.’”

v. 16

Take a Friend

**This is not a gang up or a
beat down**

Don't forget to pray

Choose wisely

See Previous Note

Bring in the Elders

**“If they still refuse to listen,
tell it to the church”**

v. 17

Why the Elders?

(1 Peter 5:1-3)

What will the Elders do?

Pray

Research God's Word

**Talk with the people you
talked with**

Counsel with the individual

Pagan or a Tax Collector

NOT EXCOMMUNICATION

**How did Jesus treat
"pagans and tax collectors?"**

**Stop focusing on stopping their
sin and start focusing on
restoring a relationship**

An underwater scene with a sandy bottom and sun rays filtering through the water. The text 'Operation Restoration' is overlaid in a stylized, bubbly font.

Operation Restoration