

Review:

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## Purpose of Accountability

Matthew 18:5-14

*Scripture does not contemplate the idea of “private sin” because it does not contemplate the idea of God’s people living disconnected from each other. Being created for community, our poor choices (no matter how “private”) have \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ for others.*

**Discussion 1. What does “living life totally connected and intertwined with” other Christ followers look like for you? Why does our culture find this difficult to accomplish?**

*The church, as envisioned by Jesus, is not about shaming or judging each other, but is very much about friends and family coming around me and \_\_\_\_\_ into becoming the best version of myself.*

**Discussion 2. Do you think we take sin in our life seriously enough? If so, how should that translate into how we influence each other? If not, why don’t we? What are the obstacles to understanding the true nature of sin?**

*Accountability in the church as Jesus envisioned it has little to do with holding others accountable to a set of rules and much more to do with asking others to hold me accountable to my \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_.*

**Discussion 3. Who are some of the people whom you have given permission to help you draw closer to God? How did you choose them? What are important qualities/characteristics of someone who you want to hold you accountable?**

*Christianity is necessarily a community endeavor. One of the purposes of the church is to provide \_\_\_\_\_ for one another. From time to time, we should stop and ask ourselves how we are doing on that front.*

**Discussion 4. What do you think “spiritual protection from the enemy” as provided by your community of believers means? Can you think of any practical examples?**

**Discussion 5. How does this lesson cause you to pray? How does it prepare your heart for worship?**